

MALONE MONTHLY

February/March 2024



MESSAGE FROM MALONE

Welcome to our latest newsletter. Once again things have been busy in Malone as you will see when you read on. We hope everyone has a wonderful Easter break and are ready for another exciting and busy term when they return on Monday 8th April. Please keep a note of the important dates below. You may also want to ensure you follow us on all our social media platforms as they are always updated with important dates and current events.

We are now heading towards exam season, we would encourage all students to study hard and prepare well for these, so that they can be rewarded with the attainment they deserve.

Lastly we would like to thank all our staff and pupils for their hard work this term and our parents/guardians for their continued support. We wish you all a happy and peaceful break.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27th March - 5th April	Easter Holidays
8th April	Whole school in attendance
8th April-12th April	GCE art assessment
15th April	Year 12 GCSE Maths Mock Assessment
16th April	Year 12 GCSE English Mock Assessment
18th April	Year 11 GCSE English Mock Assessment
19th April	Year 11 GCSE Maths Mock Assessment
26th April	Year 12 GCSE Music Practical Exam
1st May	Year 8 Parent Teacher meeting ONLINE 9am-11am (NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL)
1st May	Year 11 Parent Teacher meeting ONLINE 1pm-3pm (NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL)
1st May	(NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL)
2nd-3rd May	Staff Development days (SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS)
6th May	May Day holiday school closed

PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY CONNECTED THROUGH OUR



SOCIAL MEDIA AND SIMS APP

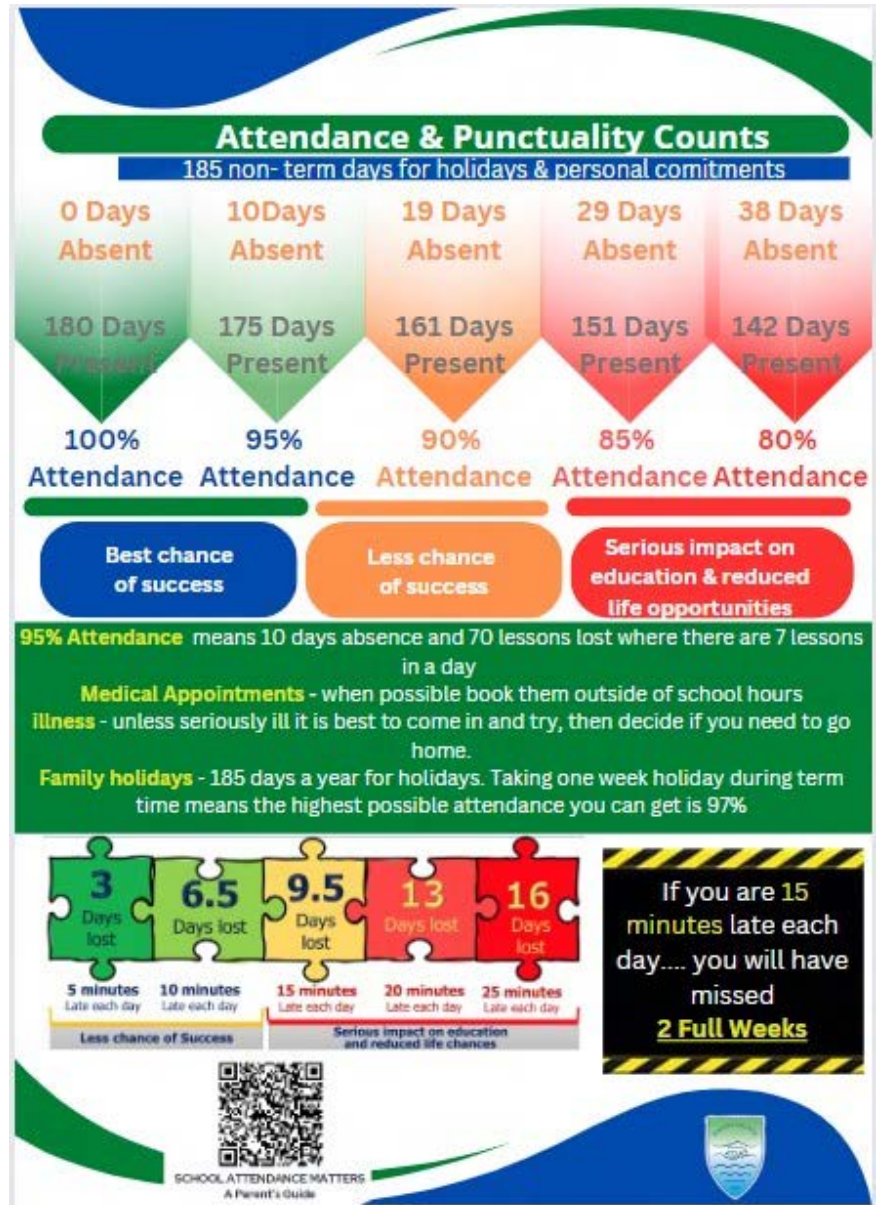


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ENCOURAGING EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE

This term we have been focusing on encouraging excellent attendance among all our students. Attendance and punctuality are extremely important for academic achievement, establishing routine, social development, preparation for the future and maximizing opportunities. Parents and guardians play a vital role in encouraging and supporting excellent attendance, by communicating your expectations, encouraging your child and staying involved and informed about your child's progress. Those pupils who achieved 95% between 19th February and 22nd April were entered into a draw to win a £25 One4All gift voucher, there were 2 available per year group.



We held an assembly on Friday 23rd March to draw the winners electronically. Well done to everyone who has made an improvement on their attendance and a huge well done to our prize winners! Remember to use your vouchers promptly!

Joseph 8O, Maisie 8L
Lilyanna 9L, Lillie 9M
Jamie 10M, Lucas 10L
Liam 11M, Ropa, 11M
Katie 12M, Morgan 12A
Adam 13A, Keely 13A
Caolan 14A, Jethro 14A



NI APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

Our Year 13 students were invited to celebrate NI Apprenticeship week. They had the chance to hear from local companies from the construction industry.

Pupils got to chat to employers and hear about upcoming apprenticeship opportunities. They also were involved in breakout activities trying out joinery, roofing, civil engineering, CAD technology and new and emerging technologies



SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES VISIT

Our year 13 students got to hear a very informative and interesting talk from the Scottish Universities tour of Northern Ireland team. Some students already have Scotland in their sights after 6th form and found this talk extremely useful. Thank you to the Scottish Universities Tour team for coming to visit us.



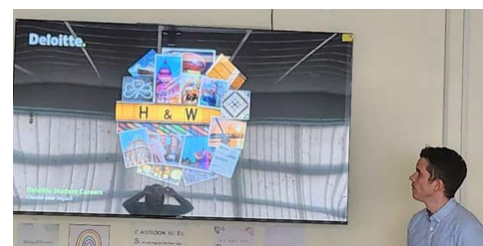
YEAR 12 OPTIONS DAY



We invited our Year 12's to an options day to gather further information about courses they can study at A-Level. Our students found this extremely useful in helping them to make informed decisions about their future.

DELOITTE VISIT

Our year 14 students attended a talk from Deloitte on their offering for Higher Level Apprenticeships. Students and staff found the talk very informative. Thank you to Deloitte for coming in to talk to our year 14's.



SPACE TO LEARN CAREERS CONFERENCE

Year 11 Double award science students enjoyed a trip to W5 to visit the Space to Learn conference where they attended workshops on the use of satellites in modern life, the science of meteors and comets as well as meeting Northern Ireland based companies who are involved in the space industry. They really enjoyed the experience and some of the students were enthusiastic about following a career in these industries.



CREATIVE SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

Our creative schools programme is continuing to be a huge success. Our pupils are enjoying learning new skills and producing their own individual pieces of work. New friendships are being developed and they are growing in confidence individually and when working as a team. Our art department are delighted with the progress our students are making and are looking forward to seeing more progression over the duration of the project. This programme has been supported by the Arts Council through the National Lottery fund.



ECO CLUB

Our Eco-club are continuing to work on their green flag application and improve biodiversity around the school. This term they had the opportunity to plant donated trees around the school grounds.



POST 16 STUDENTS WORK EXPERIENCE

Post 16 students Sidra and Ashanti had the opportunity to join the police force as part of their work experience. They had a taste of everyday life as a police officer. It was an unforgettable experience that they both thoroughly enjoyed. This will help them when deciding their future career and if public service is something they would like to pursue.

YEAR 9 DRAMA WORKSHOP

Young at Art facilitated a fantastic drama workshop with Ms Dutton's Year 9 English class, showcasing how the arts can be great tool to help our well-being.



SCIENCE SHOW WITH DR ROK

We welcomed Dr Rok from the British institute of Great Britain, our pupils engaged in active learning about energy. They enjoyed seeing the physical processes of energy and being involved in the presentation.



WORLD BOOK DAY EVENTS

WORLD BOOK DAY RAFFLE

We held a raffle during the week of World Book Day to raise funds for our school library to buy new books. There were three prizes up for grabs, an Amazon fire 7, and 2 £10 National book vouchers. Our winners are Madison, Maria and Chloe.



AUTHOR VISIT

Our Junior school pupils enjoyed an online visit by Serena Molloy, author of 'Wider Than the Sea'. This was a great opportunity for our students who enjoyed a Q&A with the author.



WHERE'S WALLY?



On world book day we had a 'Where's Wally' hunt during break time in the canteen. There was a buzz of excitement in the air as our pupils searched frantically for the Wally's to receive their sweet treats.



DO UP YOUR DOORS

Our Malone College yearly tradition during world book day is the Year 8 form class challenge, 'Do up your doors'. Year 8 pupils, with the help of their form teacher and classroom assistants decide on a book theme and design a door in their form class. There were some amazing creations this year the winning door was judged by Mrs Moore, Mr Fulton and Mrs McDermott. It was a tough decision but the winning door was 8E. Well done to everyone for putting in lots of effort!



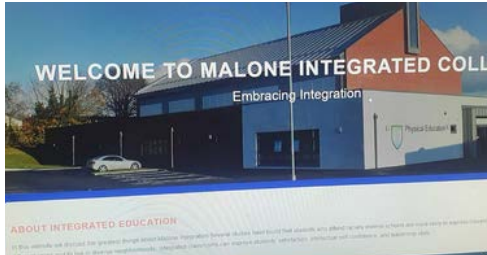
INTEGRATED EDUCATION MONTH

As part of integrated education month our pupils' recognised and celebrated the importance of integrated education through various lessons and activities.

CODING CLUB

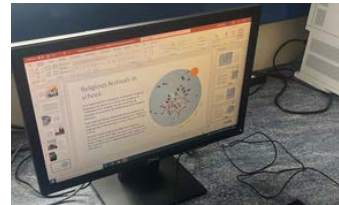
Our Coding Club have been designing and creating a website about celebrating integrated education and the importance of diversity.

Here's some of their work so far.



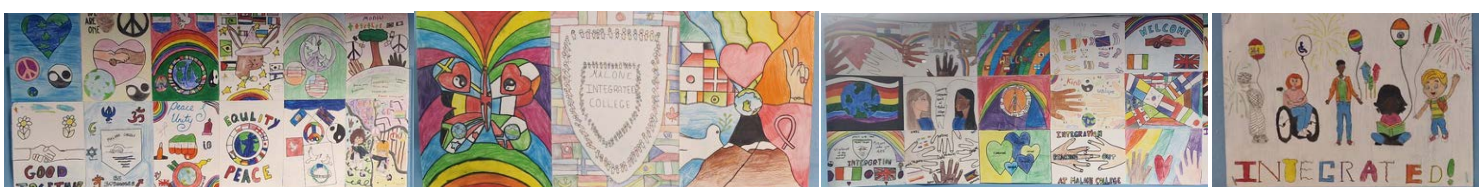
RE LESSONS

Year 12 RE students have been working on creating a presentation to help celebrate Integrated Education Month from the angle of religious festivals- how they are celebrated within the college and what integrated education means to us as individuals.



INTEGRATION POSTER COMPETITION

Annually, our Art department hold a competition for Year 8 pupils to design a poster about integration and what it means to us all. There were some fantastic entries this year and the voting was very hard however, after hours of studying the entries Mr Pendleton, Ms McBeigh and Mr Hurley have chosen the winners who were announced during presentation assembly. Well done to Zac, Alexis and Liana who were placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd and our merit award winners were Kai, Jessica Mc, Jessica O'H.





EASTER EVENTS



To mark the end of term and Easter we planned many fun events for our students, the pupils enjoyed lots of treats! A great way to end the term.

APPRECIATION STATION

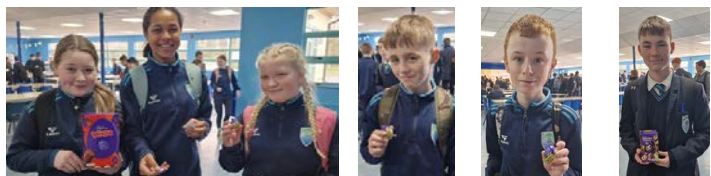


We decided to hold another appreciation station after the success of the last one. This gave our pupils and staff the chance to spread kindness to each other by sending a message with a creme egg. With over a 100 sold there were a lot of happy people.

EGG HUNT

We held another egg hunt this year with paper eggs hidden around the canteen during both lunchtimes. The pupils searched frantically to find the eggs especially the golden one!!

Great fun was had by all!



EASTER TOMBOLA

The canteen held another tombola with large Easter eggs up for grabs. Every student who purchased a breakfast or drink had the chance to pick a ticket. Well done to our winners, we hope you

enjoyed your eggs!



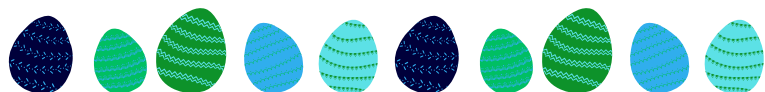
EASTER HOT CHOCOLATE

An Easter special Hot chocolate was on offer at the end of term and proved to be very popular with everyone!



STAFF KINDNESS

One thing that makes Malone so special is the kindness of our staff towards our pupils. Several teachers and classroom assistants bought all their form class Easter eggs before breaking for the holidays and one of our classroom assistants even threw a pizza party for her form class!



SMASHED PROJECT

We welcomed the Smashed Project to speak to Year 8 and 9 pupils about underage drinking. Our pupils enjoyed watching the performance whilst learning about the dangers of drinking, peer pressure and the importance of alcohol education.



YEAR 13 SUICIDE PREVENTION VIDEO LAUNCH

Four Year 14 pupils made an amazing impression at the launch of a children's mental health and suicide awareness video created by pupils from four Belfast and Lisburn schools.

The Malone College pupils along with Year 14 pupils from St Patrick's Academy, Lisnagarvey High School and St Colm's High School developed and shot a video called Listen Up.

The video will be used by the Education Authority as part of a teacher professional learning resource, which will be offered to all schools, to better equip school staff to deal with a child in a mental health crisis. Mustafa from Malone stated in his interview with the BBC that 'mental health is important because not everyone speaks about their problems.' They might laugh it away and the smile can be fake,"

"If you sit down with a teenager and have a deep conversation with them you'll see that they're going through a lot,"

NEXUS PRESENTATION ON CONSENT

We invited nexus to school to present to our senior pupils regarding consent. It was an informative presentation helping our students to understand exactly what consent is and the importance of knowing this.



WORKFORCE CAREERS DAY

Our Year 12's had the opportunity to attend the workforce careers day to get more information about careers for their future.



IEF DONATION

A huge thank you to the Integrated Education Fund for their donation of furniture and bins for our school.





Hall Of Fame



Last year Eoin and Ethan's mum went through breast cancer. A local charity 'Pretty in Pink' helped the family through the journey. To raise money for this charity they held a Zumbathon which raised £6300. Eoin and Ethan's mum said they have been an amazing support, showing great strength and courage throughout it all. They were a great help during the Zumbathon and she is so proud of them! So are we!
Well done Eoin and Ethan!



Lucas was a finalist in the Hope4life Uber heroes kindness awards at La Mon Hotel, he placed 3rd in his category!
Well done Lucas!



Lakota's south Belfast youth league select team beat Dublin's in the Quarter finals and are now in the semi-finals.! Fantastic news!



We have been following Jessica's progress in boxing and are thrilled to announce that she has qualified for the All Ireland Championships!
Well done Jessica!
You have our full support!



Aleia and Alesa from 8L have made it through to play for NI Football team! Fantastic! Well done and Good luck!

AMAZING

We love hearing all about our pupils' achievements outside school. Please keep us updated by messaging the FB page, ringing the school 02890381988 or email info@malonccollege.org.uk

ACHIEVEMENTS

2024 JAN

Top Performing STUDENTS

YEAR 8	Top 3 Students LILIANNA MCKEOWN 387 JOSEPH CAHILL 346 MADISON DRAIN 330
YEAR 9	Top 3 Students CONNIE SHANKS 325 KHYRAN SHANNON-KING 308 FRANKIE MASSEY 291
YEAR 10	Top 3 Students AHMED AL-NATIG 301 SOFIA PARPAUTA 279 DYLAN GREGG 278
YEAR 11	Top 3 Students JESSICA J-S 266 SAMANTA STRAVINSKAITE 262 MEGAN WALSH 258
YEAR 12	Top 3 Students JACK LAVERTY 221 MORGAN GILPIN 191 REBEKAH WATSON 185
SIXTH FORM	Top 3 Students RUWAYDAH GHANNAM 107 KEELY KIRK 106 GURBANI KAUR MEHAR 88

FORM CLASS OF THE MONTH 9E 353 POINTS

2024 FEB

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YEAR 12	Top 3 Students JACK LAVERTY 262 REBEKAH WATSON 224 LEO TULLY 198
SIXTH FORM	Top 3 Students RUWAYDAH GHANNAM 123 KEELY KIRK 107 GURBANI KAUR MEHAR 91

FORM CLASS OF THE MONTH 8O 572 POINTS

BRONZE / SILVER BADGE ACHIEVERS



HALF TERM HEROES

YEAR 8



YEAR 10



YEAR 9



YEAR 11

M OSAZEMEN BELLO
A NIA HUGHES
L KATIE MCCLEMENTS
O LAURA PATTERSON
N HANNAH ZALEWSKI
E RAYAN SHEIKH

CLASS OF THE TERM



8L Ms McBeigh



9O Mrs Patton



10O Miss McPeake



11E Ms Dutton



12A Mr Clarke

YEAR 12



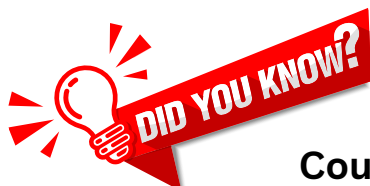
This month we are speaking



Yoruba



English	Yoruba
Hello	<u>Bawo</u>
Please	Jow
Thank you	E dupe
Goodbye	O <u>dabo</u>



Language: **Yoruba**

Number of Native Speakers: **45 million approx**

Countries spoken: **Nigeria, Benin & Togo**

Type of Language: **Yoruboid family**

World Ranking: **49th**

Yoruba words similar to English: **Koop=Cup, Foonu=Phone, Boolu=Ball**

Telifisoonu=Television

Yoruba Ambassadors

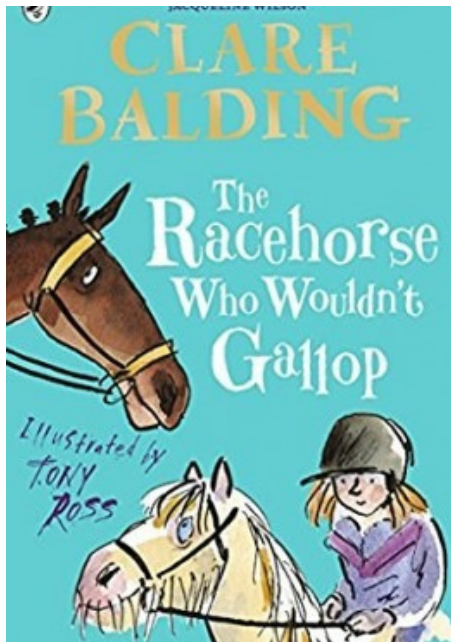
Meet David & Demi our
Yoruba Ambassadors!



BOOK OF THE MONTH

The Racehorse Who Wouldn't Gallop - Clare Balding

Charlie Bass is a horse-mad ten-year-old who dreams of owning her own pony. So when she accidentally manages to buy a racehorse, Charlie is thrilled. The horse she buys, Noble Warrior, looks the part: strong, fit and healthy. There's just one problem - he won't gallop. In fact, he won't even leave his stable without his best friend, a naughty palomino pony called Percy.



Review by one of our Reading Ambassadors: Amy, 9E

“This is such a beautiful book, I loved it! It genuinely made me feel emotional when it ended.

Clare Balding has written a great book with a strong message of hard work and the importance of family. It is funny and entertaining and I would totally recommend everyone to read it!”

There is a copy available from the school library.