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#Team Moorside Parent Update 08.10.21

Dear Parent/Carer

How wonderful it was to welcome our prospective students to Team Moorside last night. It was a delightful open evening where staff and students really showcased what the school does. We were completely overwhelmed that the queue at the start of the evening was all the way from the pupil entrance, to the East Lancashire Road. We handed out over 500 bags and feedback about the young people that helped and toured parents and children, has been fantastic. Thank you to all our students that took part, they were wonderful ambassadors for the school. Please remind them to get their Leadership Pathway signed off. Can we also extend our thanks to you, the parents and carers, for allowing your children to take part and collecting them at the end of the evening, your support is really welcomed.

This week we have had assemblies around PSHE and Black History Month, one of our Year 11 students spoke so passionately about the Black people that have inspired her and I think everyone would agree, she was a true inspiration herself to all our students.

Please do remember to make sure children take lateral flow tests every Sunday and Wednesday and that they do not come into school if they are displaying any of the Covid symptoms. As you know, the NHS team are visiting on the 11th and 12th October to provide vaccines for 12–15-year olds: please note from 9am Monday, it is too late to provide consent for this at this stage, but there potentially will be another opportunity later in the year.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Head of School

Year 11 Spanish

There are two great on-line resources now available to all our Y11 students to help them prepare for their GCSEs, namely:

www.sentencebuilders.com

<https://uk.language-gym.com/>

All students will have received their log in details, from their teachers, by the end of this week and will have been shown how to use the sites. Both websites will be used for homework. However, they also provide excellent opportunities for independent study on listening, reading and grammar practice.

Food Bank Collection

Over the next two weeks we are collecting for our local Food Bank. Each House has a supermarket trolley and the aim is for us to fill all four. Any donations would be very welcome, these can be taken to the main reception where the trolleys are based. Please remember, all items must be tinned or dried food.

Year 11 Make it Stick Evening – Thursday 14th October 5pm – 7pm

We are very much looking forward to welcoming Year 11 parents on Thursday 14th October for our Make it Stick evening. The evening has two elements to it, from 5pm, we will have a number of Post 16 providers in the Atrium for parents/carers and students to speak to and get information from about their next step. Then at 5.30pm, all parents will be invited to the performance hall, for a session on how they can support their child's revision and how they can help them to study. Parents are welcome to just attend the support session at 5.30pm, this will last for approximately 30 minutes. We hope that this evening will be beneficial to parent/carers. Feedback previously has shown, this is an area that parents would like some support with.

Key stage 4 Exams

Next week, students will be given their mock exam timetable and a list of all intervention/revision sessions that are currently running. On Monday 18th October, all Year 11 students will have the Make it Stick session delivered to them, to ensure they are getting the support they need with their preparation for the exams. An overview of the timetable and more support in preparing for the exams, will be available on the school website.

Reading Room & November Book Month

As you are aware from my previous communications, we are focusing heavily on literacy and reading this year. We are extremely excited about our brand-new reading room, and are now focusing on getting more and more books in school. During the month of November, we are having a 'Pre-Loved Book Exchange'. The idea is, that all students will bring in any old books they have read, so they can exchange with other books that are brought in. From January, it will be the expectation that every child has a reading book with them as part of their equipment. With the new reading room, and the book exchange, we hope we will have lots of books for students to use.



Behaviour for learning

We are continuing to work hard on our standards and ensuring consistency across the school and we thank parents for their support in this. We have seen a fantastic improvement in the bags that students are using and we are slowly seeing less and less students in trainers. We hope that the new SIMS parent app is allowing you to have a good overview of your child's conduct, especially the positives of achieving a BFL Grade 1. All students are given the opportunity to change their behaviour via the BFL grade system and each lesson is a fresh start with a BFL grade 2. Through our care values and high expectations, we hope that we are working towards developing our young people into socially responsible citizens who are aspiring to be the best they can be.

Parent view

In order for us to capture positive feedback, along with areas that parents feel we need to look at and move forward on, please find a link below to a Microsoft Form where there are a number of statements for you to comment on with regards to whether you agree or disagree. From this we will then feedback to you and let you know the steps we will take to ensure we are constantly addressing parents' views and continuing to move the school forward. We are very grateful when parents raise issues with us, as this allows us to address them, but we are also equally pleased when parents tell us what we are doing well so we can continue doing these things and thank our staff. Thank you for your continued support.

<https://forms.office.com/r/60ZDJeS1me>



QR Code to Microsoft Form

Dates for your Diary

- Year 11 Make it Stick/Careers Evening - Thursday 14th October 2021
- Wear it Pink Day - Thursday 21st October 2021
- Inset Days Friday 22nd October 2021, Monday 1st November 2021
- Half term - W/C 25th October 2021
- Year 7 Parents Evening - Tuesday 16th November 2021. 15.45-18.15

C onsideration	Considerate about ourselves, others, and our community.
A spiration	Aspire to be the very best in all that we do.
R esilience	Work hard and never give up. Seek help and help others.
E quality	Value diversity and tackle discrimination.



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