

#TEAM MOORSIDE PARENT UPDATE



Dear Parents/Carers

As we go into the final week of the half term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on what has been a fantastic seven weeks at Moorside. There has been so much to celebrate across our school community, and I am incredibly proud of all that our students and staff have achieved.

Our charity work is well underway, and we look forward to continuing this next half term by supporting Mission Christmas and the Salford Food Bank. It has been wonderful to welcome parents from Years 7, 10, and 11 into school, as well as our prospective families and students who are considering joining us in September 2026. Year 7 have made an excellent start to their Moorside journey, completing their baseline testing with great maturity, and we are delighted to see more students than ever taking part in extra-curricular activities.

In the atrium we currently have the great big book swap taking place. Students can bring a book and swap it for another one in the box. If you have any books at home that you would like to donate, please do drop them off at reception.

This half term, we have placed a strong focus on ensuring that students are ready for learning, being on time for lessons and staying focused by avoiding distractions. We are proud of how our students continue to demonstrate The Moorside Way, and we look forward to building on this positive momentum after the half term break.

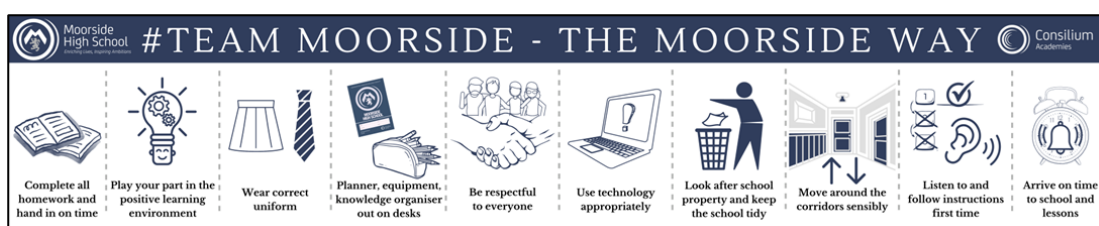
Polite reminder that school will close at 14:55 on Friday, 24th October and will reopen on Monday, 3rd November at 08:25. Students should return in full school uniform, ensuring they have sensible black school shoes, a school bag and a blazer. As the weather turns colder, coats may be worn to and from school; however, they should be of a sensible design and must be removed once inside the building. If you require any support with uniform, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year.

Last week, we enjoyed our Cake and Kindness event as part of Mental Health Awareness Week. It was wonderful to see so many students taking part and leaving thoughtful, positive messages for one another. This was such a heart-warming initiative that we plan to continue every half term; it truly brought smiles to everyone's faces.

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend. As always if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at MHInfo@consilium-at.com



Mrs H Ryles-Dean
Principal



KS4 Careers Fair



We were delighted to host a KS4 Careers Fair this week, which proved to be a hugely successful and inspiring event. The Sports Hall was full of energy as students engaged with a wide range of employers, colleges, training providers, and sixth form representatives. They had the opportunity to explore different career pathways, ask questions about qualifications and routes into various industries, and gather valuable resources to support their next steps. It was fantastic to see our students showing such enthusiasm, maturity, and curiosity about their futures. The feedback from both students and visitors was overwhelmingly positive, with many commenting on the insightful questions asked and the high level of engagement from our students. A big

thank you to all who contributed to making the event such a valuable experience for our students.

It was particularly encouraging to see students taking such an active interest in their futures, with many now following up by attending college open days and beginning the college application process, ahead of the upcoming deadline. To view a list of the upcoming college and sixth form open events, scan the QR code.





Bikes/Scooters on Campus

As a school, we actively encourage students and families to consider alternative modes of transport to help reduce motor vehicle congestion at the start and end of the school day. We are pleased to see so many of our students choosing to cycle or use scooters, and we provide dedicated storage areas around the campus for this purpose.

However, it has been brought to our attention that some adults and children are riding their bicycles and scooters across the school site. This poses a significant safety risk to others, particularly during busy times when many students and staff are walking around.

In partnership with Moorside Primary School, we kindly ask that all parents, carers, and students, both primary and high school, dismount from bicycles and scooters upon entering the school grounds. Our staff will be reminding anyone who forgets, and continued disregard for this rule may result in restrictions on bringing bicycles or scooters onto the site.

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Cycling is a fantastic way to travel but cyclists are vulnerable on roads. 85 cyclists lost their lives in road accidents in the UK in 2022. The vast majority of cyclist casualties are from incidents on roads with 30mph limits. Anyone hit by a car travelling at 30mph has a 20% chance of dying.

Staying safe when travelling by bike

- At school - Student must **never ride their bike on the school ground**. Please walk with your bike until you are off the school premises and clear of crowds.
- Safety equipment – Cyclists of all ages and levels of experience should wear a helmet. Wearing a well-fitted, good quality cycle helmet does help protect your brain in some types of crashes or falls.
- Bike maintenance – Check your bike before travelling make sure the tyres and the brakes are in good working order.
- Roads/junctions – 45% of cycle accidents occur at or near road junctions. Be extra vigilant and take your time when approaching junctions and roundabouts
- Riding at night – Its illegal to cycle at night without lights. You must have a white light at the front, a red light at the back, red reflectors at the back and amber reflectors on the pedals
- Cycle training – Cycle training can help give you the skills and confidence to cycle safely on the roads. Training covers topics from balance and control to planning independent journeys on busier roads.

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Police Assembly - Year 7

(Rescheduled for Monday 3rd November 2025)

At the beginning of each academic year, our Year 7 cohort are visited by our Police School Engagement Officer, PC Wright. The first of three visits will take place on Monday 3rd November during R-Time. This session aims to help students recognise the importance of responsible online behaviour and the potential consequences of harmful interactions on social media platforms. Through this delivery, we hope students will gain a clearer understanding of how to protect themselves online, treat others with respect, and avoid situations that could have serious repercussions.

The two follow-up sessions will address key issues that many young people may encounter as they grow more independent, including Sexting and Malicious Communications, Possession of Knives or Offensive Weapons and Stop and Search Procedures.

These sessions are tailored to equip our students with the knowledge and confidence to make informed decisions, both in and out of school.

Harvest Collection



As part of our annual Harvest celebrations, we are kindly asking for donations of cereal boxes to support local food banks and families in need. October is a time traditionally associated with Harvest- a season of giving and gratitude- and our school has always been proud to support this important cause. This year, the collection will also form part of a friendly house competition to see which house can collect the most cereal boxes. Additionally, we're excited to be taking part in the Cereal Domino Challenge next week, where collecting more cereal boxes means building a longer domino chain! We encourage students and families to bring in a box of cereal if they are able. All contributions will go directly to helping those in our local community. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Wear It Pink- Breast Cancer Awareness Day

With October recognised as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and to mark Wear It Pink day, our students took part in a school-wide event to help raise awareness and support this important cause. A stall was held at lunchtime, where students could make a donation in exchange for some Breast Cancer Awareness merchandise or a sweet treat, all in support of breast cancer charities. Alongside this, R time sessions included a short educational activity to help students understand the importance of early detection and raising awareness. It was fantastic to see the school community come together in such a positive and thoughtful way.

WOW Wednesday

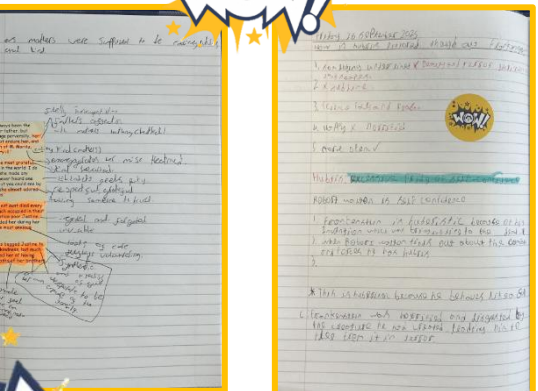
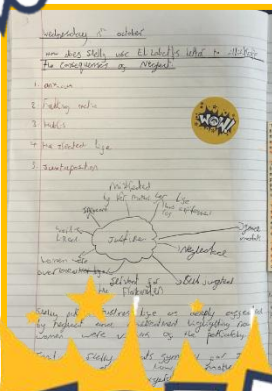
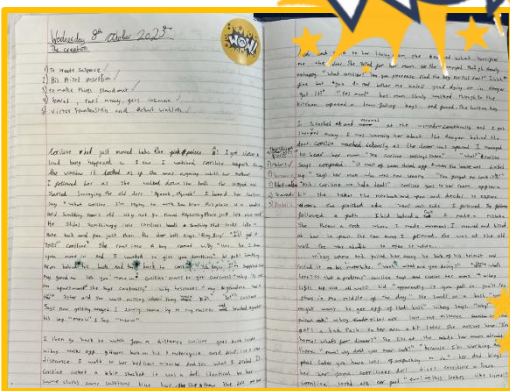
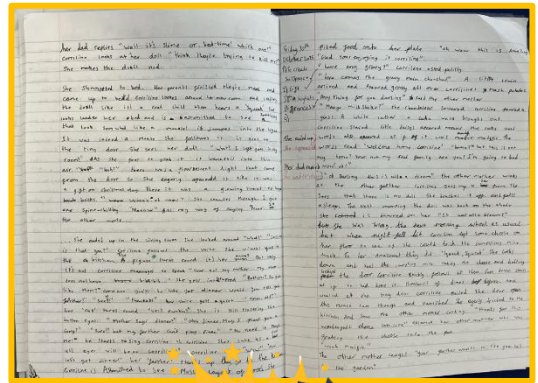
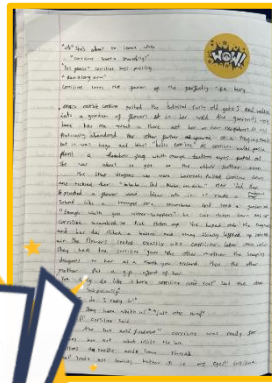
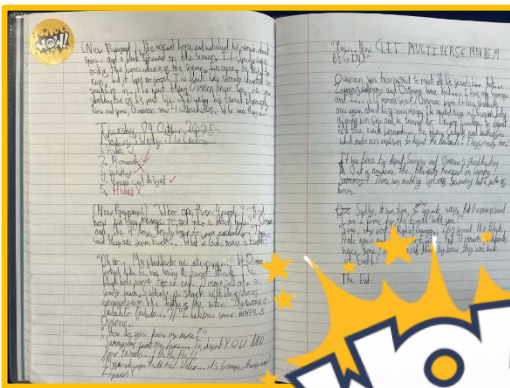
WOW Wednesday was a fantastic celebration of student achievement this week!



During lunch, Mr. Joynson hosted students in the Atrium who proudly showcased some incredible work, including brilliant extended writing pieces from English, some marvellous binary calculations from Computer Science and some fabulous work on ionic bonding in Science. We were particularly impressed with the diverse range of excellent work shared by Key Stage 3 students. Every participating student walked away with a well-deserved postcard and prize, as well as a coin to boost their House's efforts!

House Competition Heats Up!

The House competition is heading for a photo finish! Lowry has just nudged into the outright lead, but Joule and Egerton are right on their heels—Egerton had another massive week, dropping a significant amount of the total tokens and shrinking the gap dramatically! Pankhurst is still very much in the game. With a surprising twist just around the corner, it's all to play for as we head into the final week of the half-term!



YEAR 11 SATURDAY SCHOOL

MOTIVATIONAL

MATHS

MONTH

Year 11 students are invited into school between 09:30-12:30 to complete either:

- Intervention - Striving for 5
- Intervention - Focusing on that 4
- Intervention - Challenge High
- Paper Society - An opportunity to practice past Maths exam papers
- SPARX Club - Use the computers to work on Sparx

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This is the last Saturday for the Motivation Maths cycle.

Let's see if we can get record numbers!



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Safeguarding Update –


Crime Stoppers

Crimestoppers is a national organisation that allows anyone to report concerns about criminal or suspicious activity without giving their name or any personal information.

Whether you're worried about drug use, anti-social behaviour, weapons, theft, or other issues affecting your area, Crimestoppers provides a safe way to pass on information to the police — without fear of retaliation or being **identified**.

How Does It Work?

 You can contact Crimestoppers online - www.crimestoppers-uk.org

 Call their free, 24/7 number - 0800 555 111

The service is 100% anonymous - you don't have to give your name, and your call, IP address and location cannot be traced.

Crimestoppers is not the police

We are an independent charity working to help communities

Nobody will know you have helped us

Your computer and mobile phone IP addresses cannot be tracked or saved. It's completely anonymous

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WORD OF THE WEEK



ALIENATE

Antonyms:

Acceptance, tolerance

Synonyms:

Discriminate, estrange

Connected Words:

Alien, alienation, alienated, alienating

British Values link:

Individual liberty, Rule of law

Verb:

To alienate someone is to make them feel isolated and estranged.

Moorside focus:

Consideration



How do I say this in Spanish? Enajenar

Spanish phrase: It is unacceptable to alienate someone.

Es inaceptable alienar a alguien.

When he was not picked for the team, he felt alienated.

Year 11 Messages

Year 11 Mock Exams

The Year 11 Mock Exam window starts on Monday 3rd November 2025.

[Please click here for the Mock Exam Timetable.](#)

[Please click here to access the Year 11 Revision Lists.](#)



College Prospectuses

NEW college prospectuses are now available from Mr Farmer for:

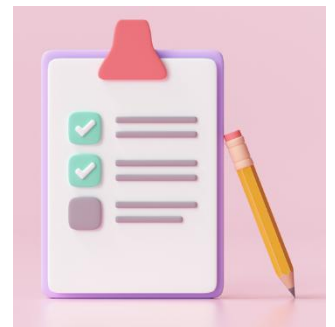
- **Salford City College** - (*City Skills, Eccles, Future Skills, Pendleton, Worsley*)
- **The Sixth Form Bolton**

Please collect from the careers office (Mon, Tue or Wed). Call in at break, lunch or after school if you would like a prospectus



Application Forms

- Please note – students can apply to college anytime from now until **15th December 2025** (Advised to do this **AFTER** attending college open events!)
- All application forms are now ONLINE except for Xaverian College (this is a paper application – see Mr Farmer for a copy of the Xaverian form)
- Online applications can be submitted via the college website.
- Students are advised to apply to at least 2 colleges – but you can apply to as many as you wish (no maximum)
- Mr Farmer will be holding application sessions after school starting after the half term break should any students need support.



Calling all potential medics.... Half term session

My Journey to Become a Doctor in the UK

Name of Presenter: Dr Luqman Ali

Date: Thursday 30th October 2025

Time: 1.30- 2.30pm

Dr Luqman Ali will provide an insight into his career journey on becoming a Doctor

Suitable for learners aged 14 years and above

[To sign up to attend this virtual event, please visit My Journey to Become a Doctor Tickets, Thu, Oct 30, 2025 at 1:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Or scan the QR Code



Key Dates:

- Wednesday 22nd October Year 7 -10 Attitude to Learning Grades to Parents
- Thursday 23rd October Year 7 Parents Evening
- Friday 24th October School Closes for Half Term 14:55
- Monday 3rd November School reopens for Half Term 2 – 08:25
- Monday 3rd November Year 11 Mock Exams start

Year 7 Parents' Evening

Our Year 7 Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday 23rd October and bookings are now open. Parents can book appointments via the Arbor App. From past experiences, parents/carers have shared feedback that the booking process is straightforward via Arbor, however please do not hesitate to contact Mr Williams if you require guidance with this.



Wider Curricular Activities Timetable

Please click [here](#) to access the Wider Curriculum Timetable for Years 7-10.

The Year 11 Intervention/Study Sessions Timetable can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

All term dates for the academic year, 26/27 can be found on the school website or by [clicking here](#)

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