





#Team Moorside Parent Update 17.12.21

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week has been somewhat of a roller coaster for Team Moorside, with very heavy hearts, we had to cancel our two evening shows of the production. This was not an easy decision, and I would like to thank all the parents who contacted us in support and understanding of the situation. We are incredibly proud of all the students involved, especially how hard they have worked and the dedication they have shown. If you were affected by the cancellation, you will be receiving a refund for your tickets over the next seven days. This was certainly not the way we wanted to end the term and again I thank you for your support and understanding. Hopefully we will have copies of the production on DVD for parents/carers to access in the New Year.

As we have previously mentioned, we have been directed by the Government to test all students before their return in January. Wednesday 5th January will be our allocated testing day. On this day, students will work remotely at home, attending for their testing session only. All work for the day will be pre-set before Christmas and our 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. In the final countdown to Christmas, we hope the students enjoy the activities we have planned.

Team Moorside would like to wish you all, a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas. Next week we will be reminding students, that should they have any concerns or worries over the Christmas period, they can register these via our 'Sharp' system on the website, and the relevant people will be contacted to offer any support.

Best Wishes

Mrs Ryles-Dean Head of School

Home Testing

Thank you for your continued engagement with the testing programme at home. It has been extremely valuable in helping to minimise the spread of Covid-19. We will be sending further testing kits home to be used over the Christmas period and would encourage students to continue to test at home. Students will receive the return to school test on Wednesday 5th January. As a reminder, on the 5th January, if a student were to test positive on the supervised lateral flow test, then they would be required to take a confirmatory PCR test. If this test is positive, they will then have to isolate, but if it is negative, they can return to school on the 6th January.

New Year Expectations!

New Year is always a great time to press the reset button and have a fresh start, we will be reminding students in the last few days of term, how important it is to return to school with a positive attitude and ready to learn. It is imperative that students return in full school uniform, the correct shoes, not trainers, with a suitable school bag for their equipment, knowledge organiser, planner and reading book. If you require any support in ensuring your child is fully prepared for school with the correct equipment/uniform, then please do contact their Head of Year.

Vaping

Unfortunately, over the past few weeks, we have seen an increase in students carrying/using e-cigarettes on site. Please can we take this opportunity to remind you that tobacco, cigarette papers, e-cigarettes, and their content are prohibited/banned items. As stated in the Behaviour Policy, the school reserves the right to seize, confiscate or destroy any of the prohibited/banned items, or any item that the school deems to be unsuitable and dangerous. Sanctions will be applied to any pupil found in possession of any banned/prohibited items. If a student is found to be vaping in school or in possession of an e-cigarette, serious consequences will be imposed.

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, 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.

Mission Christmas & Food Bank

It is fantastic to see our Mission Christmas trolleys full, we have been completely overwhelmed by the generosity of our parents/carers and we thank you for your support with this. 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. All donations will be delivered to the charity by our students in the final week of term. Our food bank donations are also filling up, again thank you for your support with this.

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

Christmas Jumper Day takes place on Monday 20th December. For a small donation of £1 for charity, students can attend in a Christmas Jumper, with a non-uniform themed day of red and green. On this day, for £2.20, students will be able to purchase a Christmas Dinner, plus a cookie and a drink during lunchtime. There will be a meat or vegetarian option but there will not be any other meal choices available at lunch time.

Attendance Matters

We would like to give a huge shout out to Year 7 and Egerton House, who had the top attendance this week. We will be celebrating more achievements next week in our celebration assemblies. Well done everyone, not too many more get ups before Christmas. Thank you to you, our parents and carers, 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

We will be continuing to drive forward student attendance and punctuality in the New Year. If students are late for school, you will receive a text to inform you and students will be required to attend an afterschool late detention for 20minutes. Punctuality is a vital life skill, and we want to support students in getting into good habit and arriving to school and lessons on time.

Message from Salford Authority

Children eligible for free school meals, can join a fantastic free, winter fun session, during the Christmas school holidays! These will include craft, dance, drama, baking, football, rugby, skateboarding, Panto and much more. To take part in Salford's winter of fun please visit <u>https://www.salford.gov.uk/winterfun</u>

Key Stage 4 Parents

Progress Reports for Key Stage 4 are being sent home today via the parent app and email. If you do not receive your child's report, please contact <u>MHSinfo@consilium-at.com</u> If you have any queries regarding the report, please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance.



Last week of term reminder

Monday 20th December -

- Moorside Cinema for top 'Behaviour for Learning grades'
- Christmas Jumper Day/themed non-uniform Green/Red
- Christmas Lunch in the Dining Hall £2.20

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

- 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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SALFORD WINTER OF FUN

Come and join our fantastic free Winter Fun sessions during the Christmas school holidays!

There is craft, dance, drama, baking, football, rugby, skateboarding, Panto and The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe at The Lowry. All sessions include lunch, and are delivered by brilliant local Salford organisations and community groups. We have lots of sessions available in all areas of the city for children and young people, in school years from Reception to Year 11, who are eligible for Free School Meals.

Book now (booking closes 17 December): http://www.salford.gov.uk/winterfun

