MVC Newsletter

MELBOURN VILLAGE COLLEGE

11TH JULY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we head into another weekend of beautiful hot weather, I hope you and your families are able to enjoy some well-earned rest and sunshine. With the warmer conditions set to continue, I would like to remind you that students have recently taken part in assemblies focused on water safety. Should you be heading out to enjoy the outdoors, especially near rivers, lakes or the coast, please do take extra care.

This week has been another busy and exciting one in school. A huge well done to all our students who took part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award expedition. Their determination, teamwork and resilience were impressive, particularly in the heat. We are very proud of them for rising to the challenge and representing the school so well.

We were also delighted to welcome our new Year 6 families on Tuesday evening for our transition evening, followed by our annual transition day on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see our future Year 7 students getting a feel for life at our school, meeting staff and making new friends. The energy and enthusiasm they brought with them were fantastic, and we look forward to seeing them again in September.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing you a safe and sunny weekend.

|Mrs Spencer Principal

KEY DATES

2 - 13 July Year 9 MEP China Trip

14 - 18 July Work Experience Week

15 July Year 8 & 9's Sports Day

1**6 July** Year 7's Sports Day

23 September Post 16 Information Evening

2 October Whole School Photography

9 October Open Evening 5-7pm

15 October Pupil Flu Vaccinations (session 1)

5 November Pupil Flu Vaccinations (session 2)





D of E Silver Qualifier Expedition

The students arrived in the beautiful Peak District in the pouring rain and everyone was very grateful for their water proofs ! The full D of E experience!



Up at 5am and all packed and all away by 7am as the students look forward to a lovely day hiking. The sun and the smiles are out ! The is a huge accomplishment for our students - they have dealt with the challenge amazingly .



All students passed their Silver Expedition! An amazing achievement, we are very proud of them. Well done.



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
Lily-Rose	7
Maximus	8
Jack	8
Honour	8
Tilio	8
Hadley	8
James	8
Luke	9
Thomas	10
Esmie	10
Jack	10



MEP in China

Our MEP students have enjoyed their first week in China, and what an incredible journey it has been! From dynamic Mandarin lessons to immersive cultural activities. Our students have made the most of every moment. Our morning classes focused on practical and engaging themes like sports, food, and shopping topics that came to life during our afternoon experiences. The enthusiasm and curiosity from the group have been nothing short of inspiring, and we are especially proud of how well our students are representing MVC. Their politeness, dedication, and impressive Mandarin skills have earned praise from the local teachers. One standout moment? Students tackled a challenging paragraph writing task using complex Chinese characters and completed it in just 10 minutes! Beyond the classroom, our students have shown deep respect and adaptability as they navigate cultural differences. Their willingness to connect, learn, and step outside their comfort zones speaks volumes. Highlights from July 5–7: July 5: After a morning of Mandarin lessons, students made traditional Chinese fans and dumplings. In the afternoon, they visited a local Chinese high school and connected with local

students. July 6: Morning Mandarin was followed by a fascinating introduction to Peking Opera in the afternoon, with a friendly basketball game in the evening. July 7: Students learned sports-related Mandarin vocabulary, practiced traditional Chinese exercises in the afternoon, and capped off the day with a movie night.



















Dexter's Outdoor Season Success in Triple Jump

Dexter has made an impressive start to his outdoor season, competing for the U17M team at Cambridge and Coleridge, notably as one of the youngest athletes in the squad. This season, he took on the new challenge of the triple jump, and he's already showing remarkable progress. At the recent competition in Peterborough, Dexter broke his personal best twice, finishing in second place with a new personal best of 10.36m. This is a significant improvement from the 9.93m he recorded at the start of the season. A testament to his hard work and potential.





Date for your diary

Melbourn Village College Open Evening

Join us to explore our vibrant school community





9 October 2025 @ 5:00-7:00 P.M. PRINCIPAL PRESENTATION @ 6:00 P.M.

Community News - Meldreth Station Link

Melbourn greenway

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



GREATER CAMBRIDGE PARTNERSHIP

We are planning a community event with a children's activity trail, history exhibition and light refreshments. We will be meeting at the southern entrance to the path closest to Melbourn, where there will be a few words from local dignitaries before we set off along the path. Please note we'll capture images of our guests travelling along the path. Please see the attached image marking the meeting location. During the event, we would love to capture some short interview snippets asking students about how the pathway has made a difference to their journeys to school.

