



#TeamMoorside Parent Update 22.03.24

Dear Parent/Carer,

There has been lots of excitement in the air this week, as we move closer to the Easter break and our Rewards Assemblies. This afternoon, Year 7 thoroughly enjoyed celebrating their achievements with lots of Easter Eggs being given out. We also saw performances from Year 7 students and a huge drum roll for the students on the random wheel of fortune. Awards were presented for demonstrating our CARE values of 'Consideration', 'Aspiration', 'Resilience' and 'Equality' and it was so lovely to see how proud they were receiving these rewards. Year 8 to Year 11 will have their Easter Rewards Assembly next Wednesday, and we very much look forward to celebrating with them.

The other excitement this week is the much-awaited departure of the staff and students going on the ski trip. We wish them all safe travels and lots of enjoyment on the slopes. This is the first ski trip for over four years, and it is great to see trips and visits being organised again. Later this year we have trips running to London, The Netherlands, and an opportunity for all Year 7 to visit Trafford Water Sports Centre in June, to complete activities including raft building, paddle boarding, orienteering and archery. We are very conscious that to support parents/carers, the more notice we can give about trips and visits, the better it is for our families. We are currently looking at creating a trips and visits calendar for the next academic year that will be published in the summer term. This will hopefully give you an overview of the main trips we will be running and help you to plan which ones your child would like to access. As a parent myself, I have been caught in the trap of agreeing to the first trip published, only to find out another one was running later in the year that would have been the preferred option, so I fully understand the need for us to be more organised in sharing information in a timely manner.

On a more sombre note, this week marked four years since all schools were closed to almost every student as part of the nationwide covid lockdown. We are yet to understand the full long-term effects of disrupted learning because of covid. What we already know is that school attendance has not returned to pre-covid levels, the attainment gap between different focus groups is as wide as it has been in over a decade and the number of young people involved in sport and the arts has declined. Many more students are reporting that they struggle with their mental wellbeing. Covid continues to cast a long shadow over our education system. The disruption to learning because of covid still plays a large part in our curriculum planning today and we are continuing to work hard to build up students' resilience and ensure they are in school every day. If you would like any support for your child with regards either mental health worries or just getting them up and into school each day, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year who are here to support you.

Finally, just a polite reminder that students finish at 2:55pm on Wednesday, 27th of March for the Easter Holidays and will return on Monday, 15th of April. There will be no parent update next Friday, however we will be sharing with you our Easter edition of 'Moorside News', our termly newspaper written and created by our students. I am very much looking forward to reading this as I am sure you are.

As always, if you have any concerns or thoughts you would like to share with me, please do not hesitate to contact me via MHSinfo@consilium-at.com

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

Mrs Ryles-Dean
Headteacher

Parent Forum Sessions – Thursday, 28th March.

- Homework and work outside the classroom – 09:30am-10:30am
- Rewards and Behaviour for Learning – 1:30pm-2:30pm

There are a few places left on the Parent Forum sessions. To book a place, please email MHSinfo@consilium-at.com. There will be 20 places available for each session on a first come, first served basis. We look forward to welcoming you to the sessions.

Year 7 & 8 Assessments.

The Year 7 & 8 assessments will be taking place straight after the Easter Break. Students have all now received a hard copy of the timetable. All form tutors have gone through this with them, so students understand the codes for each of the sessions. Students do not need to worry about these assessments, it is an opportunity for them to find out what they don't know, so subject teachers can support them with the gaps during the final term. If you have any worries about the assessments, please do contact us at MHSinfo@consilium-at.com . [Please click here](#) to access the Year 7 & 8 Assessment timetables and access the topic lists.

Parking when dropping off and picking up.

We have had several complaints from our local residents about the parking around school in the morning and at the end of the school day. The main one is that people are parking across driveways meaning residents are unable to leave their property or gain access to their driveway when returning home. Please can we politely ask that if you are dropping off or picking up, that you avoid blocking residents' driveways. Thank you for your support with this.

Lost Property

One last reminder, due to limited space, anything not collected from our lost property area by the Easter Holidays will be taken to the local charity shop. Please can you encourage your child to check the Hive if they have lost anything. We do aim to return any items found if they have a name in, so please do name items.

Biometrics

As you are aware, many schools use automated biometric recognition to provide services for children in school, namely the catering services. As we are updating our catering system, we need to retake students fingerprints before the new system can go live. To retake the biometric reading, we must gain consent from parents/carers before biometrics are used. To get the new system up and running quickly we would like to ask that you give consent for your child to have their fingerprints retaken via the link on the letter you have received. If you are unsure whether you have given permission, please contact our reception team. Thank you for your support with this. If you have any questions, please email MHSinfo@consilium-at.com

Year 11 English Practice – Inset Day Thursday 28th March.

We know it takes resilience to keep writing for 2hrs 30mins and good time management to plan how long to spend on each question and execute this. All Year 11 have been invited in to sit an additional English Literature Paper 2. We hope that this will give them another opportunity to practice their exam technique. After the exam we will be providing the students with a Pizza Party as a thank you for their commitment and dedication to their studies. More information about the timings for this has been sent out in a letter last week. All other students will not be in school on this day.

Year 11 additional online support

We are excited to announce the launch of our new Consilium Academies Revision Page! This online resource hub is designed to support our Year 11 students in Maths, English, Science, Art, and to support enhancing their study skills. There is a wide range of materials tailored to enrich learning and reinforce knowledge, our students can now access invaluable resources at their fingertips. A link to the page has been sent in an email to Year 11 parents, if you have not received this, then please do contact our Head of Year 11 to request a copy. Within this letter, it also highlights the Master Classes that are running for both Maths and English via Teams. We would really encourage your child to attend these as part of their preparation for the external exams.

Year 11 Easter School

School will be open for Year 11 students all over the Easter period apart from the weekends and Bank Holiday. Please [click here](#) to access the session that are running in the different subject areas. Students are also welcome to attend school to complete quiet independent study. The sessions are running, 9:00am - 12:00pm and 12:00pm - 3:00pm.

Key Dates:

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| • Wednesday 27 th March 2024 | Rewards Assemblies |
| • Thursday 28 th March 2024 | INSET Day (School closed to students) |
| • Monday 15 th April 2024 | School reopens at 08:25 following the Easter break. |
| • W/C Monday 15 th April 2024 | Year 7 & 8 Assessments |

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

Silent reminder

SILENT REMINDER - STAYING SAFE OVER EASTER

With the Easter holidays approaching, it is important that we remember about being socially responsible in our local community! - Social responsibility is the awareness and commitment to act ethically and contribute to the well-being of society and the environment.

How can you be Socially Responsible!

- Make sure you treat everyone, even strangers with respect
- Be safe when crossing the road, use the pedestrian crossing or subway
- Be a positive role model to younger friends or family members
- Help out at home! Even if you just tidy your room or wash up
- Do a good deed... put the bins out, visit an elderly neighbour, make dinner!
- If meeting friends, don't hang out in large groups, it can be intimidating
- Ride your bike/scooter safely and wear a helmet
- Keep the environment tidy, do not leave litter



Have a wonderful Easter, stay safe and do not eat too many Easter Eggs!!

Word of the week

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PERSEVERANCE

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PERSEVERANCE

ENDURANCE | TENACITY | DETERMINATION

Persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

"Even when the exams were hard, he never stopped trying and showed great perseverance."



A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

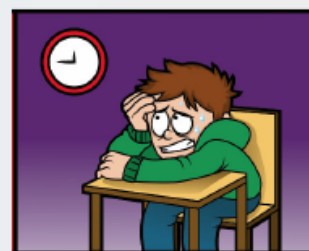
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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www.skipssafetynet.org

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.

Please note, this Facebook page is not run by the school, all content and discussions are posted by parents.





Class Charts is an online system which teachers use to track attendance, achievement, behaviour and homework throughout the school day.

We believe in working closely with parents and one key benefit of Class Charts is that it provides parents with daily attendance, behaviour and achievement reports so you are kept up to date in real-time on your child's performance in school.

You will be able to use Class Charts to keep track of:

- achievements
- attendance
- homework
- behaviour

If you have more than one child at the school you can use the same parent account to view achievement data for all your children.

Class Charts for parents can be accessed via the website, or iOS and Android apps. You should have received a Parent Code from school which can be used when you sign up.

If you've lost your login details, please get in contact via:

mhsclasscharts@consilium-at.com

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CONSIDERATION **A**SPIRATION **R**ESILIENCE **E**QUALITY



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