



Moorside
High School

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Moorside News



THE MOORSIDE WAY : THE WAY WE DO IT AT MOORSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

THE MOORSIDE WAY #TEAM MOORSIDE



Play your part in the
positive learning
environment



Use technology
appropriately



Wear correct
uniform



Planner, equipment,
knowledge organiser
out on desks



Complete all
homework and
hand in on time



Listen and follow
instructions first
time



Move around the
corridors sensibly



Look after school
property and keep
the school tidy



Arrive on time
to school and
lessons



Be respectful
to everyone

OVER AND OUT... IT'S SUMMER!

As the school year draws to a close, we are thrilled to present to you the much-awaited third issue of our school newspaper, curated by English's Mr Howson and written by our very own students. Be prepared to flick through captivating articles, thought-provoking and exciting updates on our most recent school events. The final issue of the academic year is a true reflection of the diverse perspectives and voices that make our school so special. In our first edition for the academic year 2023 - 2024, our new 'Student Leadership Team' will be introducing themselves and sharing some information about the exciting plans they have for the students. Have a lovely summer everyone.

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and much more....

MOORSIDE HIGH SCHOOL'S CLASSICS STUDENTS IMMERSE IN HISTORY AT THE BRITISH MUSEUM

Moorside High School Classics students embarked on a captivating journey through time as they visited the renowned British Museum, located in the heart of London. The educational expedition, organised by Miss Powell, offered a unique opportunity for the young learners to immerse themselves in the rich heritage and cultural treasures housed within the walls of the prestigious institution.

Accompanied by our Classics teacher, my peers and I eagerly explored the expansive galleries of the British Museum, home to an extraordinary collection of artefacts and exhibits from civilisations spanning thousands of years. The purpose of the trip was to supplement our classroom learning and bring history to life, enabling us to witness first hand the wonders we had previously only read about in textbooks.

The journey commenced in the Ancient Egypt section, where awe-struck students marvelled at the grandeur of colossal statues, intricate hieroglyphics, and well-preserved mummies. The room echoed with gasps of wonder as we all gazed upon the famous Rosetta Stone, a key artefact that helped unravel the mysteries of ancient Egyptian writing.

Moving through time and geography, we traversed the Greek and Roman galleries, exploring artefacts that offered insights into the birth of democracy, the Olympics, and the legendary heroes and gods of these ancient civilisations. The classical sculptures and intricately decorated pottery fascinated us all tremendously, igniting our curiosity about life in these ancient societies.

The journey continued to the Asian wing of the museum, where students discovered the vibrant cultures of China, Japan, and India. We marvelled at delicate porcelain masterpieces, elegant silk garments, and intricate Buddhist sculptures, gaining a newfound appreciation for the diversity and richness of Eastern civilisations.

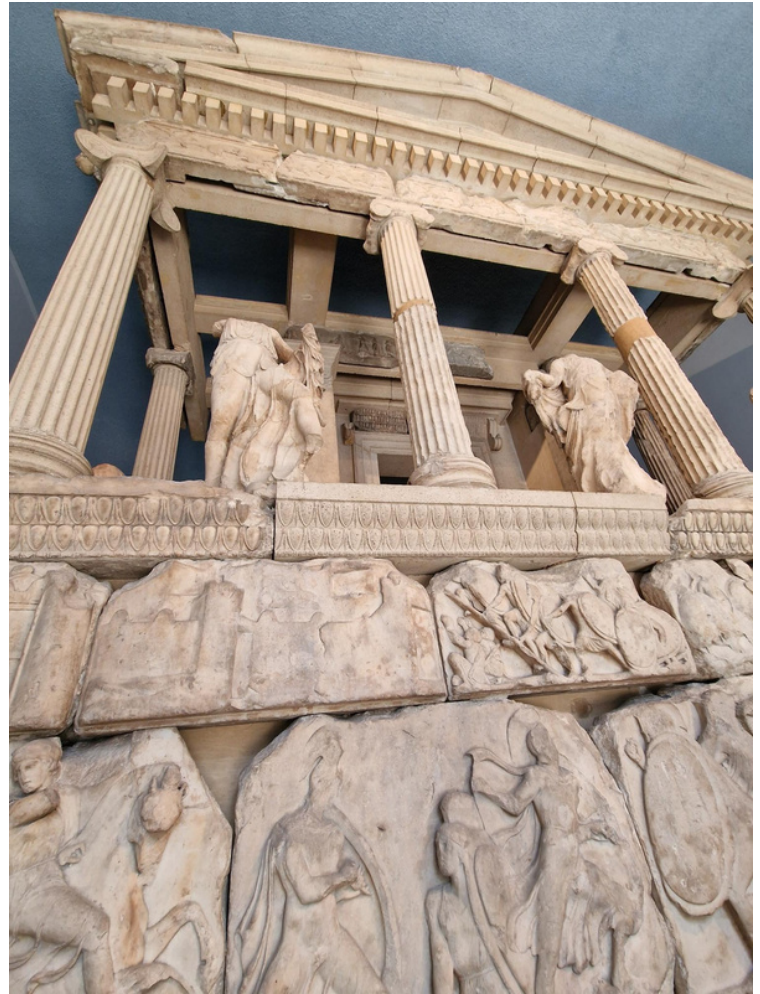


Undoubtedly, one of the highlights of the trip was the opportunity to view the Parthenon Marbles, also known as the Elgin Marbles. The controversial sculptures, which once adorned the Parthenon in Athens, Greece, sparked lively discussions among the students about cultural heritage and the ethical considerations surrounding the ownership and display of such artefacts.

After a full day of exploration, we discussed our trip on the journey back to the school, sharing our most memorable experiences and the knowledge gained during the visit. Many of us expressed a newfound passion for history, inspired by the museum's labyrinth of exhibits and the stories they unveiled. Miss Powell, English and Classics Teacher, expressed her delight with the students' engagement and the impact of the trip on their understanding of history. "The Classics Cohort really embraced the opportunity to see the artefacts they study in person – from the metopes of the Parthenon to the statues of the gods, students truly had a journey through time," she said. "Students were extremely lucky as the Museum allowed us to venture through the Myths and Power exhibition which hosts Persian treasures from the Middle East."

The trip to the British Museum undoubtedly left an indelible mark on the Classics Cohort of Moorside High School. The valuable experience not only broadened their historical knowledge but also instilled in them a sense of wonder and appreciation for the ancient world and the way it has shaped the present.

By Emily Elsey (Year 10)



GLIDE TO GREATNESS: MOORSIDE HIGH SCHOOL'S

In the frosty embrace of the ice rink, I find a world where gravity is defied and dreams take flight. As a Year 8 student at Moorside High School, my passion for ice skating has led me to join a remarkable club. Although not directly affiliated with the school, the unwavering support and inspiration I receive from Moorside High School has nurtured my love for ice skating and empowered me to go above and beyond in pursuit of my dreams.

Moorside High School understands the significance of fostering a well-rounded education that extends beyond the confines of traditional academics. They believe that non-school related activities play a vital role in our personal growth and development. With this philosophy at its core, Moorside High School encourages us to explore our passions and supports us in pursuing opportunities beyond the school grounds.

The ice-skating club I am a part of has become my second home, a place where I can express myself and push the boundaries of my abilities. Each week, I lace up my skates and glide across the glistening ice, surrounded by a community of fellow skaters who share my passion. Though it is not an official school club, Moorside High School's influence permeates every aspect of my ice-skating journey.

Moorside High School's support and inspiration transcend the boundaries of the school itself. Their unwavering belief in our potential motivates me to strive for excellence and explore new horizons. Through their encouragement, I have discovered the courage to push beyond my comfort zone, set higher goals, and embrace challenges that lie beyond the realm of school-sponsored activities.

While the ice-skating club operates independently, Moorside High School has played an integral role in shaping my journey. Their commitment to nurturing our passions extends beyond the classroom, reminding me that my potential knows no bounds. Their belief in my abilities instills in me the confidence to reach for the stars, even in activities that are not officially affiliated with the school.



SUPPORT FUELS MY JOURNEY IN ICE SKATING

As I progress in my ice-skating journey, Moorside High School continues to inspire me to go above and beyond. Their unwavering support and guidance have propelled me to transition to the intermediate level at the club. With their encouragement, I have embraced more complex routines, refined my technique, and discovered new heights of skill and artistry on the ice.

Moorside High School's commitment to non-school related activities has instilled in me a sense of balance and well-being. Their support reminds me that my passion for ice skating is not limited to the rink—it has become a driving force that motivates me to excel academically, foster meaningful relationships, and tackle new challenges head-on. Through their belief in the importance of pursuing our passions, Moorside High School has enriched my overall educational experience.

Moorside High School's influence has inspired me to dream big and set my sights on extraordinary achievements. Their belief in my potential has ignited a fire within me to strive for greatness, both on and off the ice. With each graceful glide, I carry their support and guidance, knowing that Moorside High School's impact propels me forward and encourages me to reach for the stars.

As a Year 8 student, I am grateful for the unwavering support and inspiration I receive from Moorside High School. Their belief in my abilities, even in activities beyond the school's realm, has nurtured my passion for ice skating and allowed me to explore my potential to the fullest. Their impact extends beyond the classroom walls, inspiring me to glide to greatness, chase my dreams, and embrace a future filled with infinite possibilities.

by Isabella Johnson (Year 8)



If you take part in any activities outside of school and would like to share your experience, please see Mr Howson who will ensure you get a spot in the next edition of our school newspaper.

Music Club: Make Some Noise with Us Today!

As you may already know, music is deeply ingrained in our way of life, with its influence spanning from religious rituals to global peace movements and pop culture. If you've ever dreamed of becoming a talented musician in our society, then look no further than our very own Music Club. This club is a haven for those seeking to express themselves through music, offering everything from solo performances to the formation of full-fledged bands. With its eclectic mix of quirky and talented individuals, you're sure to find like-minded friends here.

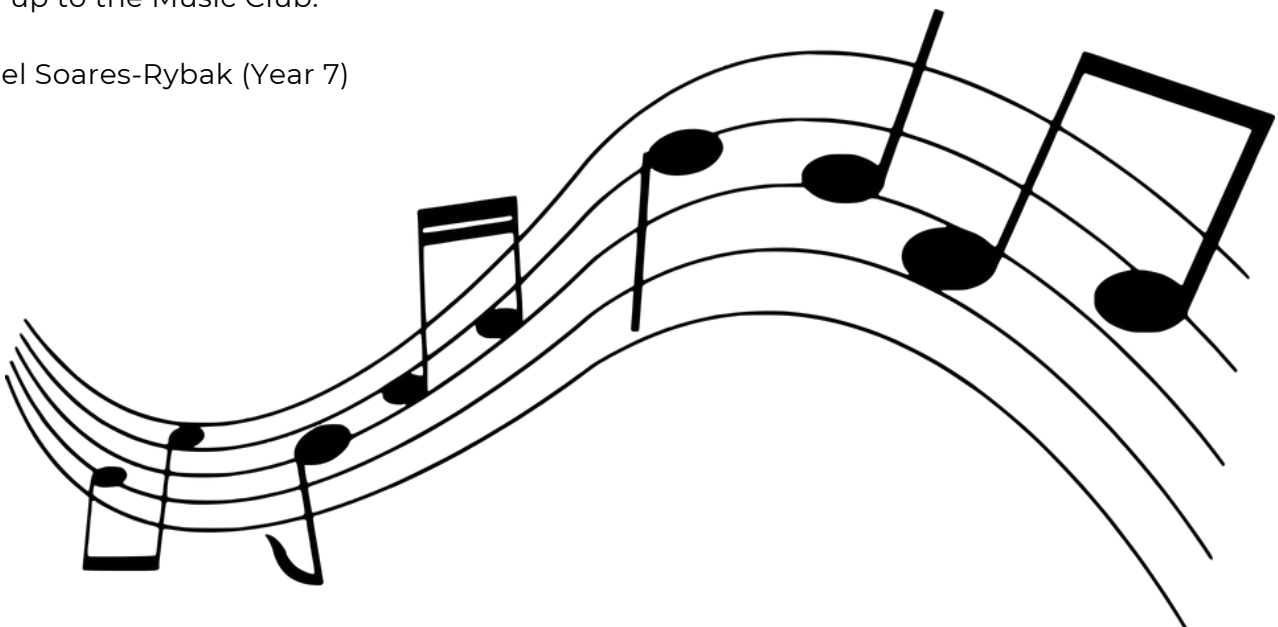
The Music Club meets on Week A, starting at 15:00 and ending at 16:00. Additionally, you can book individual music rooms on Wednesdays, Mondays, and Thursdays. The club is led by Miss Hill, who is usually in charge, but when she has a meeting, Miss Semmens steps in to ensure the club continues to run smoothly. The club provides a welcoming space for self-expression and a celebration of various music genres, including rock, jazz, and pop. The well-equipped rooms house bass, electric, and acoustic guitars, as well as pianos and drum kits. If you prefer, you can even bring your own musical instruments to showcase your unique sound.

The club acts as a collaborative hub, where students come together to practice, share new styles, and showcase their musical talents. If you find yourself struggling with an instrument, don't hesitate to ask one of our friendly members for assistance—they'll be more than happy to lend a helping hand. Miss Hill is also available to help you tune your instrument or assist in finding any required equipment. To give you an insider's perspective, I had the chance to interview Kieran Wild, a talented and experienced member of the club, who had this to say about it:

"The Music Club is an amazing place to be. It's perfect for expanding your musical skills and interests. With bass guitars, electric guitars, acoustic guitars, and drums, there's a wide range of instruments to explore. Both Miss Hill and Miss Semmons are always ready to lend a hand," says Kieran Wild, also known as The Dictator Drummer.

If you have a genuine passion for music, I highly recommend the Music Club to anyone looking to kickstart their musical journey, make new friends, and share their tunes with others. Whether you're a seasoned musician or just starting out, this club welcomes you with open arms. So why not give it a try? Come and join us—we'll be eagerly awaiting your arrival, even if you accidentally miss a beat when rocking up to the Music Club.

By Rafael Soares-Rybak (Year 7)



SPEAK UP, SPEAK OUT

Wanting to ensure that student voices are heard, Moorside High School is encouraging young people to report any discriminatory behaviour they either witness or fall victim to or if they need to reach out for support, to do so, via the 'Speak Up, Speak Out' campaign. With an ethos centred around CARE, the compassion felt among Team Moorside's corridors may often mask some of the larger issues at stake of becoming institutionalised.



Below are some useful websites to improve wellbeing, resilience and decrease stress:

- **Moodscope:** If you are struggling with low mood, depression, or mood disorders, Moodscope offers an online personal mood management tool that effectively measures and tracks your moods. www.moodscope.com
- **Steps for Stress:** This website covers practical ways for you to start dealing with stress. www.nhs.uk
- **Get self-help:** This website offers CBT self-help information and resources including therapy worksheets, useful for home. www.getselfhelp.co.uk
- **Be Mindful:** The Mental Health Foundation wants to make mindfulness available to everyone. This website is useful for parents who want more information about mindfulness, mindfulness-based stress reduction, and mindfulness-based cognitive therapy. www.bemindfulonline.com
- **Kooth:** Your online mental wellbeing community. Free, safe, and anonymous support. www.kooth.com



Riding the Waves of Passion: Moorside High School's Impact on

In the shimmering depths of the water, I find my passion, my strength, and my hideaway. As a Year 8 student at Moorside High School, my love for swimming has led me to a remarkable journey with a local swimming club (City of Salford Swimming Club). Though not directly affiliated with the school, the support and inspiration I receive from Moorside High School has encouraged my passion and empowered me to go above and beyond in pursuing my swimming dreams.

Moorside High School recognizes the importance of outside activities that extend beyond the confines of the classroom. They understand that non-school related activities play a pivotal role in our personal lives and development. With this belief at its core, Moorside High School nurtures our passions and encourages us to explore opportunities beyond the school grounds.

The swimming club I am part of offers a sanctuary for swimmers like me. Every day, we gather at many different local pools around Salford, united by our shared love for swimming. The club allows us to dive into a world of possibilities, guided by experienced coaches who inspire us to reach new heights and goals at galas (swim races). While the swimming club is not an official school club, the influence of Moorside High School helps aspects of my journey. For example, my maths has helped me read the clock and times from races and training.

Moorside High School's support extends beyond the school gates. Their commitment to nurturing our passions and interests motivates me to give my all in every stroke and push myself further. Through their and my coach's encouragement, I am inspired to go above and beyond, setting higher goals of my swimming abilities.

Moorside High School provides a nurturing environment that empowers me to pursue my swimming dreams and to keep fit and healthy. Their unwavering support goes beyond the classroom, reminding me that my potential is limitless, and dreams can come true. Their belief in everyone's ability brings out the confidence to chase after our goals, even if they lie beyond the realm of school-sponsored activities.



My Swimming Club Journey

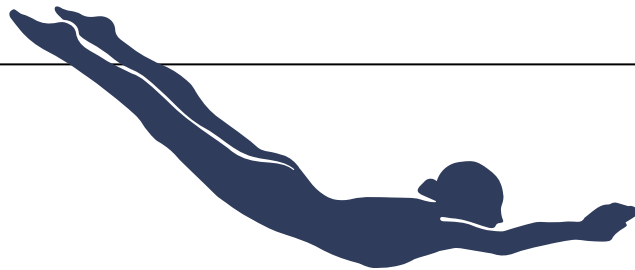
While the swimming club operates independently, Moorside High School has played a significant role in shaping my journey. The school's dedication to our holistic development has instilled in my values such as perseverance, discipline, and the importance of pushing myself. Our schools care values don't just take part in school but they're also a part of our everyday life's. Resilience plays a big part in my swimming, I remember to never give up even if my race wasn't good, there is always somewhere to improve.

Through their commitment to non-school related activities, Moorside High School has shown me that my passion for swimming is not limited to the pool. It has become a driving force that motivates me to excel academically, have friendships outside of school , and embrace challenges head-on. Their support has taught me the importance of balance and has enriched my overall educational experience.

Moorside High School's influence has inspired me to dream big and set my sights on new horizons. Their belief in my potential has set a fire within me to strive for excellence and embrace opportunities beyond what may be expected. With each stroke in the water, I carry their encouragement and guidance, knowing that my schools influence propels me forward.

As a Year 8 student, I am grateful for the unwavering support and inspiration I receive from Moorside High School. Their belief in my abilities, even in activities beyond the school's purview, has nurtured my passion for swimming and allowed me to explore my potential to the fullest. Their impact goes beyond the four walls of the classroom, inspiring me to ride the waves of passion, chase my dreams, and embrace a future filled with endless possibilities.

by Evie Booth (Year 8)



TEAM MOORSIDE - THE MOORSIDE WAY



Complete all homework and hand in on time



Play your part in the positive learning environment



Wear correct uniform



Planner, equipment, knowledge organiser out on desks



Be respectful to everyone



Use technology appropriately



Look after school property and keep the school tidy



Move around the corridors sensibly



Listen and follow instructions first time



Arrive on time to school and lessons



Twentieth Year Celebration—Salford Children's Book Award 2023

Over the course of the year we hold a thriving weekly Reading Club. The pupils have been engaged in this year's Salford Children's Book Awards, reading the shortlist of six titles.

The culmination of their hard work was on Wednesday 28th June when they attended The New Adelphi Theatre for the announcement of this year's winning title. The award is an integral part of embedding Reading for Pleasure in our pupils and is a particular favourite as our pupils vote for their winning book. The ceremony itself has a family feel as the pupils mingle and chat with the six shortlisted authors. They are able to discuss the inspiration behind the books and take selfies and obtain autographs.

One of our pupils personally took refreshments to the Mayor of Salford and engaged in a lengthy chat about the award, reading, the position of Mayor and the responsibility that involves. We were further honoured this year, as five of our pupils were presenting speeches on behalf of the shortlisted titles and authors. The winner was a particular favourite of our pupils Ghostcloud by Michael Mann.

Further details are available via the Salford Community Leisure website

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/schools/schools-libraries/book-award/>

All the books are available from Salford Community Leisure libraries and can be accessed in your local branch or online. Why not join enabling your child to access thousands of new and classic titles.

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/libraries/join/>

Enjoy the summer break and take part in the Big Salford Summer Read

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/libraries/bssr-23/>



Moorside High School's Summer Cup Competition Ignites Passion for Football and Fosters Team Spirit

Moorside High School has introduced a brilliant new football league, the Summer Cup Competition, to engage students in friendly competition and express their love for the beautiful game. Led by dedicated teachers Mr. Fish and Mr. Higham, this weekly event has lit up a passion for football among students, dedicated to teamwork and sportsmanship.

Every Thursday after school, the school's football field is transformed into a place of excitement and competition as teams representing year 8 face-off in exhilarating matches. The Summer Cup Competition provides a platform for students to showcase their skills, bond with teammates, and experience the thrill of competitive football in a supportive and friendly environment.

Mr. Fish and Mr. Higham, the driving forces behind this idea, have poured their enthusiasm and expertise into organizing the Summer Cup Competition. Their dedication to fostering a love for football and creating an inclusive atmosphere has been instrumental in its success. With their guidance, students have developed a deeper understanding of the sport, improved their abilities, and embraced the values of teamwork, discipline, and fair play.

The Summer Cup Competition has been met with unbelievable enthusiasm from students across the school, with teams eagerly signing up to participate. The tournament format ensures that every team can compete and demonstrate their skills on the field. It has also provided a platform for students who may not have had previous opportunities to showcase their football talent.

The matches themselves have been nothing short of electrifying. Students have exhibited remarkable talent, demonstrating their agility, precision, and strategic thinking. The high-energy games have kept spectators on the edge of their seats, with cheers and applause reverberating across the field as goals are scored and impressive saves are made.

The Summer Cup Competition not only showcases individual skills but also promotes team spirit and unity. It has created a sense of resilience among players, as they work together to strategize, communicate, and support each other on the field. The bonds formed during the matches extend beyond the competition, experiencing lasting friendships and a strong sense of belonging.

Mr. Higham, one of the organisers, expressed his delight at the impact of the Summer Cup Competition has said: "Approximately 60 year 8 students have been taking part in this amazing competition. There have been some fantastic footballing abilities showcased and all the players have been demonstrating good attitude and amazing coordination and leadership qualities."

Edited by Alfatih Abbas, (Year 8)



Unleashing Imagination: Best Reads for Young Pupils

High school is a time of growth, self-discovery, and expanding horizons. One of the most incredible ways to embark on this journey is through the captivating world of literature. Whether you're an avid reader or just beginning to explore the power of words, here is a curated list of the best reads for young high school pupils recommended by our teachers. These books will transport you to different worlds, spark your imagination, and ignite a love for storytelling.



"Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" by J.K. Rowling: No list for young readers is complete without the magical adventures of Harry Potter. Join Harry and his friends at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry as they uncover mysteries, battle dark forces, and learn the power of friendship. This enchanting series by J.K. Rowling will capture your imagination and remind you that magic can be found in unexpected places.

"The Hate U Give" by Angie Thomas: This powerful and thought-provoking novel follows the journey of Starr, a young black girl who witnesses a police shooting. Angie Thomas tackles important themes of race, identity, and social justice with grace and authenticity. Through Starr's voice, readers are encouraged to find their own voices and speak up against injustice.

"The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak: Set in Nazi Germany, this hauntingly beautiful story revolves around Liesel Meminger, a young girl who finds solace and courage in books during a time of turmoil. Markus Zusak's mesmerizing prose and unforgettable characters make this novel a must-read, emphasizing the power of words to heal and inspire.

"To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee: Harper Lee's classic masterpiece explores themes of racial inequality and social injustice through the eyes of Scout Finch, a young girl growing up in the Deep South. This timeless novel challenges readers to confront prejudice, empathy, and the complexities of the human experience.

"The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green: John Green's heart-wrenching and bittersweet tale of love and loss follows Hazel and Gus, two teenagers fighting cancer. As they navigate their own mortality, their relationship blossoms, teaching them about the importance of living life to the fullest. This emotionally charged novel will make you laugh, cry, and reflect on the fragility and beauty of existence.

"The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" by Mark Haddon: Meet Christopher Boone, a fifteen-year-old boy with an extraordinary mind but struggles with social interactions. Mark Haddon's novel provides a unique and compelling perspective on autism and celebrates the resilience of the human spirit.

"The Perks of Being a Wallflower" by Stephen Chbosky: Charlie, an introverted and observant high school freshman, shares his experiences through a series of letters. Stephen Chbosky's novel explores themes of friendship, self-discovery, and the challenges of adolescence. This coming-of-age story is a powerful reminder that everyone has a unique journey and that connections can provide solace in even the darkest of times.

"Northern Lights" by Philip Pullman: Enter the extraordinary world of Lyra Belacqua, a young girl embarking on a dangerous adventure filled with parallel universes, armoured bears, and mysterious dust. Philip Pullman's gripping fantasy novel challenges conventions, explores complex themes, and invites readers to question authority and embrace curiosity.

These books are just the tip of the literary iceberg, waiting to transport you to captivating worlds, spark your imagination, and broaden your perspective. Whether you're seeking magical realms, thought-provoking stories, or unforgettable characters, these best reads for young high school pupils in Britain are guaranteed to leave an indelible mark on your reading journey.

So, grab a cozy blanket, find a quiet nook, and let these books take you on extraordinary adventures. Remember, in the realm of literature, there are no limits, and the possibilities are endless. Happy reading, young bookworms, and may these stories inspire and accompany you throughout your high school years and beyond.



INSPIRING MINDS: KAI BOOTH'S MOTIVATIONAL POSTERS UPLIFT STUDENTS AND STAFF AT MOORSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

In the bustling hallways of Moorside High School, a remarkable year 10 student by the name of Kai Booth has taken it upon themselves to spread positivity and motivation through their incredible creations—motivational posters. These vibrant and uplifting artworks serve as a powerful reminder to students and staff alike to hold their heads up, persevere, and nurture their mental well-being.

In a world that can sometimes feel overwhelming and challenging, it's essential to have reminders that inspire us to stay motivated and resilient. Kai Booth's motivational posters do just that. With their vivid colours, captivating designs, and thoughtful messages, these posters breathe life into the hallways of Moorside High School, serving as beacons of encouragement for all who pass by.

One of the significant challenges faced by students is the struggle of making new friends or ignoring those who repetitively make the wrong choices. I myself have struggled to deal with these situations but I encourage that you can push through these difficulties and get back on your feet, this is Moorside after all, a great school for students of all ethnicities, religion, and race. Kai Booth's posters prove that pupils are integral to this fantastic educational hive no matter what anyone says otherwise.

The posters created by Kai Booth are not mere decorations; they hold a deeper meaning. Each poster is a small but powerful tool for promoting mental well-being. By urging students and staff to hold their heads up and persevere, these artworks instil a sense of resilience and remind us that even in the face of adversity, we can overcome challenges and grow stronger.

Furthermore, the impact of these motivational posters reaches beyond the individual level. They contribute to the overall atmosphere of Moorside High School, fostering a supportive and uplifting environment for all. When students and staff encounter these inspiring messages throughout their day, they are reminded that they are not alone in their struggles and that the entire school community is rooting for their success.

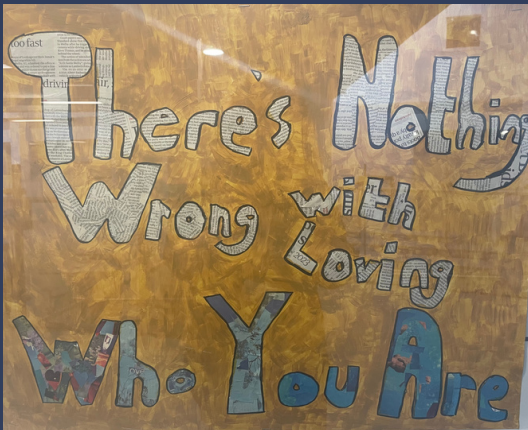
The power of these posters lies in their ability to uplift spirits and encourage a growth mindset. They serve as daily affirmations, encouraging students and staff to believe in their abilities and embrace the journey of learning and personal development. The messages promote a culture of perseverance, reminding everyone that setbacks are merely steppingstones on the path to success.

Kai Booth's dedication to creating these motivational posters reflects their commitment to the well-being of their fellow students and staff. By taking the initiative to spread positivity and encouragement, Kai has become a beacon of inspiration themselves. Their artistic talent and empathy have united the Moorside High School community in a shared goal of nurturing mental health and celebrating the strength and resilience of individuals

In a world where pressures and challenges can sometimes feel overwhelming, it's the small gestures that make a significant impact. Kai Booth's motivational posters serve as daily reminders to hold our heads up, push through adversity, and prioritise our mental well-being. They inspire us to embrace the journey, no matter how challenging it may seem, and remind us that we can achieve greatness.

As the vibrant posters continue to adorn the walls of Moorside High School, their influence grows stronger with each passing day. Students and staff are uplifted by the messages they encounter, fostering a sense of community, support, and shared determination to face life's hurdles with resilience and optimism. Through their artistry and compassion, Kai has made a lasting impact on the Moorside High School community, inspiring us to stay motivated and reminding us that together, we can overcome any challenge that comes our way.

Edited by Rafael Soares-Rybak (Year 7)



A Day of Sporting Thrills: Moorside's Trip to Old Trafford for Live Cricket



Excitement buzzed through the air as students from Moorside High School's Years 7 to 10 eagerly made their way to Old Trafford in Salford. The destination: a thrilling day of live cricket. As a Year 8 student fortunate enough to be part of this unforgettable experience, I can confidently say it was an adventure that left an unforgettable mark on our sporting spirits.

The purpose of the trip was simple yet significant: to immerse ourselves in the electric atmosphere of live sport and witness the exhilarating spectacle of cricket unfold before our very eyes. As young enthusiasts of the game, this was an opportunity to learn, appreciate, and be inspired by the skill, passion, and teamwork displayed by the players on the field.

As we entered the iconic Old Trafford stadium, the sheer grandeur of the venue took our breath away. The anticipation mounted as we settled into our seats, surrounded by a sea of excited classmates, all eagerly awaiting the action to commence. The atmosphere was electric, a symphony of cheers, claps, and the occasional roar from the crowd with the mascot Lanky the Giraffe cheering the team on.

The match itself was a riveting contest, showcasing the grace, power, and strategy that makes cricket such a captivating sport. We watched in awe as the players skilfully swung the bat and ball, executing breathtaking strokes and unleashing thunderous overs. Each boundary, wicket, and single fuelled our excitement, drawing us deeper into the game's intensity with Lancashire getting early wickets and catches.

What made this experience truly special was the sense of unity among the students. As we cheered and celebrated together, we felt a bond, united by our shared love for the sport. Strangers became friends, and a collective spirit of sportsmanship filled the air.

Beyond the thrill of the game, the trip to Old Trafford served a greater purpose—to expose us to the world of live sport. It taught us that being part of a live event goes beyond the game itself. It's about the energy of the crowd, the vibrant atmosphere, and the emotions that reverberate through the stadium. This experience gave us a taste of what it means to be part of something larger than ourselves—a sporting community that unites people from all walks of life.

As a Year 8 student, I feel incredibly grateful to Moorside High School for organising this remarkable outing. It's a testament to their commitment to providing enriching experiences beyond the classroom, nurturing our passion for sport, and broadening our horizons.

The trip to Old Trafford was not just about cricket; it was a lesson in teamwork, dedication, and the pursuit of excellence. Witnessing the skill and determination of the players inspired us to push ourselves, set goals, and strive for greatness in our own pursuits—whether it be in sports, academics, or any other aspect of our lives.

Looking back on that memorable day, I am filled with a renewed sense of appreciation for the power of live sport. The cheers, the togetherness, the shared moments of jubilation—all remind us of the magic that unfolds when people come together to celebrate a common passion. It's an experience that transcends age, background, and differences, reminding us of the universality of sport as a unifying force.

To my fellow Year 8 classmates who were part of this incredible adventure, let's cherish the memories we made at Old Trafford. Let's carry the lessons learned and the spirit of sportsmanship with us as we continue our journey through Moorside High School and beyond. And may this experience ignite a lifelong love for live sport and a passion to be part of the thrilling action whenever the opportunity arises.

As we left Old Trafford that day, the echoes of cheers and the exhilaration of the match still resonated within us. It was more than just a game; it was a testament to the power of sport to inspire, unite, and create lasting memories.

Edited by Lewis McLoughlin (Year 8)



To New Pupils: Welcome to Team Moorside!



As you embark on your high school journey for the next five years, I know you might be thinking, "Oh my God, this is a new school. How am I going to fit in and make friends?" Well, fear not, because there are a few ways and a few people who will make your transition smoother.

Feeling alone and in need of a quiet place to unwind and maybe read a book? Well, the library is the perfect spot for you. Once you step inside, all your worries will disappear as you sink into the cozy sofas, accompanied only by your thoughts. In the library, you'll find the friends you need, including Miss Smith, our librarian who happens to be one of the friendliest ladies on the planet. If you're feeling adventurous, you can even participate in Salford's Children Book Award. All you have to do is read six books, choose your favourite, and voila! You'll earn a chance to go on a school trip to meet the author of your chosen book.

Lunchtime can be a time when you find yourself surrounded only by friends from your primary school. But trust me when I say this, don't limit yourself to the familiar faces. Instead, go out and make new friends. If you see someone sitting alone, be brave and join them. Strike up a conversation. In just a few weeks, you'll be having the time of your life with these newfound friends, while those who stuck with their primary school groups may find themselves friendless.

Looking to make even more friends and find something to do after school? Well, Moorside High School has a wide range of clubs for you to explore. From Art Club on Mondays to Netball Club and Journalism Club on Wednesdays, there's something for everyone. Moorside encourages its new pupils to discover their interests and passions through these clubs, providing a supportive environment to nurture their talents.

Walking into Moorside High School for the first time can be overwhelming. You might experience a mix of emotions, with fear being one of the strongest. But let me tell you something, you are not alone, and you never will be. That's why we have so many great clubs and people here to help you through it all. The first day is always the hardest, as you navigate unfamiliar hallways and classrooms. But remember, everyone else is going through the same thing, and it will all be worth it when you excel in your GCSEs.

So, welcome to Team Moorside! Embrace the challenges, cherish the friendships, and make the most of this incredible journey. Remember, you are never alone at Moorside High School. Together, we will conquer any fears and achieve great things.

Tips for new starters:

Embrace New Experiences: High school is a vibrant tapestry of opportunities waiting to be explored. Take the plunge and get involved in extracurricular activities, clubs, and sports teams. It's a fantastic way to meet new friends, discover hidden talents, and create lasting memories.

Stay Organised: The transition to high school can sometimes feel overwhelming with multiple subjects, assignments, and deadlines. Establish a system that works for you—whether it's using a planner, creating to-do lists, or setting reminders on your phone. Staying organised will help you manage your time effectively and reduce stress.

Ask for Help: Don't be afraid to seek guidance from teachers, older students, or even your classmates. High school is a supportive community, and there are always people willing to lend a hand. If you're struggling with a subject, reach out for clarification or schedule extra help sessions. Remember, everyone was once a Year 7 student too.

Build Positive Relationships: Forge connections with your peers, teachers, and staff members. Surround yourself with individuals who uplift and inspire you. These relationships will not only make your high school experience more enjoyable but also provide a support system during challenging times.

Be Kind and Respectful: High school is a diverse melting pot of personalities, backgrounds, and experiences. Treat everyone with kindness, respect, and empathy. Small acts of kindness can brighten someone's day and create a positive atmosphere for everyone.

Balance Academics and Well-being: While academics are important, remember to prioritise your mental and physical well-being. Take breaks, practice self-care, and engage in activities that bring you joy. Balancing schoolwork with extra-curricular activities will help you maintain a healthy and fulfilling high school experience.

Embrace Mistakes and Learn from Them: High school is a time of growth and self-discovery. Don't be afraid to make mistakes—view them as valuable learning opportunities. Embrace challenges and setbacks, knowing that they shape you into a stronger, more resilient individual.

Stay Connected with Family and Friends: Even though high school brings new friends and experiences, don't forget the importance of staying connected with your loved ones. Cherish the support and advice they offer, as they have your best interests at heart.

Celebrate Achievements, Big and Small: Throughout your high school journey, celebrate your accomplishments, whether they're big or small. Recognise your hard work, progress, and achievements, and let them serve as motivation for future endeavours.



Celebrating the 'Pride of Moorside': A Night of Achievement and Inspiration

On the memorable evening of July 12th, Moorside High School was abuzz with excitement as the much-anticipated 'Pride of Moorside' event took centre stage. This remarkable event served as a powerful celebration of our students' exceptional achievements across a myriad of categories, including Opportunity, Excellence, Equity, Resilience, Aspiration, and Contribution to School Life. As teachers, it was a joy to witness the well-deserved recognition of our students' accomplishments.

The event, held at 7pm, was a testament to the vibrant spirit and unwavering commitment of our school community. Parents, staff members, and students eagerly gathered to applaud the achievements of their peers, creating an atmosphere of support and pride.

Among the standout moments of the evening were the announcement of the award winners. In the 'Pupil Centred' category, Daniel, Millie, Todor and Albie were awarded for their exceptional dedication and commitment to putting their fellow pupils first. Their empathy and willingness to support others truly embody the values of Moorside High School.

Julian, Alfie, Elsa and Lily, another collection of outstanding individuals, were recognised with an Integrity award. Their unwavering honesty, moral values, and integrity have left an indelible mark on both their peers and teachers. Their commitment to doing what is right serves as an inspiration to all.

In the Resilience Awards, Amelia, Chun, Harry and Cillian's remarkable strength and determination were acknowledged. Their ability to overcome challenges with grace and perseverance has inspired their peers and teachers alike. Their resilience exemplifies the spirit of Moorside High School.





The 'Pride of Moorside' event was not limited to one year group but encompassed the achievements of excelling pupils from Year 7 to Year 10, with many other categories dedicated to hard-working students of Moorside. It was heartwarming to witness the recognition of our students' accomplishments across multiple areas. From academic excellence to the positive impact they have made within our school community, every pupil had a story worth celebrating.

Beyond the individual achievements, the 'Pride of Moorside' event also served as a reminder of the values that underpin our school community. Each student present at the event exemplified the C.A.R.E values— Consideration, Aspiration, Resilience, Equality—that are at the core of Moorside High School's ethos.

As teachers, we couldn't help but feel a swell of pride as we watched our students being celebrated for their hard work, dedication, and embodiment of our school values. The 'Pride of Moorside' event not only acknowledged individual accomplishments but also highlighted the collective achievements of our vibrant school community.

The event concluded with a renewed sense of inspiration and a commitment to continuing our journey of excellence. The 'Pride of Moorside' celebration showcased the remarkable talents, resilience, and determination of our students, serving as a reminder that they are the true pride of our school.

As we look back on this memorable evening, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the deserving award winners. We commend them for their outstanding achievements and for embodying the values that make Moorside High School so special.

To all the students who participated and contributed to the event, we applaud your efforts and dedication. Your commitment to excellence and the values of our school community continue to inspire us all.

The 'Pride of Moorside' event stands as a testament to the incredible potential within our student body. We look forward to witnessing the future accomplishments of our pupils as they continue to shine brightly and make a positive impact on our school, our community, and beyond.

Moorside High School Celebrates Inclusivity and Diversity with Spectacular Pride Concert

Moorside High School recently hosted a vibrant and uplifting Pride Concert, showcasing its unwavering commitment to inclusivity, acceptance, and celebration of diversity. The event, organised by the school's LGBTQ+ group, Miss Henn and talented performers, filled the hall with joy, unity, and a powerful message of love and acceptance.

The concert included an electrifying performance by the incredibly talented Gwen Williams-Jones and Kadie Harris, whose powerful voices filled the hall with a resounding energy that set the tone for the afternoon. The audience was captivated as both Gwen and Kadie effortlessly weaved their magic through songs that embodied the spirit of love, acceptance, and pride.

Another standout moment was Sophie Owen's poignant spoken word performance in solidarity with LGBTQIA+ acceptance. With each word, Sophie's powerful voice echoed throughout the room, championing love, equality, and the importance of embracing differences. Her heartfelt performance touched the hearts of everyone present, reinforcing the message of inclusivity and unity.

What truly made this event remarkable were the impromptu speeches delivered by Gwen Williams-Jones and Seb Straughten. They fearlessly stepped forward to share personal stories, inspiring words, and affirmations of LGBTQIA+ pride. Their heartfelt messages resonated deeply with the audience, reminding pupils of the importance of self-acceptance, unity, and embracing the beauty of diversity.

As the afternoon progressed, a highlight that had everyone on their feet and cheering was a music video montage featuring the incredible staff members of Moorside High School. Set to the infectious beats of Lady Gaga's empowering anthem, "Born This Way," the montage showcased our beloved staff members breaking out their dance moves, while none other than Headteacher Mrs Ryles Dean donned the infamous dinosaur costume that made its first premiere during Moorside's Masked Singer event. It was a moment of pure joy and unity, reminding pupils that, as educators, we proudly beside them in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community.

The Pride Concert at Moorside High School was more than just a performance; it was a celebration of love, acceptance, and the courage to be true to ourselves. This event provided a platform for our LGBTQIA+ community to shine, and for everyone in attendance to join in celebrating the richness and diversity that exists within our school.

The concert was a testament to Moorside High School's commitment to fostering an inclusive environment where every student feels accepted, valued, and celebrated for who they are. It served as a reminder that love knows no boundaries and that by embracing our differences, we create a stronger and more compassionate community.

Events like the Pride Concert empower pupils to challenge stereotypes, break down barriers, and create a world where love is love, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation. It is through these shared experiences that we foster understanding, empathy, and unity among our diverse student body.

By Mr Howson



Moorside High School Celebrates Achievements and Reflections at End-of-Year Assembly

Moorside High School bid farewell to another academic year with a series of vibrant and inspiring celebration assemblies. These special gatherings provided a platform for students and staff to reflect on their achievements, acknowledge their growth, and celebrate the collective efforts that made the year a success.

The end-of-year assemblies were a culmination of hard work, dedication, and the unwavering spirit of the Moorside High School community. Students from all grade levels gathered in the school hall, eagerly awaiting the opportunity to be recognised for their accomplishments and to express their gratitude to those who supported them throughout the year.

The assemblies showcased a diverse range of talents and achievements. Academic awards were presented to students who demonstrated outstanding performance and progress in their respective subjects. The recognition extended beyond academic excellence, with special awards honouring students' leadership skills from their Leadership Pathways booklet.

The atmosphere was filled with applause and cheers as each student's name was called, and they walked proudly across the stage to receive their awards. The sense of pride and accomplishment was palpable, not only among the recipients but also among their peers and teachers who were present to share in the celebration.

Reflecting on the year's highlights, the assemblies showcased videos and presentations featuring memorable moments, accomplishments in sports and extracurricular activities, and heartwarming acts of kindness and solidarity among students. These reflections fostered a sense of unity and gratitude, reminding everyone of the collective achievements that made the academic year special.

Mrs Ryles Dean, Headteacher at Moorside High School, expressed her admiration for the celebration assemblies and their impact on the school community. "We are so proud of the students achievements and how hard they have worked this year, it is only right that these are celebrated."

As the celebration assemblies drew to a close, students and staff left with a renewed sense of purpose and inspiration. The collective achievements celebrated during these assemblies serve as a testament to the school's commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals who are prepared to face the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. We wish everyone a safe and happy summer and look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday 6th September 2023 - 08:25





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