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Dear Families

Hot chocolate with the head

Each week I meet with a group of students for a hot chocolate and a chat - this morning it was wonderful to meet a group of year 9 students who have all joined us over the last few terms from other schools and even other countries. It can be hard to move schools, so it was lovely to hear how well they have settled into MECE and some of the similarities and differences between their previous schools and ours. Most of them had come from much larger schools and appreciate the smaller classes and understanding teachers that they have here at MECE.

Attendance

Yesterday afternoon we held our first reward event for the students who were successful in the uniform and attendance reward card lottery. The Christmas film 'Elf' was enjoyed with some drinks, snacks, and year 11 students will be celebrating with a reward breakfast. There has been a small dip in attendance as we move towards the final days of term so do keep on track next week so that we can end the term on a high point.

Congratulations

This week we send our congratulations to Miss Bliss who has been awarded her National Professional Qualification for Headship. In a small school such as ours, leaders have to be versatile and Miss Bliss has a huge number of important roles including: Deputy Headteacher, Designated Safeguarding Lead, oversight of standards, exams and reporting and also responsibility for the Curriculum which includes writing - and often rewriting - the timetable. We all hugely benefit from her expertise, commitment, and knowledge of the MECE community. If you would like to recognise the achievement of any member of staff at the school do contact us on MECEoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org

Final week arrangements

Do be aware that usual lessons will be continuing right up to the end of term with a small hiatus in the middle of the week for our Christmas festivities: on Wednesday afternoon there will be an extended lunch break for Christmas dinner followed by the Santa Run House event in the afternoon. Full details will be shared in the tutor time briefing slides on Monday. On Wednesday students may wear MECE PE kit or School uniform with a Christmas jumper as an optional festive extra! There are still some tickets available for either night of the school show on Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 December at 7pm do come along it is shaping up to be a fantastic event. Thank you to Mr Harte and Mrs Brown for giving up their weekend for the final rehearsals.

Term ends on Friday 20 December at 1pm.



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Best wishes

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Mrs Bowers
Headteacher



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