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Dear Parents / Carers

End of Term 2 Newsletter

I hope this end of term update finds you and your families well and looking forward to the Christmas break.

2025 was an amazing year for TMS. Our pupils, deservedly, received great GCSE results and made us proud when presenting them with their certificates and awards at our **Certificate Presentation Evening**. This success is only possible because of your incredible support, our hard-working staff and of course our wonderful pupils, thank you to you all.



Sports updates

This has been another great term for TMS sports teams:

Year 7 Football Team

Well done to our year 7 boys who finished 3rd in the year 7 football tournament held in October.



Year 8 Football Team

Opening round of the Kent Cup.

This was the first time this group had played 11 a side together. The game was incredibly tight and both teams could have been ahead at half-time but TMS stepped up after half-time and the magic arrived....2-1 win. The boys went on to win their next game 3-0.



Year 9 Football Team

Our year 9 boys football team showed real discipline and resilience in the Kent Cup, earning them a place in the next round.... 3-2 win.



Year 10 Football Team

League winners – 5 games, 5 wins, 15 goals scored and Only 3 conceded. These performances have shown a depth and character within this team.



Year 11 Football Team

Kent Cup

Another amazing fixture which saw TMS draw the game 4-4. The match was decided on penalties and we lost in cruel fashion.



Under 16s League showdown

An impressive victory and a statement performance from our U16s. A superb display from a group of boys who genuinely love playing football together. 7-2 win.



Year 7 Boys Rugby

December saw our year 7s play in their first ever rugby tournament. During the tournament they achieved a 5-0 win and a 10-10 draw. They represented TMS brilliantly.



Year 8 Boys Rugby

December also saw our year 8 boys play in their rugby tournament. During their tournament they achieved 10-0, 20-5 and 20-0 victories. These boys showed superb teamwork and communication. They produced a fantastic advert for school rugby.



Year 11 Rugby

From the first minute of this game, the boys know it was going to be a battle but they showed unbelievable character and won 12-10.



U14s Girls Football Team

This newly established team is very solid and have won their first two games within the league, 2-0 and 8-0. What a fabulous achievement.



Year 7 Netball Team

Our year 7s are a new team, training hard together since September and it showed in their fixture which they came away with an incredible win of 18-0.



Year 8 Netball Team

Our year 8 team showed up to training every week and are very supportive of each other. Another amazing win of 22-1.



Year 9 Netball Team

Well done to this great team, you gave it your all!



Year 10 Netball Team

Well done to our year 10 Netball Team, who have work so hard to achieve great results.



Mountain Bike Club

The team have been exploring the back field and around the very overgrown paths in the woods, which proved to be an extreme course! Pupils had to traverse banks, slopes, mounds and fallen trees (which they had to dismount and climb over - but this added to the fun!) but they worked extremely hard to do it. They were wet, they were muddy but they had a great time.

Plans are progressing for the students to spend the winter months developing the course, including adding some jumps and banks!





Look out for news on our Golf Academy coming soon!

TMS Sea Cadets

Congratulations to TMS Sea Cadets who attended two Remembrance parades, one at East Malling and one at West Malling. Our Cadets led the parade which was attended by many veterans and dignitaries, including the Mayor of Tonbridge and Malling and The Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Kent. They did themselves and our school proud.



TMS Sea Cadets also took part in a major civic parade in Tunbridge Wells in October. This was to celebrate the district Trafalgar day and also to receive the freedom of the borough from the Mayor. This was attended by many VIP's. Our Cadets were complimented on their smartness and military bearing, along with the massive effort they put in both on parade and marching around the town.



Performing Arts

Our year 12 and 13 Performing Arts students took part in a practical workshop from Frantic Assembly. Frantic Assembly is a renowned physical theatre company celebrated for its highly energetic and collaborative style. They are perhaps best known for their work on *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, where they created the distinctive physical movement sequences that brought the play's world to life.

Our students are currently studying Frantic Assembly as part of their Unit 1 BTEC Performing Arts exam, and this workshop gave them invaluable insight into the company's devising methods and physical techniques.



TMS Band

Our school band were invited to play at the Leybourne Grange Riding School Nativity event. The Nativity is a magical moment and we are honoured to be invited each year.



TMS Choir

Our school choir was invited to take part in a Christmas Gospel concert with Gospel Touch, an award-winning Gospel choir. This was an amazing opportunity for our singers to collaborate with a professional choir, and to experience a live performance.

Our students performed one song on their own and then one they sang with the Gospel choir.

After this event our choir was invited to perform their solo song at our Certificate Celebration evening for ex-students who completed their GCSE exams last year.



Christmas Production – Snow White

Our Performing Arts team and pupils did another amazing job of putting together a great production for the end of term. Many local primary schools came to watch our matinees and the children's faces beamed with excitement as they enjoyed themselves.

Our evening productions received an enthusiastic response from parents and the local community. The energy was infectious and at the end of the evening everyone left with a joyful Christmas spirit.



Staffing Update

Mrs Lopez, our wonderful Spanish teacher, will be leaving us at the end of this term. We wish her all the best in her future.

We say a very fond farewell to Mrs Hanmore who will be leaving us after 14 years of loyal service to TMS. Mrs Hanmore was a valuable member of our science department before moving on to becoming an Associate Assistant Headteacher at TMS. We wish her well in her promotion as a Vice Principal.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support throughout this past term. Your encouragement and involvement make such a meaningful difference, and we truly appreciate everything you do.

I would like to wish you and your families a very happy and restful Christmas holiday and look forward to welcoming our pupils back in the New Year (Monday 5th January).

Yours sincerely

John Vennart
Headteacher