# **MVC Newsletter**



#### MELBOURN VILLAGE COLLEGE

27 JUNE 2025

As we approach the end of the academic year, I wanted to share a few exciting developments and recent events here at school.

Firstly, we are pleased to have launched our Personal Development Strategy with staff, laying the groundwork for the year ahead. A central part of this is our new careers programme, MVC Futures, which will help equip students with the knowledge, skills, and experiences they need to thrive beyond school. We're excited about the opportunities this will provide. Further information will be shared with all parents.

This week, we also held our September Ready Evening on Tuesday. It was fantastic to welcome so many parents into school as we begin preparations for the new academic year. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the evening such a success.

We were also delighted to welcome Councillor Adam Bostanci to school, who met with Mrs Edwards and I to discuss long-term sustainability goals and the vital role of public transport in Cambridgeshire. These conversations are important as we continue to consider how we can support more environmentally friendly travel for our school community. Following this, we have been invited to the opening of the newly upgraded walking and cycling pathway, delivered by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP). This new route provides a safer and more sustainable link between Melbourn and the railway station, a fantastic investment for local families.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to updating you further as we head into the final weeks of term.

Rachel Spencer Principal

#### **KEY DATES**

2 - 13 July Year 9 MEP China Trip

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

9 July Year 6 Induction Day

14 - 18 July Work Experience Week

15 July Year 8 & 9's Sports Day

16 July Year 7's Sports Day

9 October Open Evening 5-7pm







#### **National Translation Bee Final**



We are incredibly proud of our four students – Florence B., Liam M., Harvey E., and Olly J, who represented our school at the National Translation Bee Final. This year marked the first time Mandarin was included in the competition, making their participation especially significant.

Our students showed great courage and enthusiasm, speaking confidently in front of students, parents, and teachers from across the country. Although the competition focused on short sentence translation, our pupils are already capable of translating much more complex material – a testament to their hard work and dedication.

It was a fantastic experience, and with this valuable insight, we're confident our students will go from strength to strength in future competitions.



## PARENTAL LETTERS



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

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

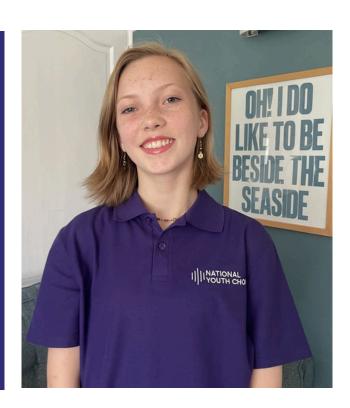
Our tutees of the week receive hot chocolate and marshmallows on Wednesday or Friday morning as a reward for having a great week. All pupils receive a certificate to take home.

First Name	Year Group
Kayden	7
Pip	7
Ollie	7
Jessica	7
Zachary	8
Arthur	8
Alice	8
Sophie	8
Adyan	8
Max	9
Rosie	9
Lily	9
Martha	9
Addi	9
Ellie	10
Andrew	10

## Celebrating Musical Success – Lola Hanna Joins the National Youth Choir

We are thrilled to share the news that Lola Hanna has successfully auditioned for the National Youth Choir of Great Britain earlier this year – a tremendous achievement! Lola will be attending her first residential course with the choir this summer, which will culminate in an inspiring performance at Coventry Cathedral.

What an exciting journey ahead congratulations, Lola





#### **ACES Update from the CAMS Trust**

'We are very excited to share the news that the Department for Education has approved plans for schools in the ACES Academies Trust to join the CAM Academy Trust family. We expect this to happen sometime early in 2026.

There will be no changes to the way our own schools are run, as a result of this proposal, but we are excited about the additional opportunities for partnership this move will bring.'

Best wishes Suzie Sharpe

#### A Night to Remember - Year 11 Prom at the Hilton Hotel

We could not be prouder of our Year 11 students and the way they presented themselves at their prom on 26th June, held at the Hilton Hotel in Cambridge. It was a truly special evening – one filled with laughter, celebration, and a deep sense of unity as students marked the end of their time at Melbourn Village College.

Dressed to impress and full of spirit, our students danced the night away, creating lasting memories with friends and staff alike. The evening was a joyful celebration of everything they have achieved, both individually and together, and a fitting tribute to their journey through the college.

Congratulations to the Class of 2025 – we wish you all the very best for the future!









#### **MVC Trip to the Rhineland - June 2025**

From the 23rd to the 27th of June, Year 8 and 9 students from MVC embarked on a five-day educational and cultural adventure to the Rhineland region of Germany.

The trip began with a poignant stop at the famous Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery in Ypres, Belgium, followed by a visit to the Menin Gate, where students reflected on the sacrifices of the First World War.

Once in Germany the students explored the historic Marksburg Castle, one of the bestpreserved castles on the Rhine. They enjoyed shopping and sightseeing in the picturesque town of Rüdesheim, followed by a scenic river cruise along the Rhine, taking in the stunning views of vineyards, cliffs, and castles.

Highlights included a visit to the impressive Koblenz Fortress and the point where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. Students also viewed the monumental statue of Germania, commemorating the unification of Germany in the 19th century.

The trip concluded with a full day of fun at Phantasialand theme park, where students enjoyed rides, shows, and a well-earned break. Everyone had a fantastic time and gained a deeper understanding of European history through first-hand experiences. The trip was a great success and will no doubt remain a memorable highlight of the school year.







#### **Community News**



# Meldreth station link community event

Join us for a children's activity trail and light refreshments at our community event to celebrate the opening of the Meldreth station link, part of the Melbourn greenway.



Station Road, Melbourn Wednesday 16 July 4-5:30pm

www.greatercambridge.org.uk/melbourn-greenway

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