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A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A MANCHESTER ACADEMY STUDENT

Year 5 students from Claremont Primary School spent the day at Manchester Academy on Tuesday 2nd May. The timetable for the day was:

10:15-11:00	Welcome and Getting to Know Each Other Activities/ Presentations
11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-11:45	PE
11:45-12:15	Lunch
12:15-12:45	Drama
12:45-13:15	Science
13:15-13:40	Treasure Hunt
13:40-14:10	Art Workshop
14:10-14:20	Closing Activity

Thanks to the following 7 students who helped on the day, giving the Year 5s the benefit of their experience of the transition from primary to high school:

Ilyas Adan, Hassan Al-Shamari, Sumaya Batin, Rafferty Fletcher, Samah Mohamed, Sumaya Mohamed and Mohammed Nasem.

Students loved the day, especially their time spent in Science experimenting.

RAF LEADERSHIP TRAINING



This week, 20 specially selected Year 9 and Year 10 students were chosen to take part in Royal Air Force Leadership training on 2nd/3rd May.

The training enabled them to collate evidence for their Student Leadership Accreditation portfolios through the SSAT. Students need to evidence ten key qualities of a leader, provide evidence and explain how they meet each criterion. Tomorrow's leaders are clearly tuned in and eager to impress.

The RAF believes that strong and courageous leadership is needed at all levels: to achieve success, it must be underpinned by a degree of emotional intelligence and the empowerment of subordinates in order to achieve the relevant task.

Our students enjoyed the experience and left with a number of tools that will help them in the future. Many thanks to Sgt Mick Hill and Sgt Iain Skelton for facilitating the event.

Year 11 GCSE Textiles

This year the Year 11 GCSE Textiles students have excelled themselves and have produced some really great work!

Each and every student in the class has worked hard, designing their chosen garment, choosing fabrics, sewing and embellishing them to a very high standard

Congratulations to everyone—you are the fashion designers of the future!



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The School Council held an Open Meeting on 25th April, attended by 20 students from Years 7-10. The meeting covered a wide range of topics and concerns all of which have been referred to the relevant authority: Governors, Senior Leadership Team, Year Directors or subject teams for consideration and action where necessary.

Some of the subjects under discussion were exams, supply teachers, revision guides and, surprisingly, a request for rewards trips only at the end of term, not at the end of each half term!



POLICE CADETS

At lunchtime on Wednesday 10th May, representatives of GMP will be in school to talk to students about the Police Cadets.

The scheme is aimed at 13-17 year-olds and provides a programme of weekly Cadet nights filled with activity, information and hopefully, with fun. The aims of the scheme are to:

- Promote and encourage a practical interest in policing among young people,
- Provide training which will encourage positive leadership within communities which will include volunteering opportunities,
- Encourage a spirit of adventure and develop qualities of leadership and good citizenship. Cadets will have the opportunity to obtain qualifications such as First Aid and take part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

Full details will be given out on Wednesday, but this is an excellent opportunity for students and will enhance their CVs when applying for college, university or training.



KARTING AT THREE SISTERS, WIGAN



On 24th April, five students represented Manchester Academy in this year's Regional Final of the British School Karting Championships, which were held at the 3 Sisters Karting Track in Wigan.

Their enthusiasm and determination couldn't be faulted, but unfortunately, they were pitted against far more experienced teams. Nevertheless, they gave those teams a run for their money and made them work hard for their victory.

Well done to everyone—you made Manchester Academy very proud of you!



FORM BOOK BOXES

From 4th May, each Form Room will have a box containing a selection of books handpicked for each Year Group and forms will take part in activities based around their reading.

Each Form will appoint one or two Form Librarians who will take care of the box. Students will get a signature on their Loyalty Card for every book they read.

These books are only for use in Form Time and must be kept in the Form Room, but students are always welcome to borrow books from the school's Library and of course, there are public libraries in all areas of Manchester which are free for everyone to use.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Every week the different subject departments select a student who has done exceptionally well and nominate them for Stars of the Week. Each student receives ten merits and on Friday, is invited to breakfast with the Principal.

Name	Reg	Subject	Comment
Mohamud Mohamed	7MLE	English	For continued efforts in English, working hard, remaining focussed and doing the right thing in times of challenge.
Yannick Mulugeta Tesfu	9CRS		
Bassam Al Dhufairi	9C4C	English	A lovely young man: every time he sees me he opens the door, helps me with my books and on one occasion he carried my shopping up-stairs for me! I wish we had more students like him in school!
Ali Sharif	11NSM	English	For the past few weeks Ali has been determined to make substantial progress in English. Even when he finds tasks challenging, he has been attacking them with everything he's got! This is a massive improvement from the start of the year and coupled with his recent attendance at Period 6 is very pleasing. Well done!
Abdulrahman El-Gheryani	9EMA	History	Fantastic effort and level of work—keep it up!
Moheel Farooqi	9LMC	History	Fantastic answers in class and happy to help other pupils
Muhammad Haider	9RBL	History	As always, fantastic manners and levels of effort, superb example to the rest of his Year
Ridwan Jeylani	9LMC	History	Brilliant work and some amazing answers
Chris Thananki	8RRT	Humanities	For helping clear up the classroom without being asked
Sabrina Aryeetey	11PNI	Maths	For her hard work in all Maths lessons and revision sessions. She is a happy and kind student who is keen to help other students with their work, too. She is a great ambassador for the school.
Sumaya Mohamed	7LTA	Music	Both students have worked hard in Music. They have joined in with tasks given and have taken on leadership responsibilities in their small group work.
Farhan Tulaymat	7MGA		

STARS OF THE WEEK *(Continued)*

Name	Reg	Subject	Comment
Alycha Henry	11BLI	Psychology	For the hard work and effort they always put into their studies. The marks they are achieving in topic tests are placing them in a very positive place for Psychology Paper 2. Well done!
Ronan Timircan	11PNI		
Mohamed Mohamed	11KGE	Science	He absolutely smashed his Additional Chemistry final mock exam, achieving A+ - I am very proud of him!

REMINDER

The Year 10 Progress Evening takes place on Wednesday 10th May from 4.00-6.00 p.m. and the Year 10 Annual Reports will be available for collection on the night. We look forward to seeing you then.

Yours sincerely,



Mr A Griffin, Principal