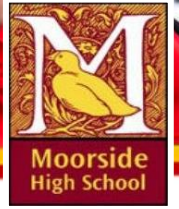




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From the Head Teacher

Our students have raised the bar again! The return to school was fantastic. The students' uniforms are exceptional, behaviour and engagement in lessons have been great, and the positive feeling around the school has given a real lift to the start of the term.

A huge welcome to all the year 7 students who have joined our school family and welcome back to all other year groups who have set the tone to show the year 7's what it means to be part of Moorside.

I met all students in assemblies on Wednesday where we focused on our REACH values of Respect; Engage; Achieve; Community; Hard Work.

The focus for this half term is Respect and students are already winning Respect lottery tickets by modelling that quality around the site. A prize draw at the end of the half term will give some lucky students a driving experience!

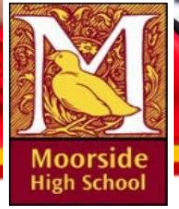
We remain focused on continuing to improve how we communicate with you, please see the updated guidance here [Communication – Moorside High School](#)

I am looking forward to our best year yet!

Have a good and restful weekend.



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Special Mentions

Welcome Back

Students have come back with an amazing attitude; it is lovely to see so many happy faces.

We would like to remind students and parents/carers of the following;

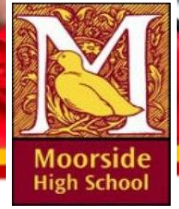
- Students need to walk on the left-hand side of the corridors.
- Students should be kind and respectful by holding doors open for others.
- All food should be eaten in the canteen.
- Students need to pick up litter and put it in the bins.
- All detentions will be set on Arbor so please look out for them and remind students.
- Students should move with pace and purpose to lesson within 5 minutes of the bell.
- Remind students to get as many respect raffle tickets as they can so they have a chance of winning a driving experience.
- Continue to look smart and follow the uniform policy.
- Ensure they are on the correct yard during social times.
- Be engaged and organised for all lessons.

Well done from Mr Goodwin

Parent Forum

We will host our first Parent Forum meeting of the year on Tuesday 24th September and we would be delighted to welcome new members to our group, particularly those with children in Year 7 who have just joined our community. *Our parent forum meets once per half term on a Tuesday evening (5-6pm). This is an opportunity for parents/carers to raise issues, give their views and be a part of the school consultation on policies.* All parents and carers are invited to come along. If you would be interested in joining our Parent Forum, please email sbuckley@mhs.potteries.ac.uk

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School News

Respect Raffle

Dates: 4th September until 25th October!

You will be given a Raffle ticket for the following;

- All students that demonstrate consistent levels of respect will receive a raffle ticket. The more raffle tickets you get the more chances you have of winning.
- Showing acts of kindness
- Respecting staff and each other
- Respecting the rules of the school
- Respecting the building
- Encourage acts of kindness in peer groups
- Follow instructions first time every time



When you receive a raffle ticket you need to write your name on the ticket and hand it into Student Reception. **Winners will get a driving experience at the end of term**

What is PSHE?

This week we launched our new weekly PSHE lessons with all year groups. PSHE, which stands for Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education is a subject that helps students to stay safe, healthy and be prepared for life and work. It aims to provide knowledge and skills for all to lead confident, independent lives.

We started with an introductory lesson to the subject looking at the 'ground rules' we will use to create a safe and respectful learning environment, the skills we will develop and the content we will learn about. Our thematic, spiral curriculum will cover topics such as Health, Careers and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) in an age-appropriate and engaging way for our students.

This model for PSHE is replacing our Personal Development/Challenge Days and will allow us to dedicate more time to ensuring students leave Moorside High School with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed as they move into life beyond education.



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If you would like to know more about the new curriculum you can visit the school website page which give full details of each year groups Learning Journey in PSHE. [PSHE – Moorside High School](#)

Y11 Work Experience

Our Year 11 Students will soon be going out on work experience. Students have taken part in an assembly today to remind them about the importance of this fantastic opportunity. The vast majority of students have now successfully sourced themselves a placement. If your student has not yet found an employer to take them for the week (w/c 14th October), please support them in doing so by asking family and friends if they can accommodate this; any experience of the world of work is a valuable one, even if it is not directly connected to a student's career aspiration. **Details of placements should be recorded on Unifrog by Friday 13th September.** If any parents are willing and able to offer work experience places to our students you can contact Mrs Lowe at school via telephone or email Jlowe@mhs.potteries.ac.uk to discuss this.

Engage

House System

We are currently recruiting for new positions within our school house system. We have received numerous applications, and the selection process is underway. The roles of House Captain, Vice Captains, and House Coordinators are essential for the success of our house system, and we are looking forward to seeing how the newly appointed team will contribute to our upcoming year of competitions and events.

To help our new Year 7 students get acquainted with our house system, Miss Roberts, our Head of House, will deliver an informative presentation during form time. This will ensure that all students understand the structure and schedule of our house system.

Our first house competition of the year will be hosted by Mr. Meakin, our music teacher. He will soon introduce the Moorside Big Music Quiz, an opportunity for students to test their musical knowledge and compete for top honours.



We are looking forward to a fantastic year filled with enthusiasm and house spirit!

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Achieve

Attendance Quiz

The current term's Attendance Quiz will be based upon the theme of Harry Potter, those students that have achieved 100% attendance between the dates of Wednesday 4th of September 2024 to the Friday the 18th of July 2025, have the opportunity to win a mystery surprise!

