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#TeamMoorside Parent Update 22.07.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe that I am writing to you at the end of what has been a very positive year for Moorside High School. At times, we have had to face many challenges as a result of the pandemic, especially before Christmas, but over the course of the year, the general pattern has been one of returning to normality. It has been lovely to see, since Easter, numerous trips and extra-curricular activities running so successfully. The students have come into their own this year, settling back after such disruption and the resilience they have shown has been amazing. Our planning for next year is well under way and we are excited at how the school is continuing to move forward.

This week we have enjoyed rewarding the students via trips, visits, the Moorside Cinema, and the celebration assemblies. The atmosphere around school has been extremely positive and although we faced the challenge of the hot weather at the start of the week, we have been able to still go ahead with many of our plans. We did however have to make the difficult decision to postpone Sports Day on Tuesday. We were hoping that this would take place on Friday, but again the weather beat us, but for the wrong reasons – rain, such a shame as we know all the competitors were really geared up for it. We will certainly look at doing something early on next year, to allow students to compete in some sporting events. We want to really take our house system to the next level next year, and we are looking forward to having some inter-house sporting events, spelling bees and fun challenges. Watch this space for more information.

As we move towards the new academic year, please can I take this opportunity to remind you that all students need to return in September in full school uniform. Uniform expectations can be found on the school website, students must have a sensible school bag and black polishable shoes. If your child is having their ears pierced or hair done over the holiday, please remind them, they are only allowed to wear one single stud earring in each ear lobe and no extreme hair style or colour is allowed. We make no apologies for our high expectations because excellent standards in a secondary school start with high standards of uniform.

We will also continue our focus and drive for excellent attendance. Good attendance is a learned behaviour, and we recognise the importance of developing good patterns of attendance from the outset. As a school we want to support students and parents/carers by working together to address any in-school barriers to attendance. We do appreciate that some students face greater barriers to attendance, and we want to ensure that we are working with families to make reasonable adjustments to break down these barriers. To support this, we ask that parents/carers only request leave of absence in exceptional circumstances and in advance. Only exceptional circumstances will warrant a leave of absence and each application will be considered individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind the request. Please do contact us if you require any additional support in encouraging your child to attend, we really do want to work with our families.

The end of the school year always means a few staff members leaving us to pursue the next steps in their careers or to enjoy retirement and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their outstanding service to our community and in wishing them well for the future.

Finally, thank you for your continued support throughout the year, I would also like to extend these thanks and commend all our students for their hard work and positivity.

I wish you all a very safe, peaceful, and enjoyable summer.
Best Wishes

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Headteacher

Sporting Success

What a lovely way to end the year, with some sporting successes – congratulations to everyone involved.

Year 7 Football - Moorside Cup - Last Thursday Moorside, Ellesmere Park and Buile Hill took part in the inaugural Consilium cup. This was a competition that involved pupils from year 7 who had represented the school football team no more than two times. We were extremely fortunate to be able to enter three teams into the event, with each team being managed by our year 7 student leaders and the games also officiated by our student leaders. It was a great event with some fantastic performances on show. Congratulations to the Moorside Magics who finished the tournament as champions.

Year 7 & 8 Rugby Union - Both our year 7 and year 8 rugby teams became champions last week winning the Salford rugby union tournament hosted by Eccles RUFC. The boys showed fantastic team spirit to overcome difficult opposition with both teams walking away with the winner's trophy for their year group.

Year 8 & 9 Cricket - Our year 8 and 9 students played their first two hardball games and were successful in achieving two wins. The future look bright for our cricketers.

Millie (Year 9) - Millie has recently just signed her first contract with Manchester United for the u16's girls' team despite only being in year 9. This year Millie has also been selected by England to take part in their recent training squads and will also be training with the Manchester United U21's team during the summer.

Dylan (Year 8) - Dylan currently plays Lacrosse for the Monton Boardman Bulldogs and has been invited to England trials. Dylan was successful in being selected to the elite player development pathway, fantastic achievement.

Alex (Year 7) - Alex has recently participated and won the u12 Warrington Open at tennis. He also finished runner up in the doubles competition. Well Done, Alex.

Salford Boys Football - Well done to four members of our year 7 cup winning football team who have been selected to represent the Salford boys' team this season. They are Leo, Idris, Henry and Finn, well done boys.

Staying Safe over summer

At the end of our celebration assemblies, we spent some time talking about being safe over summer, this involved water safety, cycle/road safety, and generally keeping themselves safe both on a day-to-day basis but also online. A few weeks ago, I shared with you some tips for parents/carers around the safe use of Snapchat. TikTok has also collaborated with Internet Matters and have produced a guide for parents. Please click here to read it [guide to TikTok for parents](#)

Although school is closed for summer, reception will be open for the first week and the last two weeks 9-12noon. The email inbox MHSInfo@consilium-at.com will be monitored over summer but may not be responded to as quickly as during term time.

If students have any concerns over the summer holiday, they can use our 'Sharp' system on the school website and this will be picked up, however we will only be able to respond and support if students have put their name and form on. It will be difficult for us to investigate and find out anonymous reports whilst not being in school.

'Get caught reading this summer!'

Fill in our Moorside e-card to share what you're reading this summer. Some ideas, as suggested by our Literacy Co-ordinator and the Literacy Ambassador team are:

- Take a 'shelfie' of your favourite books
- Take a photo of you/your book along the Salford Library Literacy Trail ([map downloadable here](#))
- Take a photo of you/your book in your favourite reading spot.

Your postcards should be sent to: MHSwellbeing@consilium-at.com FAO: Miss Powell. You will be able 'cash in' your postcard for a sweet treat in the new school year and be entered into a prize draw for a book prize.'

Pastoral Team Sept 2022

With the end of this academic year now nearly upon us, preparation for the next academic year is well under way. A fundamental principle within Moorside High School, is to try to retain the same Head of Year and where possible the same Form Tutor with each tutor group for the duration of Year 7, 8, 9 & 10. Our Head of Year 7 stays static, with a static team of Form Tutors with Year 11. The purpose of this is to ensure that we can hit the ground running from day one. Our Head of Year 7 is extremely experienced with transition, key stage 2 into 3 and our team of static Year 11 tutors are experienced with the demands of Year 11, alongside being English/Maths specialists. This helps to ensure we can deliver purposeful interventions, exam technique preparation and offer support with post 16 decisions during the form time, as they have experience in doing this year on year.

Retaining the same Form Tutor is dictated largely by staff availability and the curriculum that is offered. This year we have a small number of staff moving on either for well-deserved promotions, or because they are re-locating to different areas of the country. We also have a small number of staff who are enjoying maternity leave, or due to the curriculum or their role, are unable to undertake the task of being a Form Tutor. Please see below for an updated list of form tutors.

When we return in September, there may be some slight changes to bands, sets, or grouping within the curriculum areas, if your child is affected this will be communicated to you in September via the Heads of Department.

Moorside High School Pastoral Teams 2022-2023

Head of Year	Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Year 11	
House	Mr T Williams		Miss Stephan		Mrs S Kirk		Miss L Drinkwater		Mr J Halsall	
	Egerton		Joule		Lowry		Pankhurst			
Form Tutor Teams	7EM	Mrs Doyle	8EM	Mr Howson	9EM	Miss Babolhavaei	10EM	Miss Vincent	11EM	Miss Hindley
	7EH	Miss Hanif	8EH	Mr Jennings	9EH	Miss Lee	10EH	Mr Thomas	11EH	Miss Wright
	7JM	Miss Potts	8MEH	Mr Monks	9JM	Miss Boralugoda	10JM	Mrs Sargent	11JM	Mrs Watt
	7JH	Mr Ashton	8JM	Mrs Mellor	9JH	Mrs Ahmed	10JH	Mr Blackburn	11JH	Mrs Whittington
	7MJH	Mrs McGivern	8JH	Mrs Doran	9LM	Miss Turner	10LM	Mr Bullen	11LM	Miss O'Connor
	7LM	Miss Hill	8LM	Miss Howard-Cofield	9LH	Miss Kuruma	10LH	Mrs Deva	11LH	Mr Rooke
	7LH	Mr Brooklyn	8MLM	Ms Bond	9PM	Mrs Royle	10PM	Mrs Holt	11MLH	Mr Greenhalgh
	7PM	Mr Gibbons	8LH	Mr Higham	9PH	Mrs Jackson	10PH	Miss Edge	11PM	Mrs Heppolette
	7PH	Mrs Goth	8PM	Mr Wright					11PH	Mrs Leadbeater
			8PH	Mr Fletcher					11MPH	Ms Robinson

Asda, Morrisons and Dunelm Cafes children can eat for £1 or less this summer

We have been informed that at Asda, children can get a hot or cold meal for just £1 in their cafes. The Kids Eat for £1 deal is available all day, every day from July 25 until September 4. Baby food is also part of the new initiative, with young ones able to enjoy a free pouch of Ella's Kitchen baby food in local Asda Cafes. No minimum spend is required. Dunelm Pausa cafes are also allowing children to eat for free for every £4 spent in their cafes. You can get one free mini main, two snacks and a drink. This offer is available now. At Morrisons, when you purchase one adult meal over £4.99, children can get a free meal from the children's menu. Children's meals also include a piece of fruit and Tropicana Kids Orange or Apple drink or bottle of water.

Y9 GH Higher Session "HE Uncovered"

On Monday 18th July, as part of our PSHE and Careers curriculum, Year 9 pupils had an informative virtual session with Graduate Ambassadors from [GH Higher](#). The session, entitled "HE Uncovered" allowed pupils to learn more about the options available to them in the future after GCSEs, including Post-16 options at college, and learning more about higher education including university degree courses and student finance. Pupils also learned about alternatives to full time university, such as higher or degree level apprenticeships, where pupils can earn a degree through the workplace. We hope pupils found the session interesting and useful as they prepare to embark on their GCSE studies next term and start considering future options.



Y10 Springpod Virtual Work Experience



This week for our Year 10 pupils, we have launched "Virtual Work Experience" with an external partner, [Springpod](#). All pupils were given the opportunity to sign up on the platform, and access content via our school hub. This gives all pupils the opportunity to undertake a virtual work experience and learn more about an industry of their choice through online modules, tasks, and employer videos. Springpod allows pupils to complete an "Industry Sector Insight", to learn about the skills and experience required to work in a particular career sector, as well as learning about the pay, qualifications, and training expectations. Pupils can complete as many different modules and experiences on the Springpod website as they wish, and once complete pupils will receive a certificate which can be used for future job or college interviews. This is a great opportunity for pupils to start doing further research on different career areas ahead of Year 11 where they will start to make their applications to college or apprenticeships!

Changes to lunchtime from September.

It is vital that we continually take time to stop and reflect on whether there is more that we can do to support our students in September. We will have more students in the building than ever before, with more than 1140 on roll for the first time. To ensure that lunchtimes are efficient and safe, we will be splitting the lunch break into 2 halves. This will mean that Years 7 and 11 will have their lunch at the same time and then Years 8, 9 and 10 will have their lunch together. When Years 7 and 11 are having their lunch, Year 8, 9 and 10 will have 'R' time – Reading, Reflection and Review with their form tutors, we will then swap over. Students will have 35minutes for lunch and 25minutes 'R' time, there will be a 10minute crossover where all year groups can be together. Year 7 and 11 are together so the prefects in Year 11 can support the Year 7 students during lunch time, but also support during the 'R' time. Having 8s and 10s together also allows for the Peer Mentors in Year 10 to support the Year 8 students. Currently, very few students access a club at lunchtime due to the length of time it takes to queue and then eat. Many of our clubs now take place afterschool, and these will all continue. Those clubs such as Pride Club, Card Club, Young Carers will all still be available during the lunch time. There will be no change to the start and end time of the school day, however students will have a 10minute standards time from 08:30-08:40 to support them in having all the correct equipment, uniform, planner, and knowledge organiser. This will be with their form tutor.

A split lunch will benefit our students by:

- For first lunch 455 students will have lunch, for second lunch 692 will have lunch, this is instead of 1147 students altogether.
- All students will be served quickly at the start of lunch because of much smaller queues.
- All students will have time to sit and eat their lunch.
- All students will have access to dining tables and chairs to sit down and eat in the Main Canteen.
- All students will have time and access to toilet facilities.
- The lunch time and spaces will also be much quieter and more settled, allowing staff to supervise more efficiently and to ensure that the spaces are used appropriately and calmly.
- There will be no dead time where students are at a loss of what to do.

We are confident that these changes will positively impact all students. Having said that, we realise that any change could feel unsettling for some. Where a student has a key worker, over the next week, they will be talking to them about these changes in preparation for September, so they are not just returning to the change. If you have any worries or questions about the change to lunchtime, please do contact us at MHSinfo@consilium-at.com where someone will contact you to discuss this further.

Dates for your Diary

All students return to school on
Tuesday 6th September 2022 - 08:25
Full School Uniform



All term dates for the academic year, 22/23, 23/24 can be found on the school website or by [clicking here](#)

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