

13 March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and rewarding week at Montsaye, and we are delighted to share some of the fantastic achievements and experiences that have taken place across our school community.

Our Year 11 and Year 13 students have now completed their second week of mock examinations. We would like to thank them for their hard work, maturity and commitment throughout this important period. Their focus has been excellent, and we are incredibly proud of the determined approach they have shown as they prepare for their summer exams.

In sport, our Year 8 boys' football team secured a brilliant 3–2 victory over Bishop Stopford in the district league. The team displayed fantastic teamwork and determination throughout the match, and we congratulate them on a well-deserved win.

We would also like to thank all students who visited and purchased books from our school book fair. Thanks to your support, Scholastic have donated £168 for the school to spend on new books for our library. These will be available for students to borrow very soon, and we look forward to seeing even more enthusiastic reading across the school.

This week also featured two exciting careers-focused trips. On Tuesday, our Year 9 students visited the University of Northampton for a Careers Information Day. Students enjoyed a guided campus tour, explored learning spaces and accommodation, and took part in a series of interactive workshops centred on future career pathways, salary expectations and essential employability skills. Their behaviour throughout the visit was exemplary, and they represented Montsaye exceptionally well.

On Thursday, a group of Year 10 students visited Tresham College in Corby for a hands-on introduction to vocational and apprenticeship routes. Students had the opportunity to tour real workshop environments and learn more about pathways in plumbing, electrical installation, hairdressing and other trades. Both visits provided invaluable insight into the range of opportunities available to students after Year 11, and we were impressed by the enthusiasm and curiosity shown throughout.

Friday saw the return of Orange Day, one of our annual fundraising events. Students were invited to wear an orange item of clothing, and we are pleased to have raised funds for Youth Works Northamptonshire, an organisation supporting young people across our county. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped make the day a success.

Principal: Mr Ben Baines



Our top pledge point earners this week were:

Year	3 rd place	2 nd place	1 st place	Average points
7	Tyler S – 19	Ruvarashe M – 19	Beau C – 25	9 points
8	Cerys F – 22	Lilly-May C – 23	Ade O - 24	8 points
9	Evie V B – 17	Toby T – 18	Dylan M – 19	8 points
10	Alex J – 19	Roos V – 20	Bethan H – 22	7 points
11	Edison B – 5	Liam C – 7	Noah C – 8	2 points

Our top attending tutor groups this week were:

1st place – 11ZHA – 99.38%

2nd place – 13MTH – 98.68%

3rd place – 11RKU – 98.52%

Finally, this week we planted a selection of seeds in our biodiversity area in memory of Lawrie Dale, a much-loved former headteacher and valued member of our community. We hope that, in time, these will grow into a lasting memorial within our newly developed greenspace - an enduring tribute that we know his family will deeply appreciate.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

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

Best wishes,

Montsaye Academy Team