

Dear parents and carers

I was very pleased to attend School Council this week in a session that enabled the elected representatives of each year group to meet each other and discuss forthcoming agenda items. It is chaired by the Student Leadership Team, not me, and I think this is a very important indication of the purpose and potential impact of the Council. They are there to represent the views of students, not to follow an agenda set by me or any other staff. They are also a very important conduit for feedback to the whole student body.

We were delighted also to welcome the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to MCS – full story on p2. We secured a commitment from them both to attend a future School Council next term to hear the views of students regarding our local community. It is vitally important that students are given the opportunity to develop their engagement in local, national and world issues, and the ability to discuss local issues with elected representatives is a great example of holding people to account in our political system.

Finally, I noted in a recent letter out regarding TikTok that we would offer support and guidance sessions that anyone could choose to attend, in order to support and guide their child through the minefield of social media. Further details will follow next week about the first of these, which will happen in the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

Hugo Hutchison
Headteacher

Home to School Transport

Monmouthshire County Council have asked us to remind students using dedicated Home to School transport that wearing face coverings is a **requirement at all times**, unless you are exempt.

For those students that access Public Transport Vehicles, wearing a face covering **remains law in Wales**. You must continue to wear a face covering for the duration of your journey, unless you are exempt.

Please ensure that your child is provided with a suitable face covering.



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PARENTS' EVENINGS
01 December – Year 12
09 December – Year 10

INSET DAY
03 December

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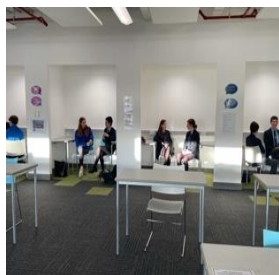
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Exam Invigilators at MCS

We have a number of vacancies for Exam Invigilators at MCS. If you feel you might like to join us, please click on the link below to access the information.

[Exam Invigilators](#)

This week we launched our Peer Mentoring Programme with Year 13 and Year 11 students. As part of the programme, students in Year 11 will be receiving support with organisation, revision strategies and timetables, as well as subject specific support from those studying A' Level courses. It was lovely to see the students deep in conversation about aspirations, next steps and the support that can be given.



We look forward to seeing the relationships developing over this academic year. This is just one example of how Year 11 students will be supported as we move towards the examination season.

REMINDER

The Y9 introduction meeting for MCS Boat Club takes place on Thurs 2nd December in the main Atrium, 3.10pm. Information about the club and our training will be provided as well as how to sign up. If you are interested, but unable to attend, please get touch via email - mcsbc.monmouth@gmail.com

Matthew Royston
Head Coach

Love Monmouth, Hate Litter



Love Monmouth Hate Litter (LMHL) is a charitable litter-picking and litter awareness group.

A team of prefects have been working with LMHL to think of ways to engage local students with this message resulting in the LMHL competition to produce something creative to deter litter dropping.

On Wednesday the 24th, we welcomed the Mayor, Cllr Christopher, and the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Dewhurst, to give the Town Council funded prizes to our three winners.

After a few words expressing their thanks for the efforts of the School, the winners - Elvie Pinkington (7BY), Liam David (8SRB) and Corey Thomas (8SRB) - were presented with their prizes. Jim and Bob Handley of LMHL were also there in attendance and they were very appreciative of the work the winners, participants and team of prefects had done.

More projects between the school and LMHL are to come. Soon the whole prefect team will be handing out the organisation's logo to local business for them to put in their shop windows and hence show their support.

The School hopes that, with LMHL, they can achieve something positive in the local community.

A WEEK IN PICTURES



After School Clubs & Activities

[AUTUMN TIMETABLE](#)