



#TeamMoorside Parent Update 04.02.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week we have seen some fantastic achievements for Team Moorside, we had our very first student debate session against Wyvern Academy, one of our Consilium Schools in the Northeast. There was an excellent display from both teams. Students debated whether the criminal age of responsibility should be changed from its current age of 10. The teams performed amazingly well for their first online remote live interaction, 'Well Done' Team Moorside - we are so proud of you. We also had a hive of activity in the food rooms after school on Wednesday, our cooking club has been in full swing making Fajitas, the smell was fantastic, I am just disappointed that I missed out on the tasting session! There are certainly some budding chefs in Year 7!

As you are aware, we are having a huge push on attendance and ensuring that standards are kept high. Thank you to all our parents/carers that are supporting this drive to ensure that students are in school on time, in full school uniform and have all their equipment with them (including, planner, knowledge organiser and reading book). If you require any support in ensuring your child has everything they need, please do contact your child's Head of Year - Well done to Lowry House, who came top of the Attendance League this week. We are looking forward to the rewards assemblies in the last week of the half term, to celebrate our top attendees and top BFL students.

Finally, I can not express how proud we are of all our students, this week I have been privileged to see our Student Leadership Team planning their next charity event. They have also met with our catering team to ensure that students have a healthy menu for lunch, including a salad bar and have been supporting our peer mentoring and reading scheme. They really are demonstrating our school values - Consideration, Aspiration, Resilience, Equality.

As I mentioned last week, we are building up our website to be a hub of information for parents. Please do visit our careers page this week, where there is a lot of information regarding the National Apprenticeship Week which takes place, 7-13th February 2022. If there is anything you would like to see on the Website, please do let us know via the school email at MHSinfo@consilium-at.com

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Head of School

Year 9 Guided Pathways Option Evening

On Tuesday 8th February 2022, we will be holding our remote Year 9 Guided Pathways Option Evening. Parents will receive a link at 3pm on Tuesday, this will take you to a secure platform, where you will be able to watch an introduction to the Choices process and videos from each of our subjects.

Year 9 Parents – Parents Evening

Bookings are now live for the Year 9 parents evening. Please click here to access the link. – [Year 9 Parents Evening](#)

Consilium Engagement Survey

Thank you to those parents that have already completed the Consilium engagement survey. If you did not receive the link to the survey last week, please do contact us, so we can arrange for the link to be sent to you. The deadline for submissions is 21st February.

Book Fair at Moorside High School

Next week we will be celebrating all things reading at Moorside, between 7th-14th February we have been able to secure the Book Fair coming into school. If your child would like to purchase books at the Book Fair, then please use the following link:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay/1200254/checkout>.

If you wanted to browse the catalogue, then please click here:

<https://www6.scholastic.co.uk/3dissue/catalogues/SchoolsCatalogueSecondary2019/>

Reading Week - Lunchtime Screenings of Author Events

During lunchtime next week, we will be screening author events in our library. Students can come and watch Dean Atta talk about his award-winning 'Black Flamingo', hear from a TIMES journalist, discuss the power of storytelling and listen to authors debate 'big questions' such as masculinity. Each day we will be hosting a new event!

Year 11 Mock Interview Day

We are really looking forward to welcoming Year 11 into school on Friday 18th February (Inset Day) to attend their mock interview. Students have been given a time to attend, along with more information about the day. If you have any questions, please do contact Mr Farmer, our careers advisor for more information. Simon.farmer@consilium-at.com

Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 parents have received a letter today from Miss Smalley (Deputy Headteacher) outlining the arrangements for the Mock Exams. These are due to begin on Monday 28th February for two weeks. We have been so proud with how the students have fully embraced all the extra intervention sessions that are currently available.

Parent Forum Event

On Friday 18th February, we will be holding our second parent forum event, the focus will be on Homework. More information about how you can be involved in this, will be circulated early next week.

Parking when dropping children off

Please can we ask, if you are dropping children off at school in the morning, you aim to avoid blocking the driveways on Westbrook Road. This is a plea from our local community that we would like to support. Thank you.

SIMS Parent App

From April 2022, the main communication method will be via the SIMS App. Over the past few weeks, new sign up emails have been sent to those parents who are yet to sign up. If you require any further information or support in getting set up, please do email MHSinfo@consilium-at.com

<p>WORD OF THE WEEK</p> <p>ALLEVIATE (VERB)</p> 	<p>ALLEVIATE</p> <p>Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.</p> <p>"Helping to alleviate poverty in developing countries also helps to reduce environmental destruction."</p> 
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Dates for your Diary

- 8th February 2022 - Year 9 Options Evening - Remote
- 15th February 2022 - Year 9 Parents Evening
- 17th February 2022 - School closes to students for February half term
- 18th February 2022 - Year 11 Mock interview day
- 18th February 2022 - Staff Inset Day
- 28th February 2022 - School reopens 08:30am
- W/C 28th February 2022 - KS4 Assessment Window

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