



#TeamMoorside Parent Update 30.09.22

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach just over the halfway mark for this half term, students are settling well into being back in school following the summer break. Our younger students have settled well, and the older students are really starting to engage in all the extra intervention and support sessions on offer.

Each Monday during period 1, all students across the school take part in Personal, Social, Health, Citizenship and Economic Education (PSHCE) lessons. PSHCE is a crucial subject that allows our students to develop their values and beliefs and learn more about health and wellbeing, relationships and living in the wider world. During these lessons, students learn how to keep themselves and others safe and how to be responsible citizens. The programme of study can be found on our school website by clicking here - [Personal Development](#)

A key element in keeping our students safe is ensuring they understand relationships and have age-appropriate sex education. This topic area is always taught in a sensitive, inclusive way, please click the following link to access a copy of our Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) policy [Relationship and Sex Education \(RSE\) policy](#) so that you can see how this topic is covered through PSHCE.

We know that Pastoral Care is most effective when parents, schools and students work together and we are keen to do all we can to actively support our families. We would very much appreciate if you would take a few minutes to [complete this survey](#) to let us know which area you feel it would be helpful for us to address in our work with you as parents and our students. We also welcome your feedback on our RSE policy or any of the pastoral plans outlined above. If you would like to discuss any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact us at MHInfo@consilium-at.com

This week we have celebrated European Day of Languages and in October we will be looking at Black History Month and Mental Health Awareness. In November we will then be celebrating Anti-Bullying Week with a special anti-bullying assembly, so lots for the students to look forward to.

Finally, on Friday 30th September, we welcomed the BBC into Moorside High School. The BBC's landmark centenary education project, BBC 100 Share Your Story, is a project that aims to inspire young people to achieve their career goals and help realise their ambitions. Students from Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 took part in several talks which covered many aspects including mental health. The students thoroughly enjoyed the talks, and it was great to see how engaged they were in the project.

Next week is a busy week, with our Year 7 settling in evening and our Open Evening. Thank you in advance for allowing your children to support these events, we are always so proud of the students when they act as ambassadors for the school.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Ryles-Dean
Headteacher

Open Evening

Our Open Evening takes place on Thursday, 6th October. This is always a lovely evening and a fantastic chance for us to welcome our prospective Year 5 and 6 students. Please encourage your son/daughter to get involved and help as a guide/volunteer for a department or activity. Students must return their consent form if they wish to help. Students who help on the evening, will be awarded with bonus house points and will be able to have their Leadership Pathways signed off in their planner.

The cost of living

We appreciate that it is a difficult time for many people across Salford as the costs of energy, food and other bills continue to rise. Meeting the cost of uniforms, trips, school lunches, PE kits, pencils and pens, dress down days and other school costs can be difficult, and we want to do everything we can to support you. As you are aware, our uniform now includes minimised branded items, and our website gives you more details on which uniform items are optional. We also have a pre-loved area in school for uniform, so if your child requires any uniform, please do contact their Head of Year. If you have any old uniform at home that no longer fits, please do leave this at reception as this facility is regularly used. Finally, can we remind you that you may also be able to qualify for Free School Meals. You can apply for Free School Meals using our quick and easy online form, if you require any support or have any questions, please do contact us. The online form can be accessed here - <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

Great Uniform Fortnight

Next week is the start of 'Great Uniform Fortnight', students will receive bonus house points for dressing smartly and wearing the correct uniform. Now the weather is getting cooler, students are required to wear their blazers around school. If it is warm in classrooms, students will be allowed to remove them. Students will receive bonus house points and will be able to cash these in for rewards. We look forward to welcoming all students into school ready to pick up those bonus house points.

Year 7 Settling in Evening

We know that the transition to a new school can be challenging for some pupils, therefore we would like to offer the opportunity for Year 7 parents to come into school if there are any challenges that their child has faced in the first few weeks, or any further support that they feel their child needs. On Tuesday 4th October we are hosting our Year 7 parent consultation drop in and would like to invite any Year 7 parent into school between 4pm and 6pm where Mr Williams (Head of Year 7), Mrs O'Kane (SEND CO), Miss McBride (Deputy Headteacher) and Mrs Ryles-Dean (Headteacher) will be available to speak to. If parents feel their child has settled well into secondary school life, and has attended every day so far, then parents do not need to attend. A letter will be sent to Year 7 parents early next week, but if you require any further information beforehand, please do contact the Head of Year 7.

Attendance

Well done to Year 7 and Pankhurst House Top Attendance this week!!

As you will remember, we wrote to you before the summer to explain the changes to how schools now have to deal with attendance underpinned by the government guidance in '[Working together to improve school attendance \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk)'. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that your child has excellent attendance at school. We are still seeing a few absences that we are not able to authorise as they are not recommended by the NHS as a reason to be absent from school. [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk). These absences will not be authorised, even with parental communication, and therefore will escalate. Attendance is a priority for us as a school as we want all our children to be safeguarded and benefitting from the excellent pastoral care in school, but also, we want our children to be in school to benefit from the excellent learning. Missing lessons makes it difficult for children to catch up and affects the subsequent learning. We have seen the impact of this in the GCSE results this summer. More than ever, it is important that we all work together to ensure that children are in school. We want to support our families and ensure we are working with you, so please feel free to contact school if this would be helpful.

Salford City College

All our Year 11 students received a talk on Monday from the Salford City College group, it was great to hear all the courses that are on offer, there really is something for everyone. All colleges will be joining us at the 'Make it Stick' evening on Wednesday 12th October and we are looking forward to welcoming both parents and students to the event. More information will be sent to Year 11 parents next week.

Puzzle of the week


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Numeracy Puzzle of the Week


A digital clock uses two digits to display hours, two digits to display minutes and two digits to display seconds, e.g. 10:23:42.

How many times between 10:00:00 and 11:00:00 on the same morning are all six digits different?

Tell your maths teacher the answer by the end of the week and they will give you a card for a prize if you got the answer correct.



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Word of the week

WORD OF THE WEEK

EMANCIPATE

(VERB)




EMANCIPATE

DISCHARGE | RELEASE | LOOSEN | UNFETTER

Set free, especially from legal, social, or political restrictions.

"My grandmother finally purchased a vacuum to emancipate herself from hours of sweeping!"



Key Dates:

- Tuesday 4th October Year 7 Settling in evening
- Thursday 6th October Open Evening
- Wednesday 12th October Year 11 – Make it Stick/Careers Fair
- Tuesday 18th October Year 7 Parents Evening
- Thursday 20th October Year 11 – English Parent Workshop
- Friday 21st October INSET Day

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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CONSIDERATION ASPIRATION RESILIENCE EQUALITY

Deans Youth Centre what's on....

MONDAYS

6.30pm - 8.30pm
YOUNG WOMEN'S GROUP
arts, cooking, games & more!
Open to all young women in Salford in yr7 & above!

follow us on 
@SPY_M27
@salfordyouthservice

TUESDAYS

4.00pm - 6.00pm
SPY ACTIVITY SESSION
outdoor session, high ropes, fishing, art & more. For yr7 and above

6.30pm - 8.30pm
YEAR 6 NIGHT
sports, games, cooking, art & more.
Open to all young people in Year6

starting Tuesday 4th October

6.30pm - 8.30pm
YOUTH COUNCIL
social action, local and national campaigning

**JUST £1
PER SESSION**


WEDNESDAYS

3.45pm - 5.45pm
LADS ONLY GROUP
open to all young men in Salford in Years 7 - 13
outdoor sessions, sports & more

5.30pm - 8.00pm
Deans LGBTQ+ Group
For Salford Young People in Yr7 & above

starting this Autumn, contact us for more details

THURSDAYS

 follow us on
@DeansYouthCentre

FRIDAYS

6.30pm - 8.30pm
FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTHY
indoor & outdoor activities, sports, games, fishing, art & cooking
For yr7 and above

WHERE TO FIND US!

Deans Road, Swinton, Salford, M27 0AP (we are on Moorside High School Campus)

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