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#Team Moorside Parent Update 10.12.21

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is starting to feel very Christmassy at Team Moorside this week, the tree is up in reception, students have been busy planning the Christmas Jumper Exchange, and our Mission Christmas collection is starting to grow in our supermarket trolleys – thank you in advance for all your donations.

One of our highlights this week, was hearing all about what our Class of 2021 have been getting up to. We had a socially distanced open door from 4pm-6pm, for our ex Year 11 students to come, have some refreshments, collect their GCSE certificates and say hello. It was lovely to see so many faces and hear all about their post 16 studies. We are so proud of how resilient they have been over the past few years, and how aspirational they are, they are a true inspiration to our current students.

We are all very much looking forward to our school production next week, 'Beauty and the Beast' The set has arrived, and it looks fantastic. If you have not purchased your tickets yet, there are only a few tickets remaining on both evenings. These can be purchased via ParentPay.

A letter was published this week regarding the Covid Testing that we have been directed to do by the Government. This must be completed in January, before students return to the classroom. Wednesday 5th January will be our allocated testing day. On this day, students will work remotely at home, just attending for their testing session. All work for the day will be pre-set before Christmas and Heads of Year will do an online Teams meeting. For further information and a link to the online consent form, please access the letter via the following link:

[Moorside High School - January Covid Testing](#)

As always, we are truly grateful for your ongoing support, with only eight school days remaining before the Christmas break, we really want to ensure that students keep focused and continue to work hard, in order to get the success, they deserve, whilst also enjoying the Christmas activities we have planned.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Head of School

Dress Smart, Think Smart... Be Prepared!

There is a very true saying, if you fail to prepare, you prepare to fail... this is the last thing we want for any of our students, so it is key that we encourage them to be in good habits for later life. From January, as we have mentioned previously, students will continue to require a suitable school bag, this is to ensure they can carry their knowledge organiser, planner, equipment, and all books. Also, as we have previously mentioned, from January all students will be required to have a reading book. Following the 'Moorside Book Swap' we have over 300 preloved books for students to access and swap. Thank you to everyone who donated.

Year 11 GM Higher

This week we have welcomed our colleagues from GM Higher to support our Year 11 students, by raising aspiration and promoting opportunities for careers exploration. If you have any further questions regarding apprenticeships, college applications or post 16 routes, please do contact our Careers Coordinator Mr Farmer via email - simon.farmer@consilium-at.com

Year 11 Mock Results Day

Year 11 received their mock results in a results day style session, Friday during an extra assembly. Miss Smalley talked to them about how it feels when you open the envelope in the summer, the importance of the exams and that it is absolutely not too late to turn it around if they were disappointed with the results. For all students, this is now a real starting point and over the next five months, there will be a plethora of intervention, support and guidance in the run up to the external exams. There are lots of people here to support them, they just need to come and ask. The next set of mocks will begin on 28th February, straight after the February half term. We will be republishing the intervention session timetable when we return in January. We have been really proud of how the students have worked during the mock period, and we know they will take on board all the advice offered and ensure that they are accepting all the support from the intervention sessions.

Year 11 Parents Evening

Year 11 Parents Evening will be taking place on Tuesday 18th January 2022. The evening will be held remotely on school cloud and bookings will be open from 12noon on Friday 7th January 2022 and will close on Tuesday 18th January at 14:30. Further details will be circulated nearer the time and will be available on the school website.

Celebration Assemblies & Rewards

We are excited to host our first Moorside Cinema event, for our top BFL1 grade students and those students who have actively engaged in the leadership pathways. The rewards activity will take place on Monday 20th December, students will get to watch a film in the Performance Hall whilst enjoying some sweets, popcorn and drinks. We are so proud of how hard our students are working and we are looking forward to being able to reward them.

Mission Christmas

Our Mission Christmas Appeal is now underway for the month of December. Moorside High School have always played a big role in supporting the charity, 'Cash for Kids' and we are hoping to have a record-breaking year this year. If you are able to support, all donations can be left in our charity supermarket trolleys. The only requirement from the charity is that donations are unwrapped and unused (new). We are always overwhelmed by the generosity of our parents/carers and we thank you in advance for your support with this.

Food Bank

Our Food bank donations are also now open. During the month of December, we will be collecting donations to support our local community, so if you are able to spare a tin of beans or packet of pasta. Please do send into reception.

Team Moorside's 'Great Christmas Jumper Exchange'

Don't forget, this year, we are holding our very first Christmas Jumper Exchange. To support sustainability, we are encouraging students to bring in their old Christmas Jumper and potentially swap with a pre-loved one, which I am sure you will agree, probably has only been worn once, last Christmas Jumper Day! During the jumper exchange, any Christmas jumpers donated, will be sold for a small donation (all donations going to charity) Students can bring in their jumpers between 1st December to the 10th December. The big exchange will take place on the 10th December. Christmas Jumper Day on the 20th December, for a small donation of £1 for charity.

Attendance Matters

We would like to give a huge shout out to Year 9 and Pankhurst House, who had the top attendance this week. Well done everyone, not too many more get ups before Christmas. Thank you for your continued support, if you need to report a student absence, please do so by contacting our attendance officer via the absence line before 9am or by emailing mhsabsence@consilium-at.com

Last week of term reminder

Monday 20th December -

- Rewards trip for those students with top 'Behaviour for Learning grades'
- Christmas Jumper Day/themed non-uniform - Green/Red
- Christmas Lunch in the Dining Hall

Tuesday 21st December - Celebration Assemblies.

- Year 7 - Period 1
- Year 11 - Period 2
- Year 8 - Period 3
- Year 9 - Period 4
- Year 10 - Period 5

Wednesday 22nd December -

- Period 1 - Normal Lesson
- Period 2 - Normal Lesson
- Extended Break with a hot breakfast available
- Period 3 - Reduced Period 3 - Form Party/Quiz.
- Early Finish - 12.05 - Happy Holidays

Dates for your Diary

- School Production - Beauty & the Beast 16th/17th December 2021
- Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform Day, Green and Red theme – 20th December 2021
- Christmas lunch - 20th December 2021
- 21st December 2021 - Celebration Assemblies
- 22nd December 2021 - School closes for the Christmas Break 12.05
- 5th January 2022 – **Students Remote Learning - Covid Testing Day - Year group consented appointments only**
- 6th January 2022 - Students return to school for the spring term
- 18th January 2022 - Year 11 Parents Evening
- 21st January 2022 – Year 11 Mock interview day

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