





#TeamMoorside Parent Update 25.03.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

The sun has been shining on Moorside High School this week, and the students have been enjoying their social time outside at break and lunchtime. We hope it continues to shine this weekend, so we can all continue to enjoy it.

We are really delighted with our extra-curricular programme, and it is great to see so many students engage in the many activities on offer. In the Autumn term, we welcomed Lacrosse onto the extra-curricular timetable for the first time and we started to work with the Lacrosse coaches from Monton Sports Club, something that we are hoping to do again next Autumn term. During the Summer term, we are looking forward to the cricket season starting and hope to see more sunny weather for the students to get some games in. Extra-curricular sport is really developing at Moorside High School and this week we saw our Year 7 Team, the 'Moorside Rockets' play their first Basketball tournament playing four different teams. The boys demonstrated some fantastic skills and team work, they finished the Junior NBA tournament with two draws and two losses. A big well done must go out to all the boys, especially Hin and Caio who Mr Wright picked out for special credit. Our Year 7 & 8 girls football team played their second set of fixtures this week against Albion Academy in a friendly game. These girls also showed some amazing skills and team work to finish the game 6-1 victors. More sports scores can be found at the end of the update. Well done to all our students who are engaging in the extra-curricular offer. We are currently working on developing the activities section of the parents SIMS app. This section of the app will hopefully allow students to sign up for activities at home and also keep parents fully updated on what is on offer across the school. We will keep you updated on the progress of this.

Finally, this week, our Student Leadership Team were interviewed by BBC Radio Manchester. The recordings were broadcast in the news bulletins at 1400, 1500, 1600 and 1700 on Wednesday 23rd March. The theme of the broadcast was 'Lockdown two years on'. The students spoke so eloquently around the topic of lockdown during Covid and the impact it has had on them as students. It was a really reflective discussion and it made us appreciate just how resilient our young people have been over the past few years. I know I say it all the time, but I could not be prouder of the students at Moorside High School and it is a privilege to work with them.

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Ryles-Dean Head of School

KS3 Assessments

Our Key Stage 3 students will embark on their assessment fortnight from Monday 25th April. Before the Easter Break, all students will be provided with a timetable of when their assessments are. Teachers will ensure the students know what topics they will be assessed on. Students should not worry about these assessments; they are merely an opportunity to check what knowledge the students have and where any gaps are that need addressing. More information regarding the timetable and the assessments will be circulated to parents before Easter.

Year 10 Parents – Parents Evening – Tuesday 29th March 2022

We are looking forward to welcoming Year 10 parents to our Online Parents Evening on Tuesday 29th March. Online bookings are now open and will close, Tuesday 29th March at 14:30, please click here for further information – <u>Year 10 Parents Evening</u>

30 Days to Amaze

With the run up to the external exams getting ever closer for Year 11, we want to show them that we truly believe in them and give them as much support as possible. On Monday this week we launched our '30 days to Amaze'. Over the 30 school days we have before the start of the external exams, we will be posting on social media and the screens around school, top tips to support them. We are also encouraging them to attend school every day, attend 30 revision/support sessions, watch 30 GCSEPods and aim to achieve 30 BFL1 grades. We are looking forward to celebrating their commitment to their study in the run up to the exams and will be offering as much support as they need in the process. If you are a Year 11 parent and have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Head of Year 11.

Ukrainian appeal

Huge thank you to everyone who has donated items for our appeal. The charity trolleys are filling up nicely. We will be collecting until the Easter break. Thank you for your generosity. Items that are in most need - Foil survival blankets, Nappies, Sanitary products, Towels, First aid kits, Bandages, Sleeping bags, Metal cups, Thermal clothing, Hairbrushes, Shampoos, Toothbrushes, Children's clothes.

The news is hard to watch, and listen to, these days. If your child is worried and asking difficult questions of you, this link to the Young Minds website may help: <u>https://buff.ly/3hX9hHJ</u>

Attendance & Punctuality Matters

Congratulations to Year 7 and Pankhurst House who have our top attendance this week.

We know it is widely acknowledged that attendance has a direct impact upon achievement, success, and welfare. If you need any support in getting your child into school, please do contact us, we are here to help. If you need to report a student absence, please contact our attendance officer via the absence line before 08:30 or by emailing <u>mhsabsence@consilium-at.com</u> with an explanation and likely duration of absence.

This week's sports update

- Year 7 Football Our year 7 football team played Albion Academy in the 2nd leg of the Salford schools. After winning the first leg 6-0, a changed team with six debutants unfortunately lost a close game 3-2 with Leo captaining the team for the first time, Henry scoring a goal on his debut and Finn continuing his fine run of scoring in every school game!
- Y7 Rugby The year 7 boys took part in the Salford Red Devils rugby tournament. Playing 5 games the boys won three fixtures and showed some real grit and determination and performed admirably against some strong opposition from all over Greater Manchester.
- Year 8 Rugby Well done to the year 8 rugby team who played Up Holland High School in the Northwest Counties Plate. The boys played exceptionally well and came out on top, 28-14, finally getting a victory against a Wigan school
- Year 9 Football The year 9 football team played the second leg of their Salford Schools last 16 fixture. The boys won 4-3 on the night but having lost the first leg 3-2 the game went to penalties and unfortunately, they lost on penalties. Callum had a fantastic game in goal and the highlight of the game was Dylan's goal with 40 seconds remaining to take the tie into extra time.
- Year 10 Football In front of a large crowd the year 10 football team played All Hallows. Despite dominating the match, our finishing let us down and the boys succumbed to a 2-1 loss. Well done to Balu on making his debut for the team.
- In year 11 we have several pupils performing at the highest level with Luca being selected to play for England at Basketball and both Joe and Cale being invited to trial for the Great Britain Rugby League Community Lions. Well done to all three boys!



AMBIGUOUS (ADJECTIVE)



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Unclear or confusing because it can be understood in more than one way.

"Modern art is often ambiguous in nature to allow for personal interpretation."



Dates for your Diary

- Tuesday 29th March 2022 Year 10 Online Parents Evening
- Thursday 31st March 2022 School closes for Easter Holidays 14:55
- Friday 1st April 2022 Inset Day (staff only)
- Tuesday 19th April 2022 School reopens 08:25
- W/C 25th April 2022 KS3 Assessment Window

Polite reminder:

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 <u>MHSinfo@consilium-at.com</u>

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