

Dear parents and carers

It's been our first full week of having everyone in school, and it has been wonderful to be able to visit a wide range of lessons and speak to students and staff about how the term has gone so far. I have also enjoyed being able to meet parents and carers at the front doors whilst on duty in the mornings and afternoons.

An important note regarding a change from Monday morning onwards: Welsh Government issued further guidance recently with regards to Covid operations in schools. [Click here](#) for the latest control decision framework. The most relevant change that we must make from Monday morning onwards is that face coverings will be optional from Monday throughout the school. Face coverings will still be welcome anywhere onsite, and the situations locally, regionally and nationally will continue to be under very frequent review. I will include any updated information in the parent newsletter in future weeks.

We have School Council elections next week, which is a vital part of school life and enabling student voice in a democratic way: please [click here](#) for a message from me regarding the election process. I am also looking forward to my first meeting with the Student Leadership Team, and you will also hear from this group regarding their plans for the year.

Kind regards  
**Hugo Hutchison**  
Headteacher

#### **New outdoor benches for students**

Two Y11 and two Y10 Construction groups were responsible for the construction of 20 new picnic benches this academic year, for use around the school, adding to the 25 built last year. An excellent job!



#### **Parking at the school**

Should you need to collect your child during the school day, please access the visitor parking on Old Dixton Road by buzzing Reception. Please do not park on the Burgage at any time (including school drop off/pick up time) as this is a vital access point for our neighbours and any emergency vehicles requiring access to these properties. Please use the bus bay parking off Dixton Road for any end of day pick-ups, after 3.15 pm, switching off your engine whilst you wait. Thank you.



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**17 September 2021**

**Key dates**  
**coming up**

**2021/2022 CALENDAR**

#### **Website Updates**

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#### **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

**23 September – Year 11**

**06 October – Year 13**

**01 December – Year 12**

**09 December – Year 10**

**OPEN EVENING**

**21<sup>ST</sup> October, 2021**

**Rowing:** It's been great to return to training this past week with our Sixth Form, Y11 and Y10 athletes all getting sessions on the river. MCS Boat Club is looking forward to a great year and we hope to have many more sunny afternoons on the Wye. Our first race is our local event, Monmouth Autumn Head, on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

