MALONE MONTHLY

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OUR SCHOOL - OUR STORIES

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 15th October –Carson Awards
Tuesday 20th October – Dress up Day
Junior Halloween Neon Disco
Wednesday 21st October – Last day for all Students
Thursday 22nd October – Parent/Teacher Meetings
Year 11 & 14 ONLINE
(no pupils to attend)
Friday 23rd October – Staff Development Day
(no pupils to attend)
Monday 2nd November – Return to school for all pupils



A MESSAGE FROM MRS LESLIE



September has certainly got the new school year off to a flying start at Malone Integrated College!
It has been wonderful to see our new Year 8 pupils settle so confidently into college life, forming new friendships, embracing new subjects and already becoming an important part of the Malone family.
We are equally proud of our Year 11 and Year 13 pupils as they step up to the challenges of GCSE and A Level study, we encourage them to aim high, work hard and make the most of every opportunity.
Beyond the classroom, September has been packed with activity, with pupils getting involved in sport, clubs, leadership opportunities, trips, enrichment activities and events celebrating the diversity and community spirit that make Malone such a special place.
Our aspirational Presentation Afternoon was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate achievement, raise aspirations and encourage our pupils to aim high, believe in themselves and recognise their potential for future success.
It has been so encouraging to see so many pupils getting involved and representing the College with enthusiasm and pride.
A new school year brings new opportunities, new challenges and new memories to make.
Let's build on this fantastic start and make 2026/27 another year to be proud of.
#WeAreMalone

PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY CONNECTED THROUGH OUR SOCIAL MEDIA AND SIMS APP

learning for life together

UNIVERSITY ROADSHOW VISITS POST-16 STUDENTS

At the start of the new academic year, our Post-16 students welcomed a University Roadshow, giving them the opportunity to speak directly with representatives from a range of universities. Students gained valuable information about courses, entry requirements, student life, and future career pathways, helping them to make informed decisions about their next steps. The event was a fantastic opportunity to inspire students and encourage them to start planning for their future.







YEAR 8 PARENT / CARER INFORMATION SESSION

As students settle into life at Malone, we were delighted to welcome Year 8 parents and carers to our recent Information Session. The event provided an opportunity for families to meet key staff, learn more about school routines and expectations, and gain insight into the support available to help students make a successful transition to post-primary education.
The session also allowed parents and carers to ask questions and build connections with the school community. We would like to thank everyone who attended and look forward to working in partnership throughout the year to ensure our Year 8 students enjoy a happy, successful, and rewarding experience at Malone.

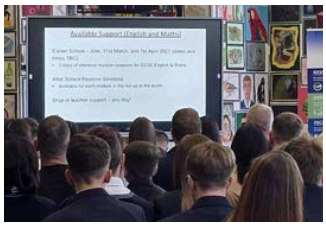




YEAR 11 PARENT/CARER INFORMATION SESSION







We were delighted to welcome so many parents and guardians to our recent Year 11 Information Session. The excellent turnout reflected the strong support our young people receive as they begin this important stage of their education.
The session provided families with key information on English and Maths support, examination preparations, and important dates for the year ahead. Thank you to everyone who attended. We look forward to working in partnership with parents and guardians to support our Year 11 pupils throughout the year.

YEAR 8 AND 9 PUPILS DEVELOP THEIR CULINARY SKILLS







The Home Economics department has been buzzing with activity as our Year 8 and Year 9 pupils developed their practical cookery skills through a range of delicious recipes.

Year 8 pupils enjoyed making hot chocolate and colourful fruit skewers, learning about healthy eating, food preparation, and kitchen safety while creating tasty treats. The classes showed great enthusiasm and creativity, with everyone delighted to sample their finished products.

Meanwhile, Year 9 pupils put their culinary skills to the test by preparing savoury rice.

As they followed recipes and practised essential cooking techniques, pupils gained confidence in the kitchen while learning about balanced meals and the importance of good nutrition.

It has been wonderful to see our pupils engaging so positively in Home Economics, developing valuable life skills and enjoying the rewards of cooking their own food.

PAST PUPILS RETURN TO SUPPORT SCHOOL WEBSITE



We were delighted to welcome back former pupils Bea and Keaton, who recently returned to Malone to help create content for our school website.

Bea and Keaton spent time capturing photographs, gathering stories and showcasing the many opportunities available to pupils across the school. Their enthusiasm, creativity and first-hand knowledge of life at Malone made them the perfect ambassadors to help share our school community with a wider audience.

It was wonderful for current pupils and staff to see two former students giving back to the school and using the skills they have developed since leaving Malone. We are extremely grateful for their support and look forward to seeing the fantastic content they have helped to create featured on our website.

A huge thank you to Bea and Keaton for their time, professionalism and continued connection to the Malone community.

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES



To celebrate European Day of Languages, pupils have been set the challenge of decorating a plate and researching facts about a European country. Once completed, the plates will be displayed around the school to showcase the rich variety of languages, cultures and traditions across Europe. We look forward to seeing the finished creations!

SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH QUB

A group of our pupils have been given an exciting opportunity to take part in the Sports Academy programme through Queen's University Belfast.
Throughout the academy, participants will have the chance to build confidence, develop teamwork and leadership skills, and gain an insight into the excellent sporting facilities and opportunities available at university level.
We are delighted that our pupils have been selected to take part in this valuable experience and look forward to following their progress and achievements throughout the programme. We wish them every success as they make the most of this fantastic opportunity.



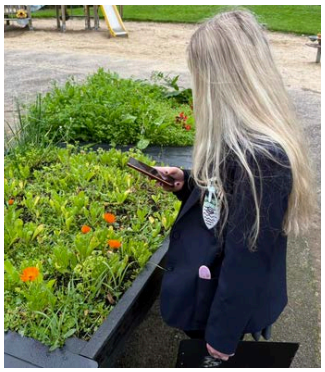




TAKE NOTICE!



Year 11 pupils taking part in the OCN Climate Action programme recently challenged themselves to slow down, look closer, and appreciate the natural world around them. Through observation and photography, they captured the small details in nature that often go unnoticed in our busy daily lives.
From intricate patterns in leaves to the beauty of everyday plants and wildlife, pupils discovered that taking time to pause and pay attention can reveal a whole new perspective. It was a valuable reminder that sometimes the most interesting things are right in front of us, if we simply take notice.

Sometimes, you just need to slow down and look closer.

A BRIGHT START FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY

Our brand-new A-Level Environmental Technology course is officially underway, and students have wasted no time getting hands-on with their learning. As part of their preparation for the upcoming controlled assessment, the class designed and built working windmills to test and analyse wind speeds.
This practical activity brought renewable energy concepts to life and gave students valuable experience applying their knowledge in a real-world context. We are delighted with the enthusiasm and commitment shown by our first-ever Environmental Technology cohort and look forward to seeing their continued success.



A GREAT START TO EXTRA-CURRICULAR LIFE

It's fantastic to see our extra-curricular programme up and running for another year, with so many pupils already getting involved in the wide range of activities on offer. From Girls' and Boys' Football, Basketball and Gym Club to Art, Sign Language, Singing, Drama and Lego Club, there has been a fantastic turnout across the board. We are also delighted to introduce some exciting new opportunities this year, including Pickleball and Cross Country, giving pupils even more ways to stay active, develop new skills and make new friends.

Whether you enjoy sport, creativity, performance, languages or problem-solving, there really is something for everyone. Be sure to check out the extra-curricular clubs timetable and find an activity that interests you. We look forward to seeing even more pupils getting involved throughout the year!







EXTRACURRICULAR TIMETABLE

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Junior Art Club Room 26	Junior Boys Basketball Sports Hall	Drama Club Room 21
Gym Club Gym	Sign Language Room 6	Junior Girls Basketball Sports Hall
Year 8 & 9 Boys Football Pitch	Girls Football Pitch	Cross Country Sports Hall
Book Club Bilingual Room	Lego Club Room 2	Year 11 & 12 Boys Football Pitch
Pickleball Sports Hall	Sport Changes Life Sports Hall After Christmas	Year 10 Boys Football Pitch
Singing Club (Year 8-10) Music Room		

Watch out for Seasonal Cookery Opportunities!

BILINGUAL SUPPORT

Available in the Bilingual Room every morning, both lunches, and after school on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday

SENIOR SCHOOL AFTERSCHOOL SUPPORT

SENIOR ART CLUB
TUESDAY ROOM 28 & THURSDAY ROOM 24

VOCATIONAL BUSINESS
TUESDAY & THURSDAY MOBILE 3

BUSINESS HOMEWORK CLUB
WEDNESDAY ROOM 46

MUSIC PERFORMANCE SKILLS YR 11-14
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER-MARCH

MUSIC LUNCH CLUBS

MONDAY & TUESDAY LUNCHTIME
12.30-1PM - YEAR 8 SINGING
YEAR 11-14 PERFORMING GROUPS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY LUNCHTIME
1.10-1.40PM - YEAR 9 & 10 SINGING
YEAR 12 PERFORMING GROUPS

CELEBRATING SUCCESS AT MALONE

Our annual Presentation Afternoon was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our pupils and recognise the dedication and support of staff across the school. Awards were presented across a range of categories, recognising academic achievement, attendance, leadership and contribution to school life.

The event was made even more special by performances from our talented choir and band, who entertained everyone with a fantastic musical programme.

We were also delighted to welcome the Lord Mayor of Belfast, Róis-Máire Donnelly, as our guest speaker. Her inspiring words helped make the afternoon a memorable occasion as we reflected on another successful year at Malone and celebrated the many accomplishments of our school community.








LIVERPOOL JOHN MOORES NURSING TASTER DAY

Our Year 13 students recently enjoyed an exciting trip to Belfast Model School for Girls to take part in a Liverpool John Moores University Nursing Taster Day. Throughout the day, pupils engaged in a range of practical activities designed to give them a real insight into life as a nursing student and healthcare professional. The hands-on sessions allowed students to explore key nursing skills, learn more about patient care, and gain a better understanding of the rewarding opportunities available within the profession.

The experience provided valuable information for those considering a future career in healthcare and offered a fantastic opportunity to experience university-level learning in a supportive and engaging environment. We thank Liverpool John Moores University and Belfast Model School for Girls for hosting such an informative and inspiring event.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM SETS THE COURSE FOR THE YEAR AHEAD




Our Student Leadership Team recently held their first meeting of the academic year, led by Mrs Hamilton, in the school's newly refurbished conference room.

The meeting provided an opportunity for student leaders to come together, share their ideas, and discuss their hopes and ambitions for the year ahead. With a strong focus on representing the student voice, the team explored ways to enhance school life, support their peers, and contribute positively to the Malone community.

The enthusiasm, creativity, and commitment shown by the students was inspiring, and we look forward to seeing their plans develop over the coming months.

This first meeting marks the beginning of what promises to be an exciting and productive year for our Student Leadership Team.



CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT AT MALONE



At Malone Integrated College, our badge system is a great way to recognise and celebrate the many achievements, contributions and milestones of our pupils. From academic success and leadership roles to attendance, extracurricular involvement and special achievements, every badge tells a story.
Meet our Deputy Head Girl Rosie and Senior Prefect Hannah proudly showcasing some of the badges they have earned throughout their time at Malone. Their collections reflect years of hard work, commitment and active participation in school life, demonstrating the wide range of opportunities available to all pupils.
The badge system encourages students to get involved, challenge themselves and take pride in their accomplishments. Whether it's a first badge or one of many, each one represents dedication, growth and success on their journey through Malone Integrated College.

MENTAL HEALTH AMBASSADORS BEGIN TAKE 5 LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

Developing leadership skills while promoting positive mental health is a fantastic opportunity for our students. This week, our Year 13 Mental Health Ambassadors began their Take 5 Leadership Programme, delivered by Joe from TAMHI.
During the session, students took part in a range of practical mental health games and activities designed to encourage wellbeing, resilience and positive conversations around mental health. Over the coming school year, our ambassadors will use the skills and resources gained through the programme to deliver these engaging sessions to younger pupils, helping to foster a supportive and positive school community.
We look forward to seeing the impact our Mental Health Ambassadors will make as they take on this important leadership role.





HOSTING THE CARSON AWARDS

We are delighted to be hosting the Carson Awards on behalf of the IEF. This special event celebrates schools that have received bursaries to develop and deliver integration projects, as well as those who have been recognised through the Carson Awards for their outstanding commitment to promoting inclusion, respect, and understanding.
We are proud to welcome pupils, staff, and guests as we celebrate the fantastic work taking place across schools to build stronger connections and create more inclusive communities. We look forward to an inspiring and memorable day.

FRIDAY TREATS FOR GEOGRAPHY STUDENTS

Our Year 13 Geography students look forward to Fridays for more than just the weekend! Each week, Mr Talbot kindly treats the class to hot chocolate and biscuits, creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere to end the week. This thoughtful gesture gives students the chance to relax, chat, and enjoy some time together while continuing their studies. Thank you, Mr Talbot, for helping to make Friday afternoons a little sweeter!



CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE AT MALONE

At Malone Integrated College, we are proud to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of our Students. Through hard work, dedication, and a commitment to excellence, pupils consistently demonstrate what can be achieved through perseverance and determination.
This recognition highlights not only academic success but also the positive attitudes, resilience, and ambition that help our students reach their full potential.

TOP 20 STUDENTS THIS YEAR SO FAR!

Name	Points
Clodagh-Mae	120
Domhnall	114
Ellen	113
Daniel	107
Oreofeoluwa	107
Tierna	104
Indie	104
Odhran	103
Jacob	102
Jamaica	102
Sophie	101
Aoife	101
Austin	100
Boston	99
Callum	99
Daisy	98
Sophia	97
Lexi	97
Hilton	96
Zara	96





PEN WINNERS










HALLOWEEN
SCHOOL
DRESS UP DAY!
TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER
You can take part by wearing either:
FANCY DRESS
OR
NON-UNIFORM
WITH HALLOWEEN ACCESSORIES
(OR FANCY DRESS ACCESSORIES)
Hats
Headbands
Masks
Accessories
or be as creative as you like!
We know that not everyone celebrates Halloween, and that's okay! You can still take part by wearing non-uniform with a Halloween accessory or a fancy dress accessory instead.
PRIZES FOR THE BEST DRESSED!


TUCK SHOP
FACEPAINTING
OUTFIT COMPETITION
TATTOO'S
NEON ACCESSORIES SHOP
JUNIOR
NEON
HALLOWEEN
DISCO
6PM-8PM
TUESDAY 20th OCTOBER
TICKETS £1
(ticket price includes neon wristband, drink & treats from the Tuck Shop)
AVAILABLE TO BUY IN CANTEEN DURING BREAK OR ANYTIME FROM SCHOOL OFFICE FROM THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER


Halloween Events
TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER
FULL SCHOOL FANCY DRESS OR NON UNIFORM WITH HALLOWEEN ACCESSORIES FULL SCHOOL DAY
ART COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED - BREAKTIME IN CANTEEN
SPOOKY LUNCH SPECIAL - CANTEEN
JUNIOR SCHOOL DISCO - ASSEMBLY HALL 6-8PM


RAISE HER VOICE
Public Speaking Competition for Girls in Years 12 and 13
Ready to raise your voice and be heard?
Step up. Speak out. Shine.
13th October '26
Drama Suite
Register your interest with Ms Dutton.
Call into room 42 for more information.