



# MAIDEN ERLEGH

CHILTERN EDGE

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Dear Parents & Carers

It is always lovely to welcome back students after the holidays and see them refreshed and ready for another term's learning. This week has been no exception with an overwhelmingly positive start to term across the year groups. Walking around this week the team and I have enjoyed dropping into lessons on topics as varied as The Illuminati, number lines, production of table lamps, design & critique of warmups, awareness around gambling and wire modelling in Art. Lessons have been calm and purposeful with students engaged in their tasks.

Running alongside this have been Year 7 Common Assessments in English, Maths and Science. These are short in class assessments that have been designed in conjunction with teams from across the Trust's secondary schools to assess current attainment of all Year 7 students at Maiden Erlegh Trust schools. MECE students have approached them with maturity and determination to succeed, and we look forward to reviewing their achievements in the upcoming weeks.

I was delighted to hear of successes within Maths for students of Year 7 and Year 8 who sat the UK Maths Challenge last term with eight receiving Bronze, eleven Silver and three Gold. Two students, David and Jayden have been invited to the National Finals due to their outstanding scores in this round – best of luck boys, MECE are right behind you!



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Term 6 sees the launch of “Get Set for Year 10” with Year 9 students. This programme of events includes PPEs in Core subjects, workshops on effective revision techniques, taster sessions in their allocated GCSE option subjects and a reflection and goal setting process to springboard into Year 10.

Year 11 exams plod on – with Maths, English, Geography, History and French at the forefront this week. It was a pleasure to welcome students to revision sessions over the holidays and in vacant slots in their timetables this week to support their final preparations in those subjects.

Thank you, as ever, to staff for giving up their time to provide these opportunities. Additionally, students from Years 10 and 11 who have opted to take additional GCSEs in Russian, Italian or Polish have had their listening and reading papers– thanks must be extended to Mrs Reilly (Exams Officer) and her team of invigilators who have ensured that all exams have progressed without hitch.

Sadly, the very British summer weather has called a halt to all our planned fixtures this week, so no news to bring from the sports fields. However, we have had some further great offers of support from local businesses who have donated towards providing kit for Sports Leaders and School Ambassadors to wear during Leadership events as well as new equipment to bolster our supplies. Keep an eye on our Social Media platforms over the next few weeks where we will be thanking these companies for their generous support.

This weekend sees the Sonning Common “On Yer Bike” event – a great community initiative to promote healthy activity and raise money for local charities. I know lots of our families will be involved and we look forward to seeing pictures over the next week.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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