# MVC Newsletter

#### MELBOURN VILLAGE COLLEGE

#### Dear Parents /Carers

This week has been packed with exciting opportunities for our students. Our Year 10 cohort had a fantastic visit to CRC as part of their Post-16 Taster experience. It was a valuable chance for them to explore college life and start thinking about their next steps after MVC. I particularly enjoyed hearing stories from the students who took part in the bricklaying workshops—they clearly had a great time getting hands-on experience and learning new skills.

On Tuesday, I had the absolute pleasure of watching our Trust wide 'Panathlon' swimming relay races. It was a joyful and uplifting event, and I was so proud of our students for their enthusiasm and teamwork. I was poolside with Mrs Coghlan cheering them on every stroke of the way!

Year 10 students have also now begun their 'Project 826', which launched this week with Mr Luxton's parent event on Tuesday. Students started their 'Stepping Up' sessions on Friday morning, which will mark an exciting step forward in their key stage 4 journey ahead of Year 10 mock exams next week.

There is so much to celebrate in this week's newsletter. MVC students continue to represent the very best of our community, showing values of resilience, aspiration, and togetherness.

As we enjoy the recent spell of hot weather, I'd like to remind all parents and carers to ensure that students come to school with suncream applied and a refillable water bottle to help them stay safe and hydrated throughout the day; We encourage students to refill their water bottles during breaktime and lunchtime.

I hope you all enjoy the sunshine this weekend.

# **KEY DATES**

20 JUNE 2025

**23 - 28 June** Year 8 and 9 Germany Trip

**24 June** GCSE ART Exhibition

**24 -27 June** Year 10 MEP Learning Week

**26 June** Year 11 Prom

**4 July** Year 10 Reports to Parents

**2 - 13 July** Year 9 MEP China Trip

**6-8 July** DofE Silver Expedition Qualifier

**7 July** Year 7 Sports Day

**8 July** Year 6 Parents' Evening Year 8 Sports Day

9 **July** Year 6 Induction Day

**10 July** Year 9 Sprots Day



#### **Celebrating Success**

Ellie won the Under 18's girls grade 4 at Carisbrook Tennis Club, winning 4-2 4-2 against the 2nd seed in the final. It was a very close, high intensity match against a very good opponent. This is Ellie's only 2nd win at a grade 4 level. Ellie has been working really hard with her coaches on her technique so has not played many tournaments this year. Over the May half term she played an under 18's grade 4 and came 2nd. She then had a tough draw in her next tournament playing the 1st seed in the 1st round. She narrowly lost that match but went on to win the consolation final. Last weekend Ellie played in an under 16's grade 4 and finished 3rd, again narrowly losing to the 1st seed in the semi-final but then winning the 3rd/4th playoff. All the hard work she had been putting in has really paid off. We are very proud of her.



#### Year 10 Prom Fundraising

Layla, Lola, Lottie, Lacey, Barney, Carra, Katie and Ruby from Year 10 kicked off the Prom fundraising by using their initiative and approaching the Melbourn fete committee and securing a stall. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the dedication they are showing to



supporting their prom and securing a wonderful evening for their year group. Future event planners in the making. The girls said: 'We wanted to start raising money for the prom so that we can make it a really memorable night and celebrate us completing our GCSE's and working hard'.

## PARENTAL LETTERS



Key letters sent to parents and carers are available to download from our website <u>here</u>.

#### **TUTEES OF THE WEEK**

Our tutees of the week receive hot chocolate and marshmallows on Wednesday or Friday morning as a reward for having a great week. All pupils receive a certificate to take home.

First Name	Year Group
Рорру	7
Khadija	7
Elsie	7
Arthur	7
Sophie	8
Isobel	8
Florrie	8
Lily	8
Annabelle	8
Lottie	8
Danny	9
Josh	9
Luke	9
Emily	9
Ellie	10
Tyler	10
Imogen	10

#### Year 10 MEP London Trip



On the 10<sup>th</sup> June, our Year 10 MEP students had the exciting opportunity to embark on a university day at the London School of Economics (LSE). They explored degree programmes in Chinese studies, including a unique joint course with Fudan University. The students joined an engaging session led by Dr McLean, which focused on communication, language, and identity. They also enjoyed a campus tour and counted LSE's many Nobel Prize winners—an inspiring reminder of global impact. The visit gave students valuable insights into university life and inspired many to continue their journey in Chinese language and cultural studies.



#### **Panathlon Swimming Gala**

On Tuesday 17th June, some of our Year 7 students took part in the panathlon swimming event held at the newly refurbished MVC pool. There were 10 races that ranged from 25m freestyle to relay races to treasure hunts. The students worked well together as a team, demonstrating great determination and some excellent swimming. The team came 3<sup>rd</sup> and were awarded bronze medals, which will sit nicely alongside the silver medals won at the sports hall pantathlon games that we won earlier in the year. Our year 9 & 10 leaders helped to run the event, by booking schools in, keeping score and aiding pupils in the water.





#### **Primary Football Event**

A range of primary schools from across South Cambridgeshire took part in the year <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> girls south cambs football tournament held at MVC on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Our Year 9 and10 sports leaders were on hand to help officiate and score the event.





# **MVC Creative Writing Club**

We are proud to share the impressive artwork and image art which was produced by two Year 9 students in the creative writing club. The afterschool club is held on a Monday at 3.00pm.

#### Artwork by Evan Year 9



Image artwork by Emily Year 9

# **Duke of Edinburgh Silver Practice Expedition**



Twenty of our Year 10 students embarked on a 2 day / 2 night trip to the Chilton hills to complete their DoE silver practice award.

We are delighted to announce that all 20 students completed this expedition confidently and will progress onto the silver qualifier expedition in July.



#### **Community News**



## Open Morning Farm Club Elsworth Thursday 26th June 1030am - 12noon

We are delighted to invite you to visit Farm Club in Elsworth to tour the site and learn about our new provision!



Visit our website for more information and to make a referral to Farm Club

Looking for support with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities?

Everything you need to know is in the newly refreshed SEND Information Hub (local offer)

send.cambridgeshire.gov.uk



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