

THE VOYAGE



A Journey to
Maritime Academy
Term 2 2022





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Welcome to our Term 2 edition of The Voyage

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WELCOME

Term 2 Reflections

Welcome to the Term 2 edition of The Voyage.

As you read through this edition, I am sure you will join me in celebrating some of the amazing things that have happened at Maritime over the past seven weeks. Term 2 is always a special term for Year 7 students as you see them grow in confidence with themselves and their learning now they feel more settled and know and understand what is expected of them as Secondary Students.

I often remind our Students that they are the 'pioneers, visionaries and leaders' of our brand new Academy and throughout this edition of The Voyage I was stuck by how much that is now coming to fruition as our Year 7 Students flourish within our Academy.

A special highlight for me was holding our first award assembly as a whole school. To recognise and celebrate those Students and their exceptional contributions to the Academy and their learning was thoroughly enjoyable. The Student community were equally proud of their peers and congratulated each other showcasing our family values.

The Christmas break is a time for rest and reflection. There have been a huge number of things to celebrate and I hope that you are just as proud of your children as the team here at Maritime are.

I hope that you enjoy spending time as a family over the Christmas break and rest ready to return to school in the new year. From the team here at Maritime, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Head of School - Mr Evans



EVENTS

Remembrance:

This term we held our first Maritime Academy Remembrance assembly. Both Mr Evans and Mrs Murphy shared their personal connections to the Armed Forces as well as reflecting on the rich history of Medway. As a community we reflected on what Remembrance means to each of us and why it is important to recognise the selflessness of service personnel who dedicate their lives to serve others.



Our Maritime Students continue to demonstrate our values of Strength - Pride - Unity by creating beautiful artwork, poetry and heartfelt messages of remembrance.

Our whole school display reflected the passion our Students have for bringing our school together for this significant date of the school year.



EVENTS

Black History Month:

In celebration of Black History Month in October, the Maths department celebrated the work of Benjamin Banneker. Benjamin Banneker was a black mathematician who invented the first ever self chiming clock. Students participated in a competition to create a mathematical clock of their own. Instead of the clock having the usual numbers on it, questions were put in place of the solutions. There were a huge amount of entries which made it a really tough decision to choose a winner. However, there were two entries that really stood out as being excellent. Well done the following students; Tamary (winner), and Yousef (runner up). Please see their submissions below.

Tamary



Yousef





EVENTS

Fleet Awards:

At the end of Term 2 Students from each Fleet were nominated by their Fleet Captains to receive an award for demonstrating our Academy values above and beyond expectations.

Huge congratulations to the following Students from each Fleet:

Fleet	Strength	Pride	Unity
Cordelia	Maya	Louis	Kalina
Euphrates	Isabelle	Charlie	Kian
Mulgrave	Franklin	Elly	Tamary
Pionner	Lewis	Layla	Yousef
Reynard	Archie	Bianca	Kai
Shannon	Inioluwa	Lily	Ioana





EVENTS

Curriculum Awards:

At the end of Term 2 each subject teacher nominated a student from Year 7 to receive an award based on their Attainment, Progress and Commitment.

The Attainment award recognises Students who demonstrated their academic excellence by revising well for their assessments and achieving a high standard within their individual attainment score.

Huge congratulations to the following Students from each subject who have demonstrated academic strength:



Maths	Freddie	French	Kalina
English	Daisy	RE	Sonali
Science	Thomas	Art	Flavius
Computing	Noor	Music	Jacob
History	Anastasia	PE	Morgan
Geography	Kai	PSHE	Velislava



EVENTS

Curriculum Awards:

At the end of Term 2 each subject teachers nominated a student from Year 7 to receive an award based on their Attainment, Progress and Commitment.

The Progress award recognises Students who have worked incredibly hard between their Term 1 and Term 2 assessment to show excellent progress with their learning.

Huge congratulations to the following Students from each subject who have demonstrated academic pride:



Maths	Stella
English	Amalie
Science	Jake
Computing	Sonny

We look forward to sharing the Students who make excellent progress across all subjects in the new year from their Term 2 assessment. Making progress and striving to improve each time Students sit an assessment is essential to achieving overall success by the end of Year 7 and beyond.



EVENTS

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The Unity award recognises Students for their commitment to their learning. They work hard in lessons, follow our expectations and consistently contribute to a successful learning environment.

Huge congratulations to the following Students from each subject who have demonstrated academic unity:



Maths	Luke	French	Kyle
English	Lulu	RE	Caleb
Science	Ofure	Art	Ruby
Computing	Jersey	Music	Yousef
History	Finley	PE	Ekam
Geography	Kayde	PSHE	Ronnie



DEBATE AND REFLECT

Picture News

It is important for our Students to be knowledgeable about the world around them to enhance their cultural capital. Therefore each week each Fleet reviews a topical discussion piece.

Here are some of the Term 2 discussions and news stories that we shared together:

Nurses in the Royal College of Nursing union have voted for the union's first UK - wide strike in its 106-year history.

Are some jobs more important than others?



This year, the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) marks 100 years of broadcasting.

Are television channels as important as they once were?



Animal rescue groups in countries around the world are seeing a jump in the number of animals being brought to their shelters, as households and finances are squeezed.

Should more be done to help rescue pets?



COMMUNITY LUNCH

Unity

One of our core values is Unity, and forming a strong community is very important in all walks of life.

Community lunch has been a huge part of forming friendships and unity amongst our six Fleets. I have taken immense pride in leading the lunch time discussions in our Maritime community lunch and modelling as well as sharing some of the fantastic discussions between our staff and students. Every Monday and Wednesday students have reading homework set which is either current affairs or subject based reading. The lunchtime discussion are built from this reading that takes place through reading progress on Microsoft Teams.

One of the highlights of the lunchtime discussions was Nasa's James Webb Telescope and 'Pillars of Creation' topic. It was fascinating to hear students' perspectives of what is still to discover in our Universe and how Science in the future could inform our understanding of the solar system. Scientists' theories such as Albert Einstein was discussed and whether we will prove or disprove his and other Scientists theories.

This unique part of our school enables students to learn key communication skills through discussions, as well as the power of conversations outside of the classroom and to hear the knowledge and passions students have about current affairs and topical issues.



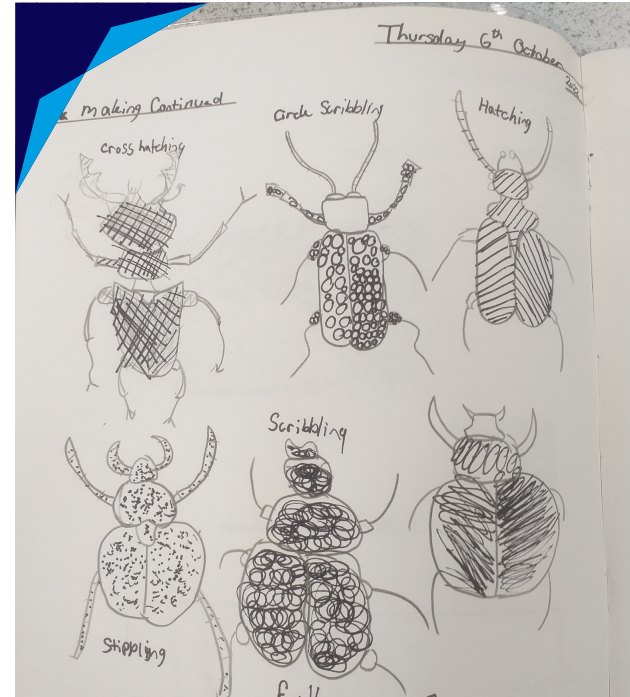


CURRICULUM

Insight into Art:

Mr Earles, our Art teacher, would like to share with our whole school community some of the incredibly artwork created by our Students this term.

Outstanding contributions by our founding cohort of Year 7 - they are really setting the standard high! Well done to all Students.





CURRICULUM

Insight into English:

Miss Howes and Mrs Still have been so blown away by all students devotion, determination and imagination when learning about speech writing and rhetoric this term.

All students have been working towards writing their own speech about a topic they care about. We have been absolutely blown away by the amazing ideas our students have.

All students have shown Strength, Pride and Unity in their work when they have continuously received feedback, improved on their ideas and pushed themselves beyond expectations.

One student that has been working exceptionally hard and has proven himself over the course of the term is Jack. Jack has worked so hard on his speech writing skills. He is never afraid of feedback and challenges himself constantly. I cannot wait to hear his speech when it is ready.

Congratulations to all students for finishing 2022 on such a high, well done all!



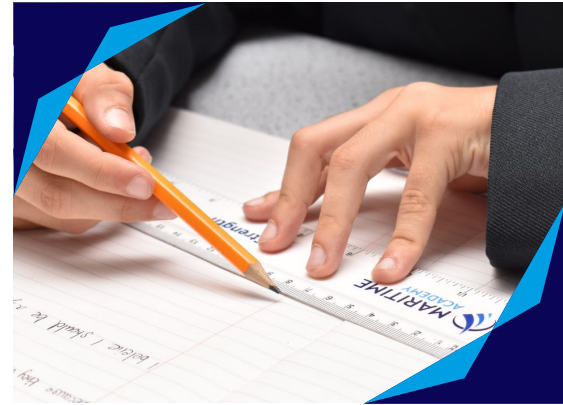


STUDENT VOICE

Meeting with Mr Evans:

Our Student Fleet leaders met with Mr Evans to review the Term and share their reflections on their experience of the Academy. They used the Thinking Hats to structure their conversation and highlight to Mr Evans what they believe is working well at Maritime and their Blue hat next steps - Mr Evans was overwhelmed with the high level of maturity and eloquent explanations provided by our Year 7 Students.

A sign of how our Students are setting the standard incredibly high as our founding cohort. Keep up the great work Year 7!



Meeting with Mrs Murphy:

Members of our Student Leadership Team met with Mrs Murphy to discuss a range of topics including what it is like to learn in a Thinking School and what they enjoy the most about attending Maritime.

They then worked with our central Thinking Creative team to make videos of their reflections. These videos will be shared on our social media platforms next term - please follow us on Twitter @Maritime_TSAT to see these videos in Term 3.





VISITORS

Local Councillors:

This term we welcomed Cllr Potter and Cllr Iles to our Academy.

It was an absolute pleasure to show them our school and for them to meet some of the team. We toured the Academy visiting lessons and The Galley. They joined in lessons and spoke with some of our Students.

Both Councillors left the Academy incredibly impressed with our Academy and most importantly the conduct of our Students - well done team Maritime!



Governors:

We also welcomed members of our Governing body to the Academy. They spent time meeting with Students, staff and the Leadership team. They also joined us for Community Lunch and engaged with our Students during our topical discussions.

They very much enjoyed their visit with us and were impressed with the the progress our Students have made since they last visited in at the start of the academic year.





SEND

Hear from the team:

It doesn't seem possible that we are already at the end of the term. Our first two terms have flown by so quickly! I hope your child is enjoying their learning journey and we have been extremely pleased with the hard work shown by our students. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our team who provide additional support for our students.

Mrs Jeffery-Fox is our ELSA and her role is to support the emotional wellbeing of our students. Since September, Mrs Jeffery-Fox has supported out students with weekly group and 1:1 ELSA sessions where students have looked at managing their emotions and boosting their self-esteem.

Mrs Jeffery-Fox is also available every lunchtime in our Lighthouse provision to provide a 'safe space' for students.



Miss Adeyemi is our Teaching Assistant and her role is to support students with additional needs in and outside of the classroom. Since September, Miss Adeyemi has supported our students with weekly group and 1:1 reading and literacy interventions. Miss Adeyemi is also available every lunchtime in the Sans Pareil Library to offer students a quiet place to read or support with their homework.



Please encourage your child to read at home every evening for 20-30 minutes as well as completing their Reading Progress homework on their One:One device twice a week.



STUDENT SUPPORT

Online Resources:

Lots of students get support from their school when they're going through a tough time. Young people can speak to anyone working at Maritime Academy about anything that's bothering them, whether it's school related or something different.

Feeling distressed or unhappy from time to time is normal, however if these feelings are persistent or are causing a lot of worry for a person you are concerned about then parents can access a number of online support sites. A few are listed below, but please also visit our website to find our more.

Kooth

Kooth is an online resource that provides free, safe and anonymous support for young people. It offers support such as talking to counsellors, access to articles written by young people, access to a 'Kooth community' (including forums) and a place to write daily journals. The service is available for 10-25yr olds.



Young Minds

Young Minds Crisis Messenger, for free 24/7 support across the UK if you are experiencing a mental health crisis.

Text YM to 85258 (all texts are answered by trained volunteers, with support from experienced clinical supervisors)



Moodspark

A place where young people aged 10-16 can learn how to look after their emotional and mental health and find ways to help them bounce back when life gets tough.





STUDENT REMINDERS

Stationery:

Part of our expectations is that Students turn up to the Academy everyday ready to learn. This includes having the right equipment for learning.

Please ensure that your child has the following equipment when they return in January to ensure they can flourish with their learning.

My Maritime Pencil Case and Stationery

- x1 Transparent (clear pencil case)
- x2 Black Pens
- x2 Sharp Pencils
- x1 15cm / 30cm Ruler
- x2 Purple Pens
- x2 Red pens

Students are also reminded that we are a sustainable school and therefore only a Maritime water bottle is permitted to be used for drinking during the school day.





STUDENT REMINDERS

Uniform:

Our Students arrive to school each day looking smart and demonstrating Strength - Pride - Unity and are valued members of our Academy Community.

It is therefore expected that all Students meet the standard expected and follow the uniform policy to avoid a sanction.

Any hair accessories, socks, tights, gloves and additional items that are permitted under the uniform policy must be navy and understated.

Make-up, false nails, hair dye, smart watches and any other item that is not deemed acceptable under our uniform policy are likely to be confiscated and a sanction applied.

Ensure that you are remind yourself of the standards expected before you return to the Academy in January.

Mobile Phones:

Our rules are simple - phones should not be heard or seen on the Academy site at all. If they are seen they will be confiscated for a week for the 1st offence and a term for the 2nd offence. Students attend school to learn.





STUDENT REMINDERS

Making Excellence a Habit:

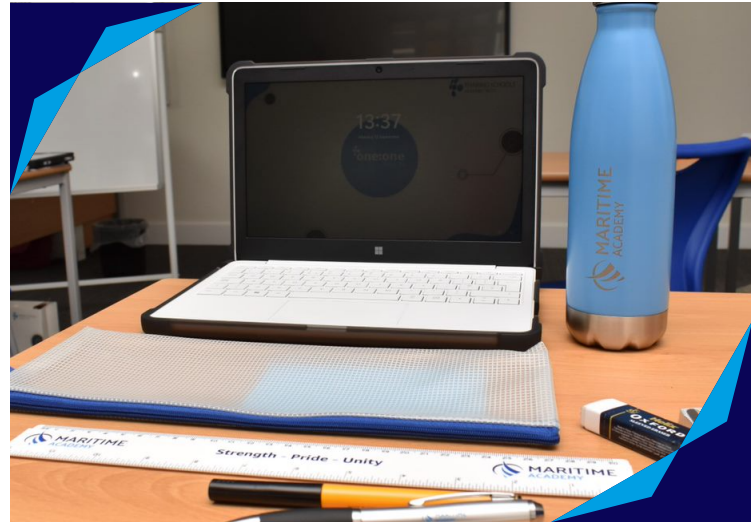
Take time to reflect on your personal achievements this term, what has gone well and what you might work on and improve in Term 3. Mr Evans set you the challenge of using a BAR Key to structure your New Year's targets. How can you be your best self?

Enjoy your break with your family. Relax and recharge ready to return to learning in Term 3.

We return to school on Wednesday 4th January - Week A.

Ensure you remember your effective habits and routines to arrive to the bus stop / to the Academy on time with the correct uniform, stationary and a fully charged device.

Pack your bag the night before and check with your adults at home that you have everything you need to ensure a successful return to school in the New Year.





Office Reminders

Lateness:

Registers open at 8.30am and close at 8.40am. Any student arriving between these times will be marked using an 'L' code (late whilst register is open). Any student arriving after 8.40am will be marked using a 'U' code (late after registers closes). A 'U' code is an unauthorised late and will mark the student as unauthorised for the morning session. It will affect the student's overall attendance figure.

Absence:

If a student is going to be absent from school, please contact the school before 9.00am stating the reason for absence. Parents/Carers are expected to telephone the school on each day of their child's absence to provide an update. If a student is absent from school for more than 3 days, medical evidence is required to authorise the absence. On returning to school, a written letter must be provided stating the reason for the absence along with any medical evidence.

Appointments:

Please ensure that an appointment card/letter has been shared with the school prior to the appointment. Where an emergency appointment has been arranged please obtain an appointment card upon your visit.

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