



Sixth Form

Where Linda Hamilton stands at one door to welcome new boys into the School at the start of their MGS adventure, I stand at another to send them on their way, but as confident, independent, successful young men, ready to take their place on a wider stage.



For most, it will mean moving on to the next step of their studies at university, and our aim is that every student who leaves MGS is able to go to the university of his choice. We offer a Sixth Form which stimulates and challenges boys intellectually,

which encourages independence of thought and action, and which offers positions of responsibility and the opportunity to acquire new skills.

MGS is noted for its academic distinction, and we want our boys to appreciate and value the life of the mind. We encourage them to look beyond the narrow requirements of their examination syllabuses, to be self-questioning and to work out where their real interests and passions lie.

We encourage them to read – still the best way of acquiring understanding – but also to speak, to engage in debate, to put forward and defend their views. We believe that in today's world young men must be articulate and have good presentation skills if they are to succeed; whether our boys choose IB or A-level, they have opportunities to develop in all of these ways.

The transition into the Sixth Form is not always an easy one, and the two Heads of Year and their teams of form tutors do a fantastic job in supporting the boys, keeping them on track and encouraging them in their initiatives. We are a school, not a Sixth Form college, and expect all boys to play their full part in the wider school community. Most will become prefects, serving or leading in ways which suit their strengths, and also discover and develop talents which they did not know they had.

We ask all boys in our Sixth Form to undertake some form of regular service, whether organised through MGS or in their own home communities; through this they discover more of their place in society, the privilege of their education and the responsibility which accompanies privilege.

I am proud, as I usher boys through the door into the world beyond MGS, to see how far they have come, and how much promise they hold for the future.

Patrick Thom

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