

Melton Vale Sixth Form College Newsletter

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Dear MV parents and carers

This time of year is always bittersweet as we support our year 13 students with their exams. We live with them through the anxiety and tears ahead of the exam, to the smiles and relief when they come out and realise it wasn't as bad as feared! They are making us proud every day with their conduct and their attitude and we will miss them. After half-term they are officially on study leave, but some teachers may be requesting that they come in for extra lessons and they should take full advantage of every offer of help. For year 12, we were equally proud of how seriously

they took their internal exams and they will receive their results after half-term in time for Progress Review conversations on Thursday 19th June – we will send more information when we return from next week's break.

In the meantime, I hope that they all find some time for a rest and some joy next week before we see year 13 students for round two!

Nicki Dartnell
Headteacher

FOOTBALL TEAM

We have had a great start to the Summer term with our newly formed MV16 football team. We have been lucky enough to have Friday afternoon sunshine on the Melton Town pitch each week, culminating in a fantastic 2-0 win against Harington School on Friday 2nd May. Our year 12s are looking forward to planning for our next fixture!



OXFORD UNIVERSITY

We had a successful visit to St Edmund Hall at Oxford University on 30th April. The day involved an informative introduction to life at the university, the entry requirements and clear advice on preparation - keep working on those Super Curricular activities!

The students also enjoyed a tour of the college in the sunshine and a lovely lunch. They found out about university study and life from the student ambassadors and the friendly Calum, the outreach coordinator for the college.

We finished off with a tour of some of the sights of Oxford city centre, which looked amazing in the sunshine and we had some free time to explore the fantastic indoor market. A great day was had by all!





YEAR 13 LEAVERS' LUNCH

The sun shone as we said our formal farewells to year 13 on Friday 9th May. We wanted an opportunity before the exams began on the Monday to reiterate what a pleasure it has been to support them in this final phase of their formal education and to celebrate what lovely young adults they have become. Thank you to Dana and her team for the picnic lunch boxes and well done to all award winners- staff had so many students that they wanted to nominate that we have now run out of MV teddies! We hope that they will wear their MV "Class of 2025" badges and remember us, we always love to know how they are getting on. We are looking forward to seeing as many as possible at the Prom on Friday 27th June for a chance to decompress once exams are over.

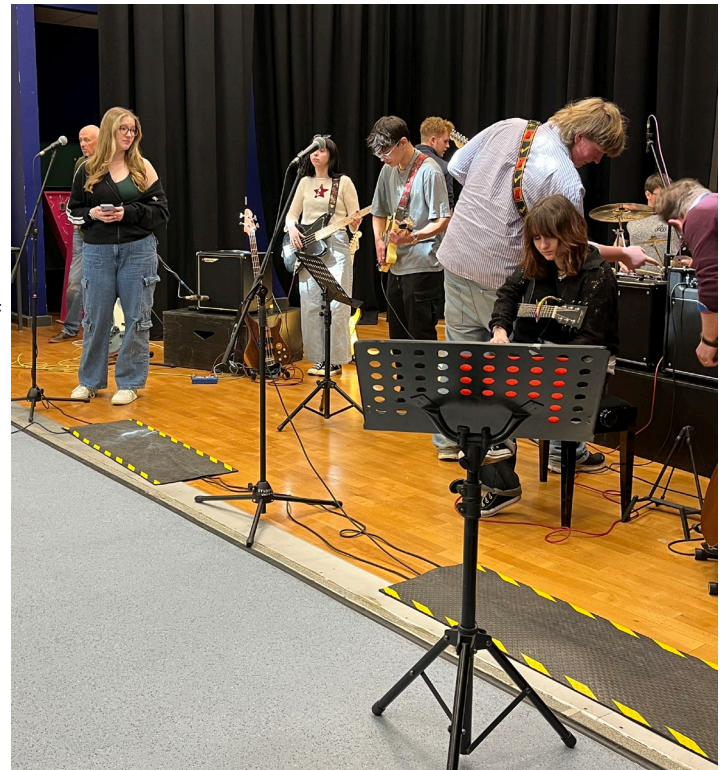




OPEN MIC

April saw the last Open Mic for many of this year 13 cohort. With the summer term being dominated by exams, the Easter break was the opportunity for one last spectacular musical blow out. Period 5 was carved in two by the sheer force of rock n roll. Britpop ruled with Blur and Oasis kicking off proceedings, but MV students were then treated to an eclectic mix of styles and genres which culminated in a mad mash up of mayhem, eight songs starting with Metallica and ending with Fleetwood Mac via Green Day, Toto and Kenny Loggins - an absolute masterpiece which was the product of the twin twisted psyches of JS and Grace in year 13. This year 13 have been absolutely instrumental in growing the Open Mic; only a year ago we were watching the first ever student-led full band performance (appropriately enough it was of the same Fleetwood Mac song that closed the medley), one year on, this project (that began life before lockdown as not much more than lunchtime karaoke session) is now populated by instrumentalists and vocalists who work, rehearse and collaborate to put on an all-live show of eclectic and electric tunes every half term. Open Mic will continue to grow and thrive but this year's yr13 will always have a special place in its history. Thank you to everyone this year who has produced a note or plugged in a lead. God speed - you will be missed.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Turing Scheme Trip**
12.06.2025 – 18.06.2025
- **Work Experience Week**
16.06.2025 – 18.06.2025
- **Year 12 Progress Reviews**
19.06.2025
- **Post-18 Workshops**
20.06.2025
- **UCAS University Fair**
24.06.2025
- **Year 13 Prom**
27.06.2025
- **Alumni Event**
04.07.2025
- **Art Show**
07.07.2025
- **DofE Gold Expedition Qualifier**
11.07.2025 – 14.07.2025