



Moorside High School
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#Team Moorside KS4 Raising Standards Lead Update

Raising Standards Half Term 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, it was lovely to see so many of you last half term during the 'Make It Stick' event. Year 11 students have now had the same session delivered to them to support with their understanding of what makes learning 'stick'. During this session, all students were provided with a 'Make it Stick' pack to support with their revision. This included all the essential equipment to support their revision.

This week, we are also launching 'T'is the season to study' and our '12 Days of Christmas' initiative to challenge students to attend 12 'Make it Stick' sessions before Christmas. Those students that commit to this challenge will be in with a chance to win prizes in the Christmas assembly. Students will also be given a revision strategy guide to support students putting their 'Make it Stick' packs into action.

As Raising Standards Lead, part of my role is to ensure students are supported to achieve their potential and aspirations. At Moorside, we offer a wide range of 'Make It Stick' opportunities before and after school. As parents and carers, your support is not only greatly appreciated, but also vital to encourage students to attend these sessions. Research suggests that if students start a 'little and often' approach to revision now, they are far more likely to have their knowledge 'stick' in their long-term memory and therefore succeed in their exams.

Following the link [here](#), you will find a plethora of resources to support KS4 revision including the 'Make It Stick' timetable, 'Revision Principles for Parents Guide', links to online learning platforms and the 'Aim High' schedule - a 'little and often' guided revision tool created by Heads of Department of each subject.

Finally, to support one of our core values of 'aspiration', we have secured an array of inspirational career talks for KS4 pupils to support with their long-term goals post-16. A timetable of events is provided below.

Thank you for your continued support during Year 11. We look forward to a successful second half-term.

Kind Regards,

Miss Powell, Raising Standards Lead for KS4

Upcoming Events:

Futures Friday: Careers Talks 3:15-4:15pm

- 17th November 2023 – What careers are available in Literature and the Arts?
- 24th November 2023 – What opportunities are there in STEM?
- 1st December 2023 – What does a route through the humanities look like?
- 8th December 2023 – What does the vocational route look like?

Pupils will be able to sign up to talks during R time on the week commencing 13th November 2023.

Key Dates/ Intervention sessions:

13th November: Assessments for English and Maths

10th January 2024 onwards: Mock Exams for all subjects

Intervention Sessions Reminder:

Week A: English, Maths and Science take priority.

Week B: All other subject sessions take priority.

Sessions are detailed here: [Make it Stick Session Timetable](#)

Intervention sessions focus on retrieving knowledge and securing exam technique. Intervention points are awarded for attendees which feed into the reward system. Aiming for excellence? Attend four sessions a week for bonus points.

Suggested Revision Activities

Try the Leitner method with flashcards. [Watch a video of the Leitner system in action here](#). For further support, please visit the link to here to our [KS4 Resources](#) page on the school website where you will find the 'Revision Principles for Parents Guide' and subject area pages with further resources.

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