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From the Head Teacher

Coming Up This week: Community art, Personal Development Day, Art Trip Next week: Rewards

It was fantastic to welcome all our incoming Year 6 students to the school this week with transition days on Monday and Wednesday. The students had a wonderful experience. It was also a time for some of our Year 10 leaders to shine as they supported the younger students in sessions and around the school. The level of care shown by our leaders was phenomenal.

We also welcomed new and existing families into the school on Wednesday evening for our transition evening. The evening is always an opportunity to reflect on the progress we are making as a school. Over the past year, we have made significant advancements with our IT provision, including new broadband infrastructure and 1:1 devices. Our results improved significantly, with our achievements surpassing national averages. Additionally, school attendance is above the national average, student voice feedback continues to improve, we achieved a Good Ofsted rating, and nearly all of our leavers secured their first-choice destination options.

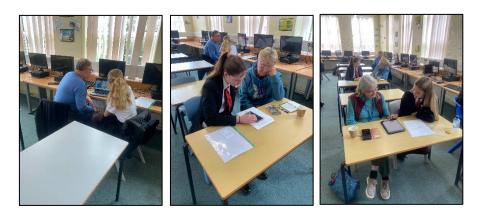
Our greatest asset remains our students. The kindness and caring attitude shown to the Year 6 students this week has been a real point of pride for us all.

Have a good and restful weekend.

Special Mentions

Silver Surfers

'Silver Surfers' is an opportunity for members of the community to learn about the world of technology! Our students at Moorside High School have provided 1-2-1 support to help people learn how to stay connected with loved ones, how to send and receive emails and how to navigate the online world with confidence.



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School News

Mental Health Tip:

If you need support with your mental health and feel like you can't reach out to anyone at school or home, there are still people you might want to reach out to. You can find out more on the **MIND website**.

Sports Day

A fantastic day was had by all last Friday as Moorside finally had the opportunity to celebrate Sports Day after a few years of extreme weather, Covid, and various other unforeseen circumstances. It was well worth the wait and the PE department really pulled it out of the bag! Students enjoyed a variety of activities on a carousel basis including: a rounders tournament, banner making and a quiz, inflatables, traditional athletics, and wacky athletics. Year 10 also participated in an impromptu disco, thanks to DJ Meakloaf. There was a staff tug-of-war competition



at lunch time and students could also buy an ice cream from the ice cream van. It was a spectacular day, and we cannot wait for next year!



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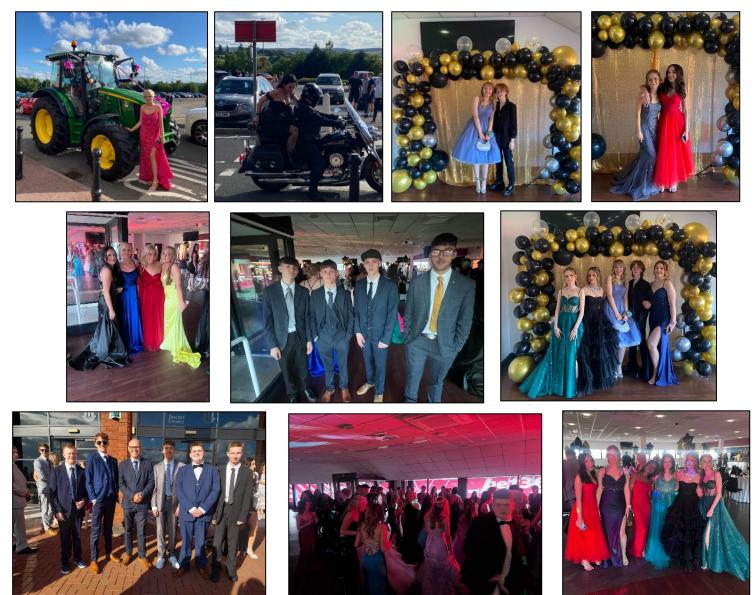
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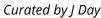
Last Thursday, our Year 11 students said goodbye to Moorside in style at their Prom. Students arrived at the Bet365 Stadium in style, where they enjoyed a meal and a disco.



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Engage

Keele Student Leadership Training

Students went to Keele University and had the opportunity to explore the qualities of effective leadership and how to apply them in everyday situations. They also learnt about strategies for effective communication and to engage in interactive discussions to develop leadership skills. Well done to Moorside who came 2nd in the team challenges against other school!



Year 6 Transition Days

Year 6 students from a variety of schools have joined us this week to get a taste of what life at Moorside is like in preparation for September. In English sessions they worked hard to analyse a poem by Sylvia Plath, and staff were impressed with their creative ideas and resilience. In Art, they enjoyed a craft workshop.



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House

Our schoolhouse system has certainly demonstrated the power of teamwork! On Friday, students collaborated during Sports Day, collectively earning thousands of house points. Moorcroft was closing in on Churchill and, with only a few days left, Moorcroft have taken the number one spot.

Rank	House	House Points
1 st	Churchill	144049
2 nd	Moorcroft	140797
3 rd	Bridgewater	135840
4 th	Doulton	129794
5 th	Wedgwood	108228

We will announce the House System Winners of 2024 next week. Students who meet the selection criteria will be invited to a bingo and cinema afternoon hosted by our Head of House, Miss Fower.

Rewards Information from Mr Goodwin

We have four different rewards happening over the next two weeks at Moorside High School. These rewards are made to ensure that the students that demonstrate our REACH values on a consistent basis are rewarded!

- 10th July House afternoon
- 12th July Rewards Day (Trips)
- 15th July Community Raffle Reward
- 19th July Rewards assemblies

House Afternoon 10th July:

Students that are invited to the house afternoon will go to form as usual, form tutors will be issued with a VIP wrist band. Students will then make their way down to the main hall for the house afternoon.

Rewards Day 12th July:

Students attending the Alton towers trip must be in school at 8.30am (meet in the canteen) and will return to school at approximately 5.30pm. Students can wear their own clothes and must bring money for food or a bring a packed lunch. Any student that has only paid for transport is responsible for their own ticket.

Students attending the Cinema and Bowling trip will need to be in school at 8.30am (meet in IT4) and will be back at school at approximately 3.30pm. Lunch is provided, and students can wear their own clothes.

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Students attending the Trafford Centre must be in school at 8.30am (meet in the sports hall) and will return to school at approximately 4.30pm. Students can wear their own clothes and must bring money for food or a bring a packed lunch.

No nuts should be brought to any of the trips due to students with nut allergies.

Students not attending a trip will be in school and must meet in the main hall at 8.45am. All students not attending the trip will take part in a fun day (details of the fun day will be sent out by Mr Goodwin) and will be able to wear non-school uniform. Lunch and break will be the same and the school day will finish at 3.25pm.

Community Raffle 15th July:

Students that are on the list will come straight to the main hall when the bell goes after lunch. Only students invited should attend, all other students will go straight to form.

Rewards Assemblies 19th July:

It will be a non-school uniform day for all students. Students will go to normal lessons. The school day will end at 1.15pm.

Assembly Running Order:

Year 7: 10.10 - 10.40 (Students go to lessons to register and then brought down to the hall in silence) Year 8: 10.40-11.10 (Students go to lessons register and then brought down to the hall in silence) *Break*

Year 9: 11.25- 11.55 (Students go to lessons register and then brought down to the hall in silence) Year 10: 11.55 - 12.25 (Students go to lessons register and then brought down to the hall in silence) *Lunch Time*

School day ends at 1.15pm - Students will leave site.

All non-school uniform should meet the non-school uniform standards as listed below.

We ask that students do not:

- wear piercings other than those that are accepted by the current academy uniform policy (this is for health and safety reasons).
- wear revealing clothing (I.E crop tops, short shorts).
- wear any clothing with images or slogans that may be deemed as offensive.

If your child does not follow these standards, you will be contacted, and your child may be put into isolation. We do not want this to happen, as it could spoil what is going to be a fantastic day.

As a school we cannot wait for all the fun activities to celebrate an amazing year at Moorside High School.

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