



#Team Moorside Parent Update 13.05.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our focus this week has been around mental health and wellbeing. In assembly we have celebrated Mental Health Awareness week and have reminded students how they can access support and keep themselves safe and well. During form time, students and staff have worked together to complete a community rainbow, highlighting what they are proud to be. I am really looking forward to seeing this displayed in our school reading library and will post an image for you to see next week. Alongside this, we have also focused on the importance of a Digital Detox. We are encouraging all students to take a break from their screens. As you are aware, Mobile Phones should be switched off and in school bags when students are on the school site. If phones are seen or heard, they will be confiscated and kept in the school safe until the end of the school day. We would really appreciate your support in reinforcing this rule. We all appreciate there is a time and place for our digital devices but all too often, students are relying on these devices, rather than focusing their energy on building friendships and focusing on work. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

It is hard to believe that today I wrote to our year 11 parents with the arrangements for the final few weeks for our Class of 2022. Our Year 11 students will commence their external exams on Monday 16th May 2022 and I am sure you will join me in wishing them every success with these exams. We have been so proud with how the students have conducted themselves over the past two years, especially with the extremely challenging conditions the pandemic has brought. Students have prepared well for these exams and we are confident that the hard work they have put in, will be rewarded with the grades that they receive and deserve.

To accommodate the external exams, we have had to change the school day slightly. The afternoon exams require up to 2hrs at times, so for this reason between the 16th May and 24th June our lunch time will move to 12:05-12:55. This will mean that students will have period 1 and period 2, followed by breaktime at 10:50 until 11:05. Then period 3 followed by lunchtime at 12:05. Period 4 and Period 5 will then be in the afternoon. All students have been spoken to about this during assemblies this week and are all aware of the changes to the timings. This is a temporary measure for during the exam season and should not cause any disruption to learning.

Finally, I am very keen to ensure that more and more students are rewarded across the school. We have many students that consistently do the right thing, at the right time, in the right place, but often go unnoticed. After the May half term break, parents and teachers will be able to nominate students for a Headteachers award. All students nominated will be acknowledged with bonus house points and a certificate. They will then go into a draw to attend a breakfast with myself. I will leave it up to the individual to decide if that is a reward or consequence. I'm sure if you ask my leadership team they will happily tell you it is hard to get a word in edgewise when I start talking! For me, I could not think of anything better than spending time with the students, and I can see this time with students will very quickly become my favourite part of the week. If your child has done something that you are proud of, outside of school, please do nominate them by emailing MHSinfo@consilium-at.com

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend, I believe the sun is set to shine.

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Headteacher

Consilium Events

Photography Competition - 'My Favourite Place' - Please do not forget to encourage your child to enter the Consilium Photography Competition - Deadline for entries is the 24th June 2022. **Debate Club** - Unfortunately, the Debate was cancelled this week due to the other school involved, not having enough students to take part. Our students were so disappointed, but Miss Powell is very keen to set another one up as soon as possible.

Building up our Alumni

Last week I spoke about us build up more links with our Alumni in the community and we are trying to do the same with our Year 11 leavers. Students have been encouraged to complete a quick careers survey informing us of their intended destinations. The aim of this is to enable us to invite past students back into Moorside to share with students their experiences of life Post 16. If you have a child in Year 11, please encourage them to complete the linked survey. Thank you for your support with this. <https://forms.office.com/r/ZiHbEqPEBR>

Saxophone Project

Music and Performing Arts Salford (MAPAS) are excited to be working on a Saxophone project in the summer term with a selection of Year 7 pupils from Moorside High School. The project will initially start with afterschool lessons. Once pupils have got to grips with the basics of playing this exciting instrument, they will then be asked to come along to an ensemble rehearsal where they will work with Year 6 pupils who are also taking part in the project. The Year 6 and 7 pupils will rehearse music altogether in preparation for a small performance in July to celebrate all that they have achieved in the project. We are hoping that this project will inspire pupils to continue learning the Saxophone and be part of a school ensemble or some of the Music and Performing Arts Salford Arts Centre groups which run in the evening at Moorside High School. If you would like to find out more about the MAPAS Arts Centre, please go to <https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/mapas/arts-centre/>

Year 10 – Netball trip

A group of Year 10 students attended JCA Conover Hall last weekend, where they undertook a range of Outdoor Adventurous Activities as well as taking part in a netball tournament with schools from all across the country. The students represented Team Moorside fantastically and went on to be the overall winners of the tournament for their age group. The quality and standard of netball on display was superb and the students' own netball skills went from strength to strength over the course of the weekend. The students were so well-mannered and polite, they truly were a credit to their families and to Moorside High School. We are so proud of them. Thank you to Mrs Jackson and Miss Aitken for taking the students. We are already looking at opening this trip up to the younger year groups in the next academic year, so keep your eyes peeled, it is not to be missed!

Year 11 Leavers Hoodies

A few parents have raised that they missed the deadline for ordering the leavers hoodies, therefore we have reopened the online store. Please use the link below to order. The store will close 12/06/22 and hoodies from this order will arrive on the 3/7/22. <https://www.leavershoodies.com/moorside-high-school-2022-leavers>


USASF Dance Worlds Competition in Disney, Orlando Florida

During the weekend of Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th April 2022, Ruby in Year 10, Frankie and Daicie in Year 8 and Willow in Year 7 competed at the USASF Dance Worlds Competition in Disney, Orlando Florida with their POM Team Ignite, from Red Hot Flames. Competing against teams from across the world, Team Ignite proudly got the opportunity to get called up on the stage with the top 10 in the world and secured 8th place and 4th in the Nations Cup. This was the first team representing England and Red Hot Flames in this division and such a memorable and fantastic achievement. Earlier that week all 4 girls also danced at the International Cheer Union Competition at ESPN, wide world of sports also in Florida for Team England Freestyle POM. Frankie, Daicie and Williwow opened the whole competition for the first ever Team England Youth Category and Ruby, danced for Team England Junior. Team England Youth placed 4th whilst Team England Junior placed 7th. This fantastic opportunity allowed them to meet with many other athletes from across the world and be part of an opening ceremony that welcomed over 3 thousand athletes from 51 nations. The hard work and dedication these girls have shown, training late into the evenings and giving up their weekends helped them to secure these fantastic results and we are all so proud of them. We are currently in the process of creating a photo gallery on our school website, so watch this space to view the fantastic photographs from the event. Well Done to everyone that was involved.

WORD OF
THE WEEK

POTENTIAL


(ADJECTIVE)



POTENTIAL

Having or showing the capacity to develop into something in the future.

"The cost of a service is likely to turn-off potential customers."



Dates for your Diary

- 16th May 2022 – Start of the external exam season
- 27th May 2022 – School closes 14:55 for half term
- 6th June 2022 – School reopens 08:30, for half term 6
- 28th June 2022 – Year 11 leavers assembly and Prom
- 7th July 2022 – Year 9 into Year 10 evening (time TBC)
- 12th July 2022 – Pride of Moorside Awards evening
- 19th July 2022 – Sports Day
- 21st July 2022 – Team Moorside Day, Celebration Assemblies
- 22nd July 2022 – School closes for the Summer - 12:05
- Tuesday 6th September 2022 - School Re-Opens

All term dates for the academic year, 2022-2023 can be found on the school website or by [clicking here](#)

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