

27 February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Students have made an excellent start to this short five-week term, and it has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and focus across the school.

This week, Mr Stanger led assemblies to introduce our new rank order system for student progress. As part of this, anonymised student league tables will be displayed on our new boards in the Humanities corridor. These will be updated after each reporting window so students can track their progress and be motivated to move up the leaderboard.

We were also incredibly proud to present, for the first time ever at Montsaye, our live performance of *We Will Rock You* this week. The cast and crew delivered a fantastic show last night, greeted with brilliant feedback from all who attended and will repeat their performance tonight. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in bringing this production to life, with special appreciation for Mrs Childs, Mrs George, Mrs Thomas, Ms Walker and Mr Hutchinson for their hard work and leadership.

This week saw our first Proud Table of the term, with many students sharing exceptional work from their books; a real testament to their continued effort and dedication in lessons. We look forward to celebrating even more excellent work over the coming weeks.

We are also delighted to share that Montsaye is now officially a member of the Anti-Bullying Alliance. Our student Anti-Bullying Ambassadors will be delivering resources and leading awareness-raising activities shortly as part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring all students feel safe and supported.

Next week marks the beginning of the final set of mock examinations for Years 11 and 13 before their summer exams. We wish all our students the very best and encourage them to continue working hard as they enter this important stage of preparation. Year 11 have only 38 school days left until their actual GCSE exams so attendance to school is vital, and they are making full use of the valuable preparation that their teachers are delivering in lessons.

A reminder that, during the mock examination period, the school day will be adjusted. Lunch will take place at 12:30pm rather than 1:30pm to support the smooth running of the exam schedule.

Our top pledge point earners this week were:

Year	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	1 <sup>st</sup> place	Average points
7	Elle D – 23	Ella L – 24	Olivia May J – 24	11 points
8	William B – 22	Ade O – 29	Elspeth B – 29	9 points
9	Izzy P – 23	Tamzin P – 24	Dib B – 26	10 points

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10	Mylah C – 20	Roos V – 22	Ella D – 25	9 points
11	Sophie B – 21	Morwenna O – 22	Annabel B – 29	6 points

Our top attending tutor groups this week were:

1<sup>st</sup> place – 12JAD – 99.07%

2<sup>nd</sup> place – 11RKU – 97.78%

3<sup>rd</sup> place – 8KLA – 97.69%

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. We hope you have a pleasant weekend.

Parents, carers, staff, students, governors – We are Montsaye.

Best Wishes,

Montsaye Academy Team

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