

11 July 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

It was a warm but enjoyable end to the week with lots of great things happening around the school.

Mrs George led the assemblies which focused on how a person's childhood and previous experiences shape who they are in later life. She shared stories from when she was at school and how they forged her character and led to her wanting to make a difference to children's lives through teaching. It gave the children a chance to reflect on their lives so far and how they have shaped the person they are or want to be.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs Thomas organised a music event in the library and the talent on display was sensational. I saw John C perform an awe-inspiring guitar solo, Delin F perform two outstanding pieces of music on the piano and watched a duet from Lily J and Evie C performing a song from Disney's, Tangled. Seeing the performing arts flourish this year has been wonderful and I look forward to seeing this continue next year which will culminate in a performance of We Will Rock You – you're not going to want to miss that!

Another highlight for me was handing out the prestigious achievement badges for Sparx Reader, Maths and Science. These badges are given to the individual student in each year group who has completed the most independent work on each of the platforms. I thoroughly enjoyed visiting the students in their lessons to hand these out, congratulate them and ensure that their efforts were recognised by their peers with a round of applause. Congratulations to each of the students below:

English badges – Dib B (Y8), Evelyn J (Y9), Delin F (Y9), Imogen C (Y9), Bethan H (Y9)

Maths badges – Tyler N (Y7), Dib B (Y8), Sebi C (Y9), Perfect D-J (Y10), Jia Xi C (Y11)

Science badges – Serban P (Y7), Hasan R-B (Y8), Lucy G (Y9), Euan L (Y10), Daisy D (Y11)

Congratulations to 8 Year 7 students who competed in the county round of the Athletics Championships on Monday afternoon. There were a number of excellent performances from our students against very tough competition from across the county. A huge congratulations to Sophie who placed first in both her heat and final and is now the 200m county champion!!

On Thursday evening we celebrated a year of exceptional hard work from our Year 11 students at their Prom. It was great to see them arriving in a whole range of fancy cars, motorcycles and even trucks! It was also lovely to see so many parents and carers waiting at the venue to watch the children arrive in their amazing outfits. Mr Roberts, Mr

Stanger, Mr Eldridge, Miss Byrne as well as many other staff all did a great job of decorating the venue and ensuring that the children all experienced an evening to remember. The staff at the venue said that our children were the politest and best-behaved students of all that have attended a Prom there this year.

All Year 11 students were then invited to attend a final leavers' assembly on Friday afternoon where we celebrated their time at Montsaye before giving them the opportunity to sign shirts and have an ice cream. It was a lovely end to a year where they have all worked incredibly hard. We look forward to celebrating with them on results day.

On Friday, Year 9 students all took part in a multi-agency day where they took part in a series of workshops led by agencies such as Engage, Aquarius, probation, youth offending services, police and many more. These were important sessions which covered many of the topics on the statutory RSE curriculum for which the initial feedback from students was very positive.

The top praise point earners this week were as follows:

Year	3 rd place	2 nd place	1 st place	Average points
7	Christy J – 26	Matha G – 26	Louise F – 31	8 points
8	Adonai B – 14	Romaine A – 14	Olivia E – 15	4 points
9	Alfie M – 21	Delin F – 23	Lewis C – 31	5 points
10	Euan L – 14	Amelia C – 14	Alex B – 31	4 points

The most recent attendance leagues are below:

Premier League	Form	% attendance	Position	Championship	Form	% attendance	Position	League 1	Form	% attendance	Position	League 2	Form	% attendance	Position
1	7JOB	95.6%	=	1	7JEL	92.8%	↓ 1	1	8AWH	90.9%	↑ 2	1	8EBL	86.8%	=
2	10IJA	95.2%	=	2	9LHM	92.8%	=	2	10MS	90.7%	=	2	9RL	86.7%	=
3	7KL	94.1%	↑ 2	3	9LUC	92.4%	↑ 1	3	9ELB	90.4%	↓ 2	3	11ABI	0.0%	=
4	7EJG	94.0%	↓ 1	4	10SPU	91.8%	↑ 3	4	9VPA	89.6%	↑ 2	4	11PHM	0.0%	=
5	7TRC	93.9%	↓ 1	5	10SEC	91.7%	=	5	10LFE	89.5%	↓ 1	5	11CDA	0.0%	=
6	8DAS	93.9%	=	6	7ZHD	91.7%	↓ 3	6	9SCO	88.9%	↑ 1	6	11SLY	0.0%	=
7	7REL	93.6%	=	7	10NG	91.5%	↓ 1	7	8JJW	88.6%	↓ 2	7	11MAS	0.0%	=
8	8GDB	93.2%	=	8	9SC1	91.5%	↑ 1	8	10AJT	87.2%	=	8	11FAL	0.0%	=
9	8MCO	93.0%	↑ 1	9	8ERO	91.0%	↓ 1								

Looking ahead to next week we look forward to welcoming our new year 7s into school for their transition day. They will meet their new form tutors, experience a range of different activities and learn a lot about the next steps in their school journey. On Tuesday we host careers events for years 10 and 12 and year 10 have the opportunity to see what life is like in our sixth form at their taster event on Wednesday. We have another much anticipated drama club performance in the library at lunchtime on Thursday, and A SEND drop in session is being held in the library on Thursday between 4pm and 6pm for any parents or carers that would like to attend. To finish off the week, year 7 have their first Character Development Day on Friday which is set to be full of engaging and exciting activities and workshops.

Finally, with the weather remaining warm please ensure you send your child/children to school with a refillable water bottle and wearing suitable sun protection, especially with sports days and end of term activities in the last week of term.



Yours faithfully,

Mr B Baines
Principal

Important Information

Early finish on last day of term – Friday 25th July 2025

Montsaye academy will close to all students on Friday 25th July 2025. On the final day, students will arrive to school at the normal time and will be dismissed at 12:30 pm. Bus companies that collect students from the school site have been informed and will be collected by their usual buses. If your child walks home they will be able to leave the school site at 12.30pm or if you normally collect your child, please pick them up outside of the school gates on Greening Road at this time.

We look forward to ending the term on a positive note, celebrating the hard work and achievements of all our students.