

MALONE MONTHLY

February 2023



EXAM EXCELLENCE

It has been another busy month in Malone with lots happening in and outside of school. We have welcomed many organisations in to provide our students with an array of teaching methods to ensure learning is fun and engaging and our pupils have benefitted from trips to different establishments to explore many career options.

We began the term on a very positive note with our students obtaining over 70% pass rate A*-C in their core subjects. We are so proud of them all and the effort they have put into their GCSE courses so far! Keep up the good work!



ENTREPRENEURS IN THE MAKING!

Our Young Enterprise students attended the Big Market Trade Fair at the beginning of the month and took it by storm! They sold handmade gifts for Valentine's Day in Castlecourt and were very successful. Year 14 pupil, Sun, won 'Outstanding Salesperson' and one of the groups won 'Most Innovative Product'. A huge well done to our young entrepreneurs!



SPRINGBOARD TEAMBUILDING WORKSHOP

We welcomed Springboard back to facilitate a teambuilding and wellbeing workshop with our Year 11's. Everyone had a great time and put in a lot of effort during the activities.



FILM MAKING WITH THE IEF

Two of our Moving Image Art students Vincent and Corey were asked to assist The Integrated Education Fund in producing their 'Integration Works' promotional video. Andrew and Laura from the IEF thanked them for doing such a great job and being so patient!



SAFER INTERNET DAY



The whole school explored their understanding of safe internet practise during 'Safer Internet Day'. Students put their knowledge to the test and competed online to establish their understanding of how to safely operate online. This provided an excellent chance to discuss ideas and questions about how students might use the internet. Year 9 loved competing in their digital skills lessons to show off their knowledge!

ERASMUS MAKE SENSE PROGRAMME

We held a fantastic multiplier event as part of our ErasmusMKSense project. We enjoyed listening to all our guest speakers. We welcomed back past pupil Jim Conlon from The Conlon Group, Michael Mc Cabe from Sport Changes Life, Nicole Irvine from Belfast City Council and the star of the show, our very own Laura Blackledge who discussed social entrepreneurship to a captive audience. We are looking forward to visiting Italy later this year with our European partners from Slovenia, Romania and Italy as part of this project.



LANGUAGES WEEK NI 30TH JANUARY - 3RD FEBRUARY

In collaboration with Queen's University, our Year 9 pupils took part in a poster competition to highlight the importance of language skills in the workplace. The in-school winners were as follows:

1st Ilona D 9M

2nd Ahmad S 9M

3rd Sofia P 9M

Runners-up were Magda Kutek, Artemis Nikolo, Haneen Mohamed, Paula Lacatus, Casie Leigh Shields, Grace Denver and Alex Kijewska. Well done to all involved. All ten finalists will have their work judged by NICILT at Queen's in the overall NI schools' competition. Good luck everyone!

Ms McIntyre



Our bilingual centre challenged the whole school to take part in a 'Guess the Language' competition as part of Languages Week NI. They created 14 short clips of different sayings in a range of our pupils' first language. Everyone enjoyed taking part in this tricky challenge.

Well done!

Congratulations to
Meghan
and Samanta our
two winners.



SPANISH TRIP APRIL 2023



The Spanish department will embark on a four day trip to Barcelona on 4th-7th of April. There are 65 pupils participating in this amazing opportunity, accompanied by six members of teaching staff. We will explore Barcelona and see all it's famous attractions including Nou Camp Stadium, Las Ramblas, La Sagrada Familia, Parc Guell and Barcelona Aquarium. We also look forward to day trips to the beautiful coastal city of Tarragona and the theme park Port Aventura. I would like to remind parents of those involved that the final payment instalment is now due. There will be a meeting for parents in March to discuss final trip arrangements.

Ms McIntyre
Head of Spanish

A SAD FAREWELL TO MISS HUGHES



Unfortunately we had to say goodbye to Miss Hughes who is returning to work as a Primary School teacher. Miss Hughes began working in Malone three years ago as English and Maths support for our students and has been an amazing asset to our School. We are very sad to lose Miss Hughes but we wish her well on her new journey. Before she left we asked her a few questions about our her time at Malone.

What is your favourite moment in Malone?

I started mid pandemic, so it was tough getting to know staff, as we had to keep our distance. I think a favourite moment was when we were allowed to meet in the staff room and interact again. I have made friends for life at Malone and I will certainly miss all the staff and pupils.

What is special about Malone?

I had never worked in a secondary school before, so I did not know what to expect. However, I had heard that it was a great school with amazing staff. It is a school that I will never forget, it has provided me with great opportunities and I have developed as a teacher. There is just a real positive feel from the all the staff and pupils, as soon as I met Mrs Moore on my first day, I knew I was going to love it here.

What is the one thing every parent should know about Malone?

There are so many things that our pupils' parents should know. Malone is probably the best school I have worked in. From senior leadership team to support staff, they are all in it together to provide the best education and pastoral care for all pupils. I feel so grateful to have worked alongside an outstanding team.

I'll miss you all!

Nicole



Hall Of Fame

Laura had the opportunity to visit the UN and we asked her to tell us a bit about her experience. "It was an honour to represent NI Youth Forum at the 2023 United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, alongside other young people from Northern Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales, and Jersey. I'm so grateful that we were able to speak on the lack of mental health support as well as how the legacy of the conflict has affected children and young people's mental health. It was also very eye opening to hear what problems young people face in the other jurisdictions, as well as interacting with adults who actually listened and cared about what we had to say."

Laura B Year 14



Congratulations to Eoin and Ethan who were awarded their brown and purple belt after completing their graded assessments in Karate.



APPRECIATION STATION

To celebrate Children's Mental Health Week 2023 we held an appreciation station organised by our student leadership team. Pupils and staff could purchase sweets and a heart to leave a message of appreciation to the pupil or staff of their choice. There was a great response and it was lovely to see the reaction of all the recipients! Especially Miss McBride who was shown lots of appreciation from her Year 12 Form Class!



SUFFOLK DAY CENTRE VALENTINES VISIT



Our Post 16 students enjoyed a lovely morning with The Suffolk Day Centre making Valentine's cards and tissue paper flowers.

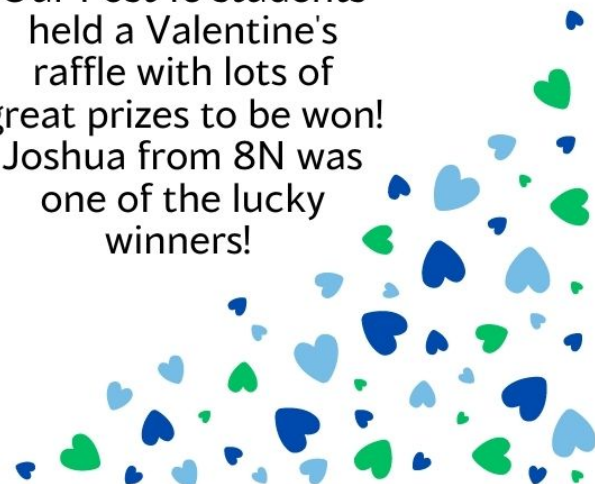
VALENTINE TREATS

Year 12 Hospitality class baked and decorated love heart meringues as a Valentine treat, some lucky staff members were treated to try them, they were delicious!



VALENTINES RAFFLE

Our Post 16 students held a Valentine's raffle with lots of great prizes to be won! Joshua from 8N was one of the lucky winners!



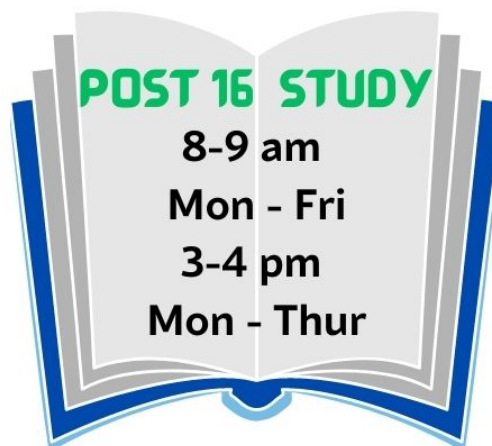
EMBRACING TALENT

Our Year 13 students took part in a programme called Embracing Talent. They worked on communication skills which was lots of fun. They learnt how to communicate effectively and work as a team.



APPRENTICESHIP EVENT

A group of Year 12's had the opportunity to attend a 'Build Your Career Apprenticeship Event - Tomorrow's Talent Today' at W5. This event included speakers from Cool FM, Belfast Met and CITB (Construction Training Industry Training Board NI). Our pupils had a enjoyable time learning about different opportunities available after they leave school.



CRUMLIN ROAD GAOL VISIT

Our post 16 students have been involved in the 'Forth Meadow Project' along with the team from Youth Link. They have developed many skills and built a strong team that has raised funds for charity and looked at ways they could help improve the local environment. The celebration of their achievements was held in Crumlin Road Gaol on the 9th February and we are very proud of all their efforts.



GREEN TOKEN VOTE



We are absolutely delighted to announce that we were placed 2nd in the ASDA Foundation Green Token Vote and have received £400. Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for us and support Malone Integrated College and thanks to ASDA Westwood for this opportunity.

ACHIEVEMENTS

ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

STAR PUPILS

Our students are working well gathering up achievement points. The aim is to receive over 250 points to allow them to go on the reward trip at the end of the academic year. There are many students who are well over this mark and guaranteed a place on the trip. Our top 20 students are;

Hannah	10N	355
Saya	9A	341
Ahmed	9N	335
Amir Ali	9N	332
Diana	9O	323
Mazim	9A	311
Lúcás	9A	306
Farham	9N	303
Reece	10N	295
Sophie	9A	294
Eshan	9O	293
Torre	9A	289
Sophia	8O	288
Ali	9A	280
Lacey	9E	280
Jack	9E	279
Khyran	8M	276
Jake	10O	263
Waseem	9N	262
Cathy	8O	260





HALF TERM HEROES



ENGLISH



GEOGRAPHY



Clodagh S Katie F
David M Caolan O'D

MATHS



SPANISH



Ellie S

HOME ECONOMICS



Lacey B
Rosie A

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



Paul B

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Robyn A
Ashlyn H

HOSPITALITY

Tiernan M
Scott B

P.E.



BUSINESS COMMUNICATION



Eliza P

ICT



BILINGUAL



Sheryle

SCIENCE



Jamela C

R.E.



Brooke D

WORKFORCE CAREER DAY

Some of our Year 12 and Post 16 students had the opportunity to visit Workforces' Careers Day. They explored many different careers from painting to making crepes! They especially liked the red Ferrari! It was a great opportunity for them to learn about different career paths available to young people.



WOMEN IN EDUCATION UNCONFERENCE

We welcomed Women in Education for International Women's Day Unconference. Women in Education gathered together to share stories and expertise in their individual field. There were a range of workshops available from Eating disorders, embracing equity, diversity, understanding dyslexia and many more. Mrs Moore and Mrs Kesoglu led a workshop on School of Sanctuary. It was a great opportunity for our staff to make connections with other organisations/schools and expand their knowledge to benefit our pupils.



AMAZON WEB SERVICES - GET IT

Amazon Web Services, GET IT, visited our school to launch the beginning of a new IT programme with our Year 8 students. This will upskill our students in the use of IT and lead to them experiencing how to build Apps. They were all thoroughly engaged and asked a lot of interesting questions! Those who showed enthusiasm and participated most were rewarded with an Amazon water bottle.



SIGN LANGUAGE

We are delighted to have connected with Sign Source. This is a web-based sign language learning system developed by qualified teacher, Anthony Sinclair. We have offered this as an extra curricular activity and the students involved are striving and making great progress. A group of our Post 16 students have also decided to take the course in their spare time to enhance their learning and to become more Deaf aware before leaving school to follow their chosen career path. We are very proud of all the students involved and their willingness to learn this new skill.



CAREER UPDATE

It has been a busy year so far with all the career events happening with various year groups, I wanted to take this opportunity to share some of this with you. Ms Kitchener, Head of Careers.

SIXTH FORM

During September to February both year 13 and 14 have had opportunities to work with many outside agencies taking part in a range of activities to help them with their future plans.

ULSTER UNIVERSITY

Has spent lots of time with year 14 working through various workshops on their next steps, including:

- Preparing them for university information session
- Making informed decisions information session
- Study Skills workshop to help with their exam preparation

BARCLAYS BANK

Gave students information on those vital skills needed for when they go into the world of work and start out on their own, including:

- A CV building workshop
- Looking at Debt information session
- A Money Management information session
- A Financial Planning information session

Alongside everything that UU and Barclays have done, students have had the opportunities to attend a University Roadshow with various Universities from England as well as take part in an employability day helping students develop their employability skills.

YEAR 12

Have been busy working with Generation Innovation on a workshop all about 'skills to pay the bills' along with Ulster University on how to get the most out of studying through their revision skills workshop.

YEAR 10

Got to take part in a couple of Young Enterprise workshops showing students how to 'learn as you earn as well as a taking part in an innovative ICT masterclass.

YEAR 9

Students in year 9 continue to participate in the QuickStart programme from Young Enterprise and are currently getting ready to bring their product to market in time for Easter. Watch this space.

APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

Apprenticeship week this year was a busy one, with students taking part in various activities throughout the week. We were delighted to have Lucy from Work+ delivering a virtual information session to our year 14 students on Apprenticeships and how to make application.

We were also delighted to have been able to attend Belfast Met Skills and Apprenticeship Fair on the 7th February 2023, were some sixth form students had the opportunity to met and talk to potential employers about completing a higher level apprenticeship next year.



YEAR 8 AND 9 PARENTS' MEETING

Year 8 & 9 Parents' Meeting - Online Appointment Booking/Video Calls

I would like to invite you to attend our online Parents' Meeting on Wednesday 15th March. The day will be split into two sessions listed below:

Year 8 : 9:00am-11:00am

Year 9: 1:00pm-3:00pm

To book your appointments please login through <https://malonecollege.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Your details must match the details we hold on our school database. Login with the following information only:

Parent First Name:

Parent Last Name:

Student First Name:

Student Surname

Student D.O.B

It is important to note, that you must use a web browser which is compatible with the system as follows:

iPhone/iPad: Safari

Android: Chrome or Firefox

Windows: Chrome, Firefox or Edge (latest version only)

Mac: Safari, Chrome or Firefox

I would like to thank you for your cooperation and for taking the time to make the appointments on SchoolCloud. We hope that this will prove to be a more effective and efficient system for Parent-Teacher meetings.

If you have any queries about this system, please e-mail the school account at info@malonecollege.belfast.ni.sch.uk

Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments



Browse to <https://malonecollege.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Step 1: Login

Fill out the details on the page then click the *Log In* button.

A confirmation of your appointments will be sent to the email address you provide.

Step 2: Select Parents' Evening

Click on the date you wish to book.

Unable to make all of the dates listed? Click *I'm unable to attend*.

Step 3: Select Booking Mode

Choose *Automatic* if you'd like the system to suggest the shortest possible appointment schedule based on the times you're available to attend. To pick the times to book with each teacher, choose *Manual*. Then press *Next*.

We recommend choosing the automatic booking mode when browsing on a mobile device.

Step 4: Select Availability

Drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend.

Step 5: Choose Teachers

Select the teachers you'd like to book appointments with. A green tick indicate they're selected. To de-select, click on their name.

Teacher	Subject	Subject	Time
Mr J Brown	Maths	English	17:00
Ms J O'Brien	Maths	English	17:00
Mr J Brown	Maths	English	17:00

Step 6: Book Appointments (Automatic)

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you'll see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose *Accept* at the bottom left.

If it wasn't possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again, or switch to manual booking mode.

Time	Mr J Brown	Ms J O'Brien	Mr J Brown
16:30	Available	Unavailable	Unavailable
16:45	Available	Unavailable	Unavailable
16:50	Available	Unavailable	Unavailable
17:00	Available	Unavailable	Unavailable

Step 7: Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and clicking *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you'd like to discuss, or raise anything beforehand.

Once you're finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press *click here* to finish the booking process.

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Step 8: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the *My Bookings* page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar.

To change your appointments, click on *Amend Bookings*.

TIME TO STUDY



The assessment window begins 20-24th March. Students should start revision and preparation as early as possible. Please ensure you have the correct stationery required.

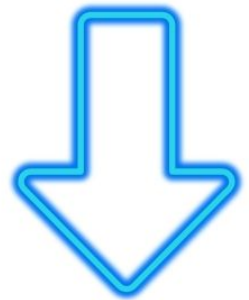


English

UNIT 1 REVISION

TUESDAY 3-4PM	TOPIC:	TEACHER:
21/3/23	FUNCTIONAL WRITING: OPENINGS	NC, R44
28/3/23	TASKS 2&3	SD, R42
18/4/23	TASKS 4&5	LMC, R41
25/4/23	FUNCTIONAL WRITING: CONCLUSIONS	OM, R45
2/5/23	TASKS 2&3	SW, R43
9/5/23	TASKS 4&5	NC, R44
16/5/23	OF MICE AND MEN/ PROSE	SD, R42

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CCEA's Advance Information for the Summer 2023 Exams



What is Advance Information?

Advance Information tells you the **broad focus** of content that will be assessed in the Summer 2023 exams. Its purpose is to support your revision and confidence as you prepare for these exams.

Where do I find the Advance Information for my subjects?

We have published **Advance Information** on the CCEA website for **most CCEA GCSE, AS and A2** exams that will take place in Summer 2023.

You can ask your teachers or go directly to the CCEA website by using this QR code.



Which subjects is Advance Information not available for?

This list sets out the subjects and units that have **no Advance Information**, either because of policy decisions or because they are assessed through coursework, controlled assessment or exams with a focus on skills:

- GCSE, AS and A Level Art and Design
- AS and A Level Performing Arts
- GCSE Contemporary Crafts
- Unit 2 of GCSE Engineering and Manufacturing
- GCSE Mathematics*
- Practical Booklet A in AS and A Level Chemistry and Physics.

* GCSE students will receive a **maths exam aid** with formulae and equations for the Summer 2023 exams.

Advance Information ...

- ✓ looks **different** for different subjects
- ✓ focuses on **areas** of knowledge, skills, contexts, sources, texts and/or themes
- ✓ is designed to be as **accessible** as possible and can be used by all students
- ✓ is available for the **Summer 2023** exams series only.

Advance Information ...

- ✗ **doesn't** set out everything that is on your exam papers
- ✗ **doesn't** affect how your question papers will look (they'll have their usual format and structure)
- ✗ **doesn't** allow you to predict actual questions or prepare answers
- ✗ **won't** be allowed in the exam hall.

Important Reminder!



Advance Information **doesn't** include **everything** that your exams will assess. It's important that you revise the full content of each qualification. That way, you'll be fully prepared both for your exams **and** for the work or study you plan to do next.

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