

We were delighted to welcome Equaliteach into MGS last week to train our Speak Out students to become 'Agents for Change'. They are now trained on the issue of identity-based bullying – what it looks like and how to deal with it. They also worked together to produce an action plan on how the 'Speak Out' group plans to move forward in the coming year. The pupils were a credit to the school and produced many practical ideas that they can focus on implementing together.



Football's biggest environmental movement, Football Rebooted, is on a mission to rehome at least one million pairs of quality football boots across the UK, to stop them ending up in landfill. If you have any spare quality football boots you can no longer use, please consider donating them to give someone else the chance to get them back on the pitch! All donations can be left in the marked collection box in the Orangery.



Once again, many thanks to all our school community who have kindly donated supplies to send to Ukraine. Please continue to bring in your donations to the Orangery so we are able to continue supporting this important and essential work. In addition, we are continuing to accept messages of hope and support for those displaced by the conflict in Ukraine, so please do keep these coming. Suitable items for donation: baby formula (especially hypoallergenic one - huge shortage); baby feeding bottles; sterilising equipment (nothing electric - different sockets); baby food; nappies - any sizes; warm socks/gloves/ warm hats; camping mats; sleeping bags; protein/energy bars; warm blankets; thermal/base layers; hot water bottles; female sanitary products; any clean, soft toys/teddy bears to help comfort the children.

Looking ahead

Monday 2nd May

Bank holiday – school closed

Tuesday 3rd May

Year 12 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

Wednesday 4th May

Year 13 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

Thursday 5th May

Year 11 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

Friday 13th May

Fair Trade Day – Reekie event

Wednesday 18th May

Year 10+12 internal exams begin

Friday 20th May

Year 7-9 internal exams begin

Friday 27th May

School Community Event, p4+5 (Queen's Platinum Jubilee)

End of Term 5

Monday 6th June

Term 6 begins

Assembly theme

This week's Assembly theme: Approach to Exams

Eid-al-Fitr (Celebrated 3rd May)

Marks the end of the month-long Ramadan fast.

Our School Environment

Please ensure all areas of school are left litter free.

Litter duty: 10D Please collect the litter picks and black sacks from the Premises shed and report to your Learning Leader at the end of lunchtime.

Lost Property: 9A Please make sure lost property is sorted. The Form Prefect should make contact with the form to arrange the day on which duty will be done.

Water: Please use the water stations around the school at break and lunchtime and remember to bring a bottle each day to minimise use of single use plastic bottles.

16 x 16 update

16 by 16 books now available to borrow



Students can now borrow books on our 16 by 16 list via the English department. Come to the English office off room 20 and see Mrs Smith to get your brand-new copy.

The first readers of each title will get their name put in the book!

House Merits (at 29-4-22)

	Merit	Community	Sport
Atholl	118	128	85
Chadwick	84	129	91
Darnley	143	88	95
Lynton	90	143	155
Penfold	113	106	136
Reekie	118	141	94
Westbrook	91	156	92

The Mayfield Mindset

VESPA: Last week we encouraged you to look at your subjects and break them down to knowledge and skills. Now ask yourself the following questions before you start to organise your revision:

- How will you make the elements of knowledge and skills stick in your memory?
- What will you practise?
- What will you do if you forget this?
- What resources will you use?
- Do you need to ask for help with the content?

Next week we will help you put your revision plan into practice.

Prep: We have been looking at options after A levels. Students have researched the different types of apprenticeships and have considered whether they want to take a gap year, take up employment or go to university. They have also completed research on doing a joint degree course; the costs of being an international student and what schemes are available if they want a year abroad, as part of their university courses. They have also reflected on what it means to be a global citizen.

Reminders

Speak Out: Speak Out meets every Thursday at 1.45 in Room 7. Please see our board, our focus next term is Hate Crime.

Readathon: The English Department have launched the 'Read for Good' for Years 7 and 8. This is a sponsored 'Readathon' to raise money for Children in Need. This year the money will go to Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. If students from other year groups would like to participate, sponsor forms can be found on the English noticeboard in the upper corridor.

Chewing Gum: Is not permitted in school. Any who discard as they arrive on site must use the bins we provide at all entrances to the school.

Arriving at school: Please remember that you should not arrive on site before 8am and pupils should not be dropped off on site unless a prior arrangement has been made.

Polite request: Please can parents and carers ensure that the driveways of local residents are not blocked during drop off and pick up times. We understand the area around the school site can be busy, please consider parking a little further away and encouraging your daughter to walk.

Senior Officials: Room 11 Lunch Duty Rota

Monday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Victoria Abdul-Salam
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Jessica Nicholls
Tuesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Holly Noakes
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Harsimran Gill
Wednesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Olivia Roper
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Mia Moriarty
Thursday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Makayla Samuel
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Member of HPT

- Duties will continue until Year 11 go on Home Study
- Officials to ensure room is kept silent
- Officials to take a register of every session and pass on to Mrs Murfet when they are finished.
- Any problems or issues whilst running the study group, please see JMT, LA or JCP.

Spotlight on the 1960s

Megan Lear attended our school in the 1960s. In September 2021 she was one of 51 past and present Kent Women Cricketers awarded with their County caps. The caps are presented to players that have excelled for their county or given many years of service to Kent, or played for England. Megan was an opening bat, played for Kent from 1971-1992 and appeared for England in 9 test matches and 16 one day internationals between 1976 and 1985. She also played for Young England in the 1973 World Cup and coached England in the 1973 World Cup.

