

We are pleased to welcome some new and returning staff to MGSG – Ms Scott (Biology), Mr Ogunbiyi (Premises), Ms Ferrufino De Boyne (Canteen), Ms Bray (Technology), Mr Pascoe (Geography) and Mr Webster (Reprographics).

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.

We are excited to welcome back Equaliteach on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April. They will be working with our Speak Out group to train them to become 'Agents for Change' in our community. They will be looking at identity based bullying and planning initiatives they may wish to explore with Mrs Absolon.

### Looking ahead

#### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Year 9 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)  
Political Exercise

#### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Year 7 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

#### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April

Year 8 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

#### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Year 10 Assembly in the Hall (Gifted Young Gravesham)

#### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April

Catch-up session

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Bank holiday – school closed

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Fair Trade Day – Reekie event

#### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Year 10+12 internal exams begin

#### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Year 7-9 internal exams begin

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

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

End of Term 5

### Assembly theme

#### This week's Assembly theme: Human Rights and Freedom

The experiences of being imprisoned; valuing the freedom that you have; why rules are necessary; valuing homes and families; slavery; religions that free the mind from the desires of everyday life in order to find true happiness.

### Our School Environment

Please ensure all areas of school are left litter free.

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

**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.

### Notice to parents: Get involved – Parents Association

You can make a real difference! There has never been a better or more important time to support your PA.

What value does your PA bring to Mayfield?

- **Fundraising** – whether it's paying for extras or essentials, every penny directly benefits our children such as Shakespeare workshops, inviting authors and poets, Science workshops, sporting activities, school minibus and potentially much more.
- **Fun** – our events are enjoyed by children, parents and teachers alike, and are a great way to create and bring the whole school community closer together.
- **Parent/Guardian voice** – discussing where PA money is spent and working with the school.

**Join us:** There are many ways you can offer your talents and be part of the PA. If you would like to talk about how you can volunteer for your PA, however much or little time you can spare – please get in touch with us. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm** in the school hall or email us on [mgsdpa@gmail.com](mailto:mgsdpa@gmail.com).

**Be certain that your help will be greatly appreciated and will make a real difference.**

## 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.

## eLibrary update

### eBooks anytime, anywhere –

**Read without limits.**



#### ELibrary Launch Success last term

<https://mgsg.eplatform.co/>

In our first week of launch 247 titles were borrowed. Seems to be popular!

You are able to browse for, borrow and read eBooks and Audiobooks anywhere, anytime, on multiple devices. All our students can use this fantastic resource and have access to over 2000 titles. Remember that as well as fiction, there is a 'Wellness Collection' too.

Top 2 borrowers in March were: Olive Wright (Year 7) and Sophie Rowley (Year 11) ☺

If you haven't dipped in yet, have a go!

## Recycling



We now have an EcoVend recycling machine in the orangery.

For every plastic bottle or can purchased from the canteen can now be recycle and you can claim a 1p credit to your catering account.

Please follow the instructions on the screen of the machine and collect your receipt. You can now take this to the till in the canteen and it will be credited to your account.

Please ensure any surplus liquid left in the bottle is disposed of using the sink located in the canteen.

Enjoy and thank you all for helping our environment.

## Senior Officials: Room 11 Lunch Duty Rota

Monday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Rhiannon Powell
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Ria Daniels
Tuesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Savera Ahmed
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Kaytan Padda
Wednesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Ella Barnes
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Emily Hussey
Thursday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Emma Cook
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Grace Lindfield

- Duties will continue until Year 11 go on Home Study in May
- 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.

## House Merits (at 22-4-22)

	Merit	Community	Sport
<b>Atholl</b>	112	126	79
<b>Chadwick</b>	81	125	84
<b>Darnley</b>	136	87	92
<b>Lynton</b>	85	137	149
<b>Penfold</b>	109	103	133
<b>Reekie</b>	116	134	91
<b>Westbrook</b>	90	151	86