



Maghull High News

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Hello and welcome to this year's fifth edition of Maghull High School News. It has been another very busy half term, with lots of extra-curricular activity, and the start of examinations for students in year eleven and thirteen. We wish all students good luck with their exams and look forward to seeing you all ready for the final half term of the year on Monday, 6 June. Have a great break!

Chair of Governors Mr Howe



Headteacher, Ms Aspinall and Senior Assistant Head, Mrs Bennett, were delighted to accompany Mr Howe, our Chair of Governors, to a Buckingham Palace garden party recently. Mr Howe is stepping down this year but will continue to serve on our local governing body. The invite was extended by the Lieutenancy of Merseyside in recognition of Mr Howe's long-standing services to education and local politics. Prior to joining our board of governors over twenty years ago, Mr Howe spent his career as a teacher in Liverpool, working as a primary head in two different schools. As well as his work in schools, Mr Howe, a resident of Maghull since 1977, was a local councillor for many years, serving as Mayor of Maghull twice. During his time as a councillor, he represented Sefton Council on the Merseyside Police Authority, sitting as Chair of the Professional Standards Committee. We are so pleased that Mr Howe's service has been recognised in this way and thank him for his continued support of our school.



Debate Mate



We would like to congratulate this year's Debate Mate team, who are the Core Virtual Cup winners for 2022. Taking part in Debate Mate helps students improve their speaking and listening skills, as well as building self-confidence, teamwork and leadership. Miss Kirby has been working with a number of students over a period of time to reach the point where we were competition ready but pictured above are the winning six. On the day, the team were pitted against other schools with far more experience and had to debate a number of motions, including 'This house would use Artificial Intelligence to make political decisions'.



Feedback from the judges was incredibly positive and they were very impressed with how well our students acquitted themselves, despite never having entered the competition before. Thank you to Miss Kirby for all her hard work in preparing the students. We would encourage all students to take part in Debate Mate in the future, as it addresses the widening skills gap between education and employment, whilst raising aspirations and helping students to make informed choices about their future pathways after school.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL

Unilever Competition Success



Congratulations to Ella, Jess and Laura from year nine who claimed third place in the All About STEM Unilever Bright Futures programme. The students got the opportunity to answer a product brief for a real Unilever judging panel and learned about product development from start to finish. After months of hard work designing a new shampoo bar called Snap 'n' Go, the team made the top three, claiming a beautiful glass trophy and we could not be prouder of them. Thanks to Miss Venables for supporting the team.

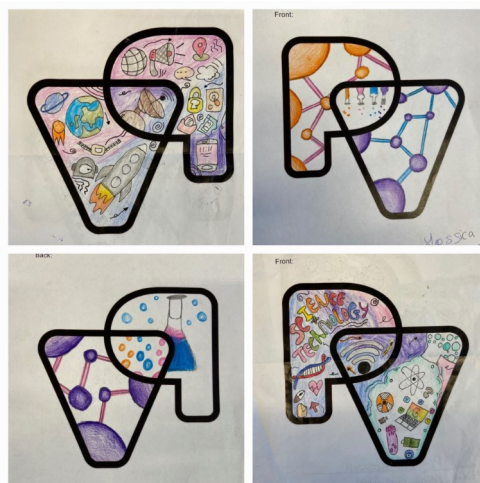
Youth Empower Conference



In partnership with the Anthony Walker Foundation and Liverpool John Moore's University, a Youth Summit took place at the university Student Union on 29 April, in collaboration with the Equality & Outreach Teams and we were lucky enough to be able to take a group of students to participate. Young people from across the city engaged in open and frank discussions, exploring what racism means to them, got a chance to speak with championship boxer Natasha Jonas and had the opportunity to creatively articulate themselves and their thoughts around anti-racism through a variety of creative workshops. All involved enjoyed the event.



Art Updates



Year nine student Peyton Boswell (9AS) has been selected as the overall winner of a local art competition and Jessica Williams (9ADB) as runner up. Peyton's work will be painted by a local artist onto a permanent piece of public sculpture which will soon be sited in Paddington Village within the Knowledge Quarter, Liverpool. There will be a special celebration event to unveil the sculpture and hand out prizes in the next few months.



A group of year nine students enjoyed a graphics careers talk provided by Michael Britain from Sefton Libraries. Michael aimed to offer students a glimpse of graphics as a medium of art. Year twelve art students attended a virtual talk with the artist Poulomi Basu on 26 April provided by the V&A. The webinar offered our students an insight into the life of a contemporary photographer; capturing their attention with her relatability and talent.



Transition



Welcome to Maghull High School Transition 2022



We look forward to meeting you and your child at our induction events on 30 June. In the meantime, we will update this page periodically with relevant information, which you will receive in due course in a paper pack.

Headteacher Welcome	Letter 4th May	Transition Pack letter	Pupil Premium letter
Admission Form	Inclusion Questionnaire	Home School Agreement	Standards
Prospectus	Parental Information Booklet	FAQs	Transition Work

If you require any further information please email transition2022@maghullhigh.com

We are looking forward to welcoming our new year seven students for their visit day on 30 June. Visits are underway to meet every student in their primary school and to talk to teachers about their individual transition needs. We are planning a week of summer school week commencing 22 August and will be writing to parents soon with further details about what is involved. All information shared is on our school website under the **Transition 2022** tab.

Millionaire Reader



Congratulations to Daisy from year eight who is our latest millionaire reader. It is so important that students continue to read and quiz on Accelerated Reader.

Careers Education



A group of year eleven students recently went on a visit to SB Skills Solutions, a national training provider in nearby Skelmersdale and Burscough. The students were given a fantastic insight into construction skills and training and found it useful and informative. Thank you to our parent contact for helping us to arrange the visit.



Well done to the eight students who recently took part in the AWS Amazon Web Services competition. AWS GetIT is an initiative designed by Amazon Web Services to encourage girls aged twelve to thirteen to consider a career in technology – challenging long standing gender stereotypes. AWS GetIT invites teams from different schools to an app building competition to solve real issues faced by their school or community. Well done to our students who took part.



Year twelve students enjoyed visiting the university and apprenticeship fair at Aintree racecourse last month — lots of inspiration on future pathways and options.

Dates for the diary

Monday, 6 June - Return to school
Thursday, 9 June 4.00-7.00pm - Y10 Parent Evening
Friday, 24 June - INSET Day
Saturday, 16 July 9.00am-12.30pm - Open Morning
Wednesday, 20 July 12.35pm - End of Term

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

To help your child make the most of the extra-curricular clubs on offer, please see our website for details of all lunchtime and after-school activities:

[Enrichment and Extra Curricular | Maghull High School](#) This will be updated for September.

Extra-curricular Sport Update

Girls' Football



We saw unbelievable effort from our year seven and eight girls' football team recently when they played in the Sefton girls' football tournament organised by Marine. We won three games, lost just one and drew one. A total of fifteen goals were scored, with ten from Millie, three from Molly and one each from Phoebe and Lucie. Amazing work team—keep it up!

Rounders



It has been really great to see so many students turning up to rounders practice after school this last half term. This will stand them in good stead for inter-house competitions and sports day, which are coming up next half term.

Sporting Achievement



Well done to Max from year eight who recently represented Sefton boys when they won the Under 13 Champions' Cup District Final, playing Aldershot schools in the final. The game was at the Britannia Stadium, home of Stoke City and the team secured a win, 4-3 on penalties. Well done, Max!

Attendance Matters



Well done to all students who have been working so hard to improve their attendance this half term. Year teams have reported greater ownership and more recognition from students of how important being in school is. Being in every day maximises their potential and supports their wellbeing through contact with their peers. Any concerns about attendance should be addressed to the head of year and please remember holiday during term time cannot be authorised.

Emotional Wellbeing & Kooth



We marked Mental Health Awareness Week recently by speaking to our students in assemblies about the theme of loneliness. We encouraged students to build meaningful connections with their friends, family, colleagues and communities to support their own and others' emotional wellbeing. Loneliness can affect any of us at one time or another and we know that loneliness can be both the cause of and a product of poor mental health. Students were reminded that they can use Kooth to support their emotional wellbeing; it is free to all students educated in Sefton. If your child has not registered an account yet, they can do so here: [Home - Kooth](#)

Year 10 Personal Development



Thank you to the Sefton Sexual Health team who delivered education to our year ten students recently on topics such as consent and sexual health.