



#TeamMoorside Parent Update 02.12.22

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already in December. We have lots of activities planned in the run up to Christmas and we look forward to everyone getting involved.

On Monday, Years 7, 9 and 10 start their assessments. These are in class assessments and students should feel fully prepared for them. We must stress that we do not want students to get unnecessarily worried about the assessments, and we ask for your support here. Above all else, the assessments are a valuable opportunity for teachers to assess the areas students have grasped well and those where further consolidation may still be required. In the current climate, these assessments will also be particularly useful to help teachers identify any gaps in learning that may have developed recently and help them to address these with students. However, it really is not the end of the world if an assessment does not go as well as expected. If you have any questions or concerns around the assessments, please do contact your child's Head of Year.

The Salford food bank collected lots of donations from us this week, thank you so much to everyone that has supported this. The trolleys are now empty again ready to be re-filled. As it is Christmas jumper day on Thursday, we are requesting that rather than donate money, everyone brings an item suitable for the Food Bank. Anyone in a Christmas jumper will get a free cake from our Pride Club who will be running a cake stall on the day. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

From Monday, we are also running our '12 Days of Attendance' initiative in the run up to Christmas. As there are only thirteen school days until will break up for the holiday, students will receive their name in the draw for every day they attend, so if they are in all twelve days, they will have their name in twelve times, regardless of their previous attendance. On the last day, Wednesday 21st December, we will be giving shout outs over the tannoy every 30 minutes with the names of students randomly selected and they will be invited to reception for a sweet treat. We know how hard it is to get up with the dark mornings and everyone is that little bit more tired at this time of year, so hopefully this incentive will encourage all students to aim to be in everyday in the run up to Christmas and enjoy school.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring students are attending and staying focused, your support is very much appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Ryles-Dean Headteacher

Mission Christmas

As we approach the festive season, we are encouraging everyone to be a Secret Santa again this year. Moorside High School have always played a big role in supporting the charity, Cash for Kids and we are hoping to have a record-breaking year this year. If you can support, all donations can be left in our charity supermarket trolleys. The only requirement from the charity is that donations are unwrapped and unused (new). We are always overwhelmed by the generosity of our parents/carers, and we thank you in advance for your support with this.

Handwriting Club

As part of increasing our literacy/writing provision for all our students, Mr Molyneux will be offering a handwriting club on Thursday 3-4pm. The club will start this week and we look forward to seeing lots of students there.

Year 11 College Applications

Mr Farmer is holding two sessions over the next two weeks to support our Year 11 students with their college applications. They will have an opportunity to sit with Mr Farmer and speak to someone from Salford City College. The two sessions will take place in the Hive, Tuesday 6th of December 3-4pm and Tuesday 13th of December 3-4pm.

Christmas Jumper Day & Team Moorside's 'Great Christmas Jumper Exchange'

This year, we will be holding our **Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday, 8**th **of December**. Students will be invited to attend school wearing a Christmas jumper for a small donation to our Food bank. To support sustainability, we are encouraging students to bring in their old Christmas jumper and potentially swap with a pre-loved one. Students can bring in their jumpers up until Jumper Day on **Thursday, 8**th **of December**. There will also be a free cake for everyone who wears a Christmas jumper from our Pride Club stall.

Year 9 Vaccinations

The DTP and MenACWY vaccines are offered to boys and girls in year 9 and is not routinely offered at GP practices. DTP is given to boost protection against 3 separate diseases: Diptheria, Tetanus and Polio. MenACWY vaccine protects against 4 strains of the meningococcal bacteria - A,C,W,and Y which cause meningitis and blood poisoning. The School Immunisations Team are using an electronic method of communication this year. Please register for a Parent Portal account and fill in an online consent. To access the letter that has been sent to Year 9 parents please click here The deadline to complete the consent is Wednesday, 14th of December.

Summer Exams 2023

The exam boards have released a provisional timetable for the external GCSE summer exams. These start on Monday, 15th of May and are set to last for five school weeks. The last day for exams will be Wednesday, 21st of June. The following week is currently down as a contingency week should we have any lockdowns etc. and exams need to be moved. The Year 11 Prom is provisionally booked for Thursday, 22nd of June. Students will be required in school until their last exam, although we do try to collapse the timetable when the bigger exams have taken place so they can focus on the lessons for the smaller exams. Click here to access the timetable

Last week of term

As a school, we really want to celebrate the students' achievements this term. All year groups will enjoy a celebration assembly where we will acknowledge not only those students that do the right thing, at the right time, in the right place, but also those that go above and beyond. The following will take place during the last week of term:

Monday 19th December

Normal lessons apart from:

- Period 1 Year 7 Celebration Christmas Assembly
- Period 2 Year 8 Celebration Christmas Assembly
- Period 3 & 4 Year 9 & 10 Christmas rewards cinema (Performance Hall)

Tuesday 20th December

Normal lessons apart from:

- Period 1 Year 9 Celebration Christmas Assembly
- Period 2 Year 10 Celebration Christmas Assembly
- Period 3 & 4 Year 9 & 10 Christmas rewards cinema (Performance Hall)
- Christmas Lunch in the Dining Hall

Wednesday 21st December

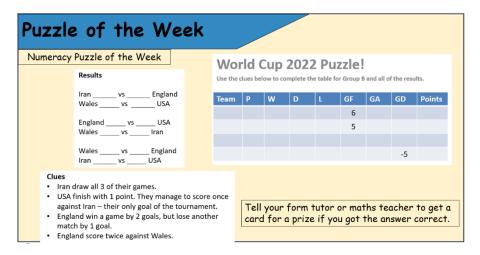
Normal lessons apart from:

- Period 1 Normal Lesson
- Period 2 Year 11 Celebration Christmas Assembly
- Extended Break with a hot breakfast available
- Period 3 Reduced Period 3 Form Christmas Quiz.
- Early Finish 12.05 Happy Holidays!

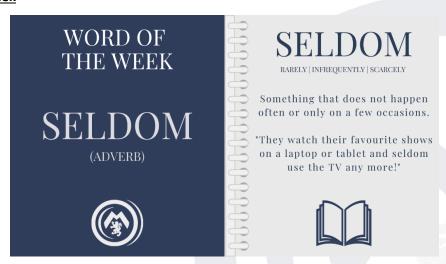
Christmas Card Competition.

Our Christmas Card competition is still running this week. The competition is open to all students and the winning design will be published and sent out to other schools and our local community from Team Moorside. All entries should be handed in at reception before 12noon on Wednesday, 7th of December. The design should be no bigger than A5 and should represent us as a school. We are really looking forward to seeing all the designs.

Puzzle of the week



Word of the week



Key Dates:

Monday 5th – Friday 16th December Year 7

Monday 12th December

• Wednesday 21st December

• Tuesday 3rd January 2023

• Wednesday 4th January 2023

Year 7, 9 and 10 Assessment weeks

Mock results day

School closes for Christmas

INSET Day

School re-opens 08:25

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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Are you aged 11-17 & LGBTO+

Salford LGBTQ+ youth group are a safe place with friendly staff for LGBTQ+ young people.

Our groups provide a safe space to come and explore your sexuality or gender identity, with fun activities such as music, performing arts, games, art activities, discussions, campaigns and trips and visits though out the year. Helpful staff are also there for you to discuss any concerning issues you may have?

For more information, email us at youth.services@salford.gov.uk



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Here are the details for our weekly LGBTQ+ youth groups!

LITTLE HULTON

MONDAY

G Bridgewater Youth Centre(Little Hulton) M38 9WD **5:30pm - 8:00pm**

ECCLES

TUESDAYS

(a The Castle Community Centre (Eccles) M30 0PU

5:30pm - 8:00pm

SWINTON

WEDNESDAYS

ര The Deans Activity Centre

(Swinton) M27 0HZ

4:30pm - 7:00pm

PENDLETON

THURSDAYS

@ The Beacon Centre

(Charlestown) M6 6QT

5:30pm - 8:00pm

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