

Dear parents and carers

We have been taking groups of prospective parents on building tours after school in the past weeks. It has been a real pleasure to discuss our collective values, our collaborative approach, our ambition for all students, our focus on wellbeing and our continued adherence to a fully inclusive ethos.

One theme that came up regularly was the new Curriculum for Wales, which is a very significant change for the whole sector – both primary and secondary. Although the new curriculum is not statutory until 2023, we are planning ahead and will start rollout for Year 7 in September 2022.

The new curriculum is a 'purpose-led' curriculum, which means that when we plan what to teach, we consider how it helps our students develop into the adult citizens of the future. The 4 Core Purposes of the new curriculum will help learners to be:

- **Ambitious and capable**, ready to learn throughout their lives.
- **Enterprising and creative** contributors to life, ready to play a full part in life and work.
- **Ethical and informed** citizens of Wales and the world.
- **Healthy and confident**, ready to lead life to the full and be valued by those around them as valued members of society.

Central to our approach at MCS is a belief in the value of powerful knowledge and specific skills. Our responsibility is to ensure that students acquire knowledge, develop their skills and so have the opportunity to become capable, creative, informed and confident members of society.

I hope this brief overview of curriculum development in Wales is of interest. You can find out more on our website and in our prospectus.

Yours sincerely

Hugo Hutchison
Headteacher

REMINDER - CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Could you be the one who designs the MCS Christmas Card this year?



It's that time of year again when we are looking for student submissions of a drawing/painting/photograph entry for our Christmas Card 2021. Students should return their entries to their Form Tutor **by Thursday 11 November**.

Depending on how many entries we have to be judged, the winner will be announced in the Parent Newsletter on Friday 12 November. The winning entry will be sent to our printer, ready to be printed and posted out in December. The winning student will also receive a voucher prize.

Good luck to everyone entering the competition – we can't wait to see your cards.



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

CAROL SERVICE
08 December

Key dates coming up [2021/2022 Calendar](#)

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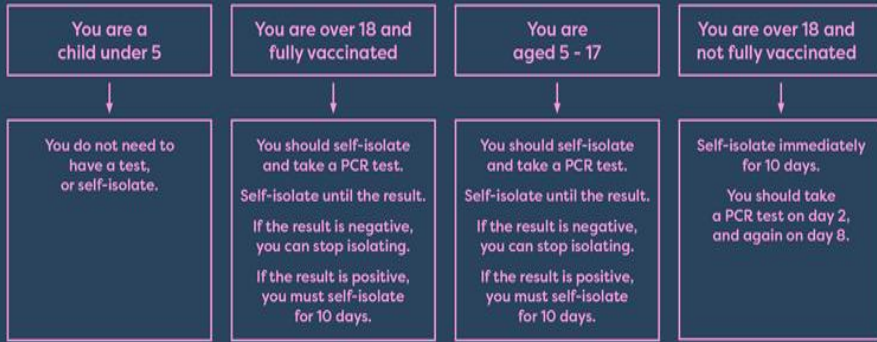
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Delighted that former student Jacob Draper is in the Welsh Hockey Team who have qualified for the World Cup. Well done!



Someone in your household has COVID symptoms or has tested positive for COVID



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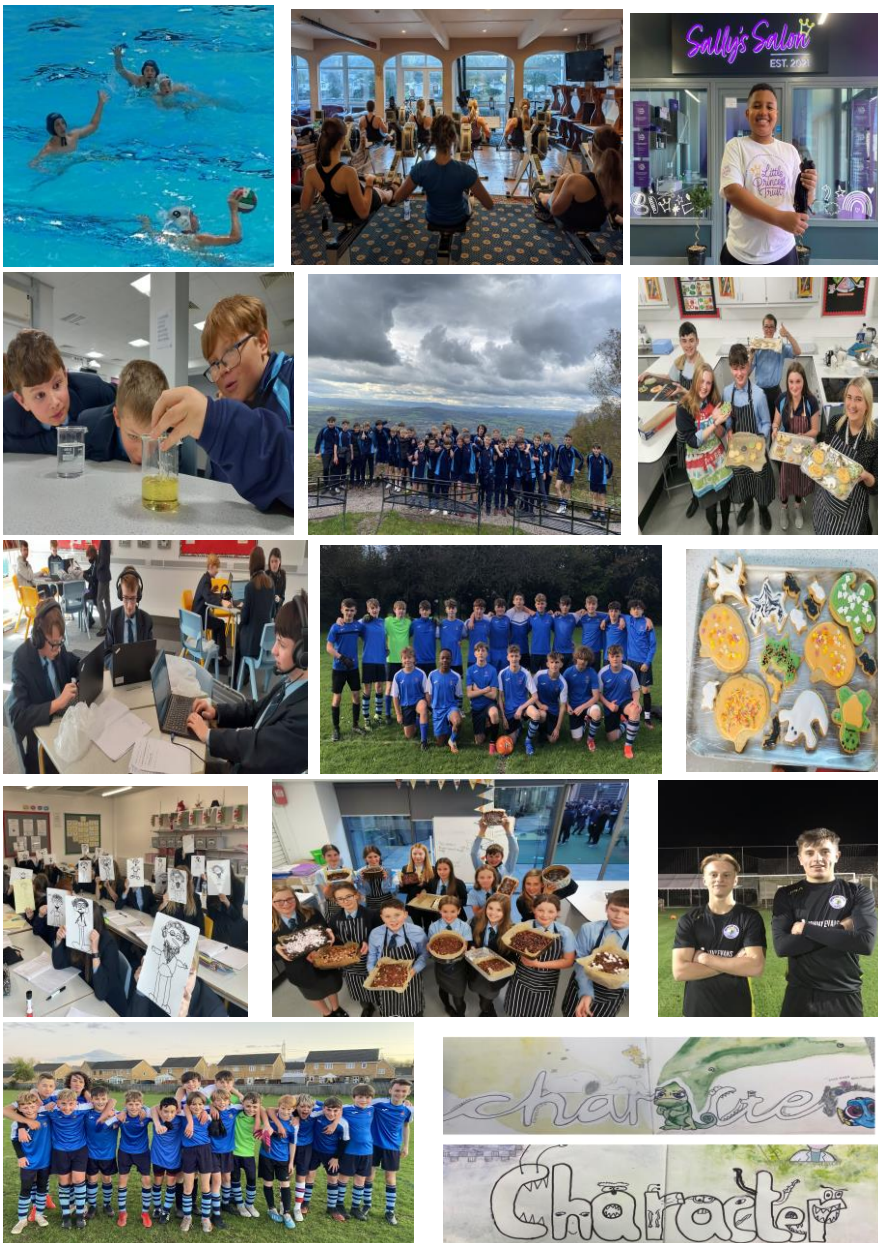
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A WEEK IN PHOTOS



After School Clubs and Activities

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