



7th October 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you about an exciting opportunity open exclusively to our Year 9 students. **Model United Nations (MUN)** simulates the diplomacy of international relations at the UN. It aims to build an understanding of global challenges. Taking on the role of an ambassador to the UN, participants can experience the complexities of international policy formation at first hand. Please do speak to your child about this unique opportunity and encourage them to apply.

The MUN project is unique in that the students meet and work with other young people from schools across Buckinghamshire. The students further their understanding of current world affairs and develop communication, negotiation and debating skills. They gain valuable experience which previous participants have used to apply for school roles such as prefects and head students, university places and jobs.

Participation will involve three trips out of school:

- Preparation Day: Tuesday 24th November, The Misbourne School (school hours).
- Student Workshop: Tuesday 26th January, The Grange School (school hours).
- MUN conference: Friday 5th March, The Gateway, Aylesbury (9 am – 5 pm).

I will accompany the students and supervise them at all times. Participation is free of charge, but the school will incur transportation and additional staffing costs for the three trips, so we will be asking for **a voluntary contribution of £15**. Please note that there is no obligation to contribute and no student will be excluded from the trips or treated any differently if parents or carers are unwilling or unable to pay. However, if the contributions do not cover the trip costs, the trips will have to be cancelled.

There are only nine places available, and it is a competitive application process. Details on how to apply have been communicated to the students via their school email and through their tutors. The deadline for applications is **Thursday 15th October**. We are aiming for MUN to be inclusive of all students that are selected to take part, regardless of need. To that end, we will aim to accommodate any needs as far as is practicable.

If your child is successful in gaining a place, more detailed information will follow later.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Philpott
Head of Citizenship