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**NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM YOUR SCHOOL** 

#### **Executive Principal's and Principal's News**

Welcome to the Autumn term. It has been a lovely first week getting to know our new Year 7 and Year 12 students, and great to see all our students back in school after the summer break



#### Welcome to our new students

On Tuesday our new Year 7 students enjoyed their first day at MAS getting to know their teachers and the school. They looked really smart in their uniforms and made an excellent start to what promises to be a great year, packed with learning and lots of fun. During their



first week they got involved in a series of bonding and team building sessions such as Dragon's Den presentations, basketball and working in teams to build bridges. The week ended with Year 7 trips to their House landmarks around London (photos to come in the next issue)

We also welcomed a record number of Year 12 students, some familiar



faces and lots of students who are new to MAS. They began their week with an assembly to introduce them to their Sixth Form journey with us. We look forward to an exciting year ahead. You can keep up with news of some of the brilliant learning and enrichment activities in our weekly newsletter and also via our social media channels, Instagram and X.

Thank you, Mrs Ruth Holden, Executive Principal Ms Melissa Gibson, Principal



### Sixth Form News



A very warm welcome back to all our Year 13 students, and an especially big welcome to our new Year 12s who have joined us from over 40 different schools. It is fantastic to see you all and we are excited for the year ahead.

We've started the year with a really positive Transition Week, giving everyone the chance to settle in, meet new people, and begin to feel part of our sixth form community. Next week, normal lessons will begin, and you'll move onto your full timetable.

There is lots to get used to in these first few weeks - EduLink, emails,

and all the general admin that comes with sixth form life — so please make sure you are checking regularly and keeping on top of everything. If you're unsure about anything at all, don't hesitate to ask questions staff and peers are here to support vou.

We also want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible achievements of last year's Year 13 students. Their results were excellent and opened doors to a wide range of universities, apprenticeships, and career pathways. We are so proud of their hard work and determination,



and they've set a brilliant example for you to follow.

We look forward to working with you all this year — let's make it a great one!





## **Year 7 start their MAS journey**

On Tuesday we welcomed our new cohort of Year 7 students to the school. They had an assembly where they received their House ties and planners and, looking really smart, they had their school photos taken. At break time they had the chance to say hello to old friends and meet new ones.













On Wednesday Year 7 spent their morning getting creative in their team-building sessions. They used their problem-solving skills to build strong bridges using just paper and sticky tape.

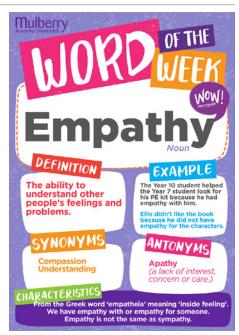












# Culture Day '25

A few moments from our fantastic Culture Day and Summer Fayre on 21st July















ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A PLACE IN YEAR 7 IN SEPTEMBER 2026?

### OPEN EVENING THURSDAY 2ND

COME AND VISIT US

**OCTOBER** 4PM-6PM

# + FOUR WEEKS OF OPEN MORNINGS

Mon 15th to Wed 17th September Mon 22nd to Wed 24th September Mon 29th September to Wed 1st October Mon 6th to Wed 8th October Please arrive by 9.15am

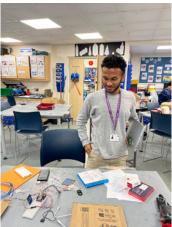
**SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER** 

9.00.am-11.00am

## Gold Crest Awards

In the last week of term, including on Culture Day, our Y12 Gold CREST students were hard at work on the experiment phase of their projects. Students working towards the Gold CREST Award carry out an extended, independent STEM project where they identify a real-world problem, plan and conduct independent research or experimentation, including a detailed risk assessment, and present their findings in a formal report. Our now Y13 students are doing a range of projects including building a life-like steering wheel for video games, determining the best gear ratios for cars, building windmills and making perfumes to sell as part of a new business.









#### MATHS PROBLEMOF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

5p, 2p and 1p coins (or a mixture of any or all of these) are used to make a total of 11p. In how many different ways can this be done?

#### **ANSWER: 11**

With no 5p coins, there could be 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 2p coins, i.e. 6 possible ways.

With one 5p coin, there could be 0, 1, 2 or 3 2p coins, i.e. 4 possible ways.

With two 5p coins, there can be no 2p coins, i.e. 1 possible way.