



#TeamMoorside Parent Update 12.01.24

Dear Parent/Carer,

Continuing from our launch of 'Disruption Free Learning' last week, Mrs Nesfield, our Assistant Headteacher – Quality of Education, has delivered our assemblies and shared with students what they should expect in lesson and what is expected from them. Mrs Nesfield has explained that when arriving at the lesson, students should 'Enter with Excellence'. This means, arriving on time, coming in quietly and sensibly, having their planner, knowledge organiser and equipment on the desk, taking out any homework and completing the retrieval task in silence.

ENTER WITH EXCELLENCE

Arrive on time to your lessons

Come in sensibly and quietly

Planner, equipment, knowledge organiser out on desks

Take your Homework out

Complete the Retrieval Task on the board

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During the lesson there will then be the expectation to build upon their prior knowledge and learning and to complete independent work for part of the lesson. Following this, when the lesson ends, there will be the expectation for students to 'Exit with Excellence'. This includes packing away sensibly and quietly, checking for any rubbish in their area, ensuring their uniform is correct, standing behind their chair waiting to be dismissed and then leaving the lesson quietly and sensibly.

EXIT WITH EXCELLENCE

Pack away and pass your books to the end of the row

Check for any rubbish near your chair and place in the bin

Check your uniform is smart and correct

Stand behind your chair in silence

When dismissed, leave the lesson quietly and sensibly

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Around school we are seeing the impact of these messages already and students are really engaged and focused in their lessons. We know that consistency in our classroom routines is the key to success and the challenge is to maintain it, lesson in, lesson out, week in, week out, term in and term out. But we are confident that with our silent reminders, students will very quickly get into the habit of following these basic expectations.

When students do the basics right, they receive positive praise, and we all know what ClassCharts points and 'Golden' lessons bring - rewards. Our rewards pyramid has been reset and we are very much looking forward to rewarding those students that consistently do the right thing, at the right time, in the right place each week. What is always lovely to see is when students turn it around. Our policy gives students the opportunity to have a fresh start every lesson. So everyone can get it right. Next week during R Time, we will be having a focus on our Leadership Pathways Programme and encouraging students to identify elements that they are going to engage in to achieve their Bronze, Silver and Gold Leadership badges.

Finally, please do encourage your child to engage in WOW Wednesday, it is always lovely to see the amazing work they are producing.

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Headteacher

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Year 11 Mock Exams.

A huge 'SHOUT OUT' to our Year 11 students. They have completed their first week of Mock Exams and their attitude, commitment and conduct has been outstanding. We have been extremely impressed with them and we wish them lots of luck going into week 2. Well done Class of 2024!

Year 11 Mock Interviews – Monday 29th January 2024

As part of our ongoing Careers Programme in Year 11, we are inviting students to take part in a MOCK INTERVIEW with a visitor from the world of work. The mock interview day will take place on Monday, 29th of January. This is an INSET day for school, so students will be issued with an interview time so they can come into school, have their interview and then go home. Students should expect to be in school for this event around 40-50 minutes maximum. Visitors will range from sixth form / FE colleges, Universities, Apprenticeship providers and Employers. It is a superb opportunity for the students to gain an understanding of what a real interview may be like and practice their skills in preparation for them finishing Moorside High School this summer. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Farmer.

Extra-Curricular Activities

We are really pleased to be able to publish our wider curriculum opportunities that are available this term. [Please click here to access them](#). Mr Mills is also busy coordinating our Duke of Edinburgh Award programme. The Duke of Edinburgh expeditions will be taking place on the 24th & 25th June for Year 11, and 1st & 2nd of July for Year 10. More information will be circulated nearer the time. If there is a particular club or activity your child would like to do please do share this with us and we will look to accommodate this.

Save the Date - Year 9 Choices Evening

The evening will be taking place on Tuesday, 30th of January at 5:30pm and will comprise of a presentation in the Sports Hall where our choices process will be outlined along with the support that will be on offer for your child. Further information will be sent to Year 9 parents next week.

Year 9 Parents Evening

Bookings are now open for our Year 9 Parents' Evening on Thursday, 18th of January. If you require any support with this, please do contact your child's Head of Year – Miss Stephan.

Short Story Competition

It is extremely important to us that all our young peoples voices are heard. We want the short story competition to be about those stories and voices of the North of England that aren't always heard. We would like our students to focus on how young people relate to their environment, in whatever way they choose to express. Students can also complete a book review, and it would be great to see some reviews of northern writers' books. The competition is open to all years. Mrs Beach and Ms King will be running an afterschool club to support students creating the best entries they can ready for the Deadline - 22nd of March 2024.



GCSEPod

We are having a big push on GCSEPod again this half term for our KS4 students. GCSEPod will give you lots of hints, tips and advice on how best to use GCSEPod to support your child. All parent resources can be accessed via the following link: <https://www.gcsepod.com/parent-resources/>

If your child is struggling to log onto GCSEPod, please do encourage them to speak to their Head of Year.

Attendance Matters

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We know it is widely acknowledged that attendance has a direct impact upon achievement, success, and welfare. To encourage good punctuality and attendance, students will continue to be entered into a fortnightly prize draw for 100% attendance for that fortnight and bonus house points will be awarded for improved attendance/punctuality. As a reminder, the linked document gives some good advice around if your child is too ill for school. To access this, [please click here](#). We are extremely

grateful for your support in getting students into school, if you are struggling with this, please do contact your child's Head of Year to see how we can help.

SEND Survey for Children and Young People

Salford Parent Carer Forum are working alongside Salford Council and health services to hear the views of young people in relation to Special Educational Needs or Disabilities. Your responses will help us to look at what is working well and where we don't do so well. We would love to hear your thoughts through this survey.

This survey is open to Salford residents aged 0-25 who have Special Educational Needs or Disabilities.

<https://uk.surveymonkey.com/r/ZHKXCYG>

Moorside Matters Parent Facebook group.

If you would like to join, please head over to our Facebook page by [clicking here](#) or scanning the QR code. As is normal in most Facebook groups, you will be asked a few questions to verify your genuine connection with the school and agree to the group rules before being accepted.

We look forward to meeting you virtually through the Facebook group! Thank you for your support.



Key Dates:

- Thursday 18th January 2024 Year 9 Parents' Evening
- Tuesday 23rd January 2024 DTP Mop Up
- Monday 29th January 2024 INSET Day (no students in school apart from the Year 11 Mock Interviews)
- Tuesday 30th January 2024 Year 9 Choices Evening
- Thursday 15th February 2024 Year 11 Mock Results Day
- Friday 16th February 2024 Year 9 Choices Deadline
- Friday 16th February 2024 School closes at 14:55 for February Half term.

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

Silent Reminder

SILENT REMINDER - UNIFORM #THE MOORSIDE WAY

A school uniform comprises of a standard set of clothes that students wear when they attend school. A school uniform is a significant part of life at school because it plays an important role in promoting a sense of pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging within the student body. All of these factors positively contribute to students' overall wellbeing.

The benefits of having a school uniform...

- Research has shown that when all students are wearing the same outfit, classrooms are more disciplined, with lower noise levels and significantly better 'listening' from students.
- By wearing uniforms, students no longer have to waste time planning their outfits to wear to school. Wearing a school uniform means that students are focused on their education and not on their attire.
- Students who wear a school uniform do not have to feel insecure about their appearance and social status. Because all students are wearing the same clothes, there's no judgment.



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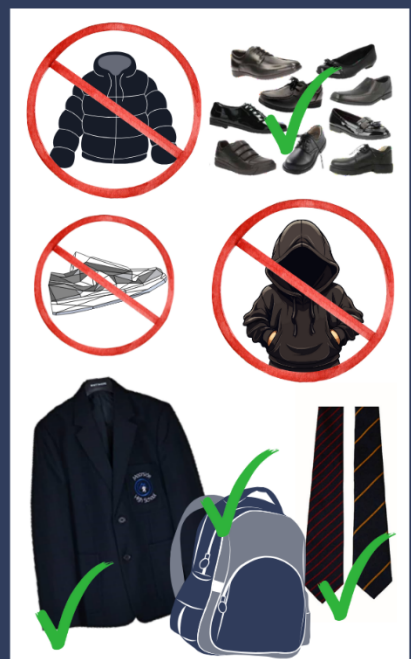
Key Uniform reminders

Coats & Hoodies - All outside garments should be removed when you enter the school building and either carried or kept in bags. Students should never be seen with their hoods up when on the school campus unless it is raining.

Shoes - Students should wear a school shoe, trainers are not permitted and are not part of the main school uniform.

Bags - Every student must bring a school bag to school. Bags should be large enough to carry your equipment, planners and knowledge organisers.

Ties and Blazers - The school blazer and tie are the most important part of the school uniform. They should be worn with pride at all times.



Word of the week

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VOLATILE

(ADJECTIVE)



VOLATILE

UNCOMFORTABLE | TENSE | STRAINED | UNEASY

Liable to change rapidly and unpredictably, especially for the worse.

"My younger brother has a volatile temper and isn't easy to live with."



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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

**“THIS MORNING, SHE
WAS WORRIED ABOUT
SCHOOL... BUT LOOK
AT HER NOW!”**



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Head to the Education Hub to find out more.



Please do talk to us if you have any concerns about your child’s attendance or if you need any support in getting them into school – we are here to help.

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