

Weekly Bulletin



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9th June 2023

From the Head Teacher

Welcome back after the half-term break, it has been good to see everybody. As a result of the fabulous weather, the school fields have been used to their full potential this week with all PE lessons being outdoors.

A reminder that the Year 7 parents' evening has been moved to the 29th of June and hope to see as many of you as possible.

Moorside now has a very successful Parent Forum Group, where parents meet towards the end of each term to discuss relevant topics to move the school forward. If you are interested in attending, please email calcock@moorside.staffs.sch.uk. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th of June at 5:00pm.

I would also like to say 'well done' to all Year 8 students as there has been a significant improvement in lesson engagement.

Special Mentions

5 Year 10 pupils and Mr Qayyum attended the STEM Olympics Day at City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College where they competed against different schools across Staffordshire. The day was packed full of different challenging activities based around Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Computer Science. Pupils worked fantastically in a team using problem solving and computational thinking skills to achieve their objectives. Staff from the college commended the pupils' enthusiasm and effort on the day. Pupils also got the chance to have a tour of the college, discuss life after Moorside and got the chance to speak to ex-pupil Ed H who is currently studying at Cambridge University.



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School News

Exclusions

The Department for Education has recently published a guide for parents on school behaviour and exclusion. This guide outlines the role of parents and schools in maintaining good behaviour in schools. For further details please [click here to follow the link](#)



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Uniform

During the warmer weather, the uniform expectations are unchanged. Please will all students who are wearing skirts to school ensure that they are wearing tights, and not sock.

Blazers are still to be worn around school, unless students are informed otherwise by the Senior Leadership Team.

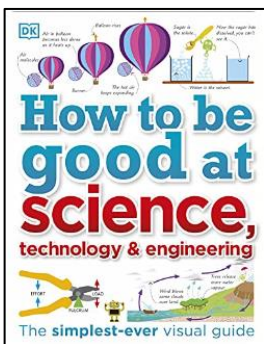


Book Corner

James S is reading "How to Be Good At Science". James would recommend this book to anyone, but especially those



interested in Science. He has particularly enjoyed the matter section, because it is the most interesting part. He has improved his Science knowledge by reading this book. He chose this book because it looked like a challenge, and he is glad he rose to that.



Scragg's Bus

With effect from 25th of July there will no longer be a 4:15pm bus from school to Weston Coyney. Please ensure that other provision is in place for your child to get home if they rely on this bus.



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Engage

Duke of Edinburgh

On the weekend of 20th-21st of May, we had our practice Duke of Edinburgh expedition weekend. Pupils walked in their teams from the drop off point to the campsite, they were out for about 6hrs in total! They then cooked and camped in their teams, before walking a different route back to the pick up point the second day. It was a hot weekend and pupils did incredibly well navigating and carrying their rucksacks, with just a few groups getting lost! Massive thanks to Miss McGeown and Lacho from Stoke 6th Form. Bring on the assessed Expedition 1st-2nd July.



Shakespeare

Year 8 students are producing a speech from the perspective of a character from one of Shakespeare's plays. These will be entered into the national competition by the Shakespeare Schools Foundation!



Athletics

The last 3 weeks of weather have been glorious and have finally enabled athletics to get underway properly in PE. To create a bit of fun competition for the last week of half term, the PE department ran a "mini Olympics" house competition in Key Stage 3 lessons. Students have taken part in 100m, 400/800m, relay, long jump, shot put and javelin. We then finished off with a traditional obstacle race! Year 7, 8, and 9 Students have really impressed PE staff this half term, well done!



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Achieve

Eurovision House Competition

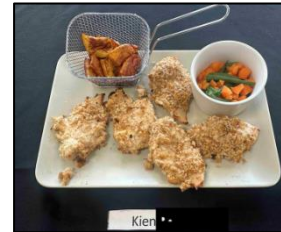
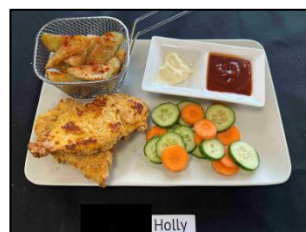
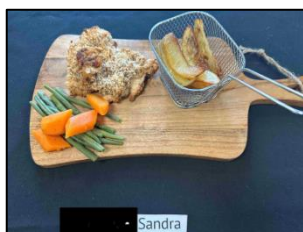
The votes have been counted and verified, and 3 students in Year 7 ranked 4 entries correctly. They were Halleday G, Reuben T and Connor J who have earned 10 House Points each. Ava H and Reegan S-M earned 7 House Points for predicting 3 correctly and 16 other Year 7 students ranked 2 correctly so have been assigned 5 House Points each.

Unfortunately, Germany ranked 26th out of 26 entries with the UK finishing only one place ahead. Germany totalled 18 points in the Grand Final which nobody guessed. However, Tianah M, Kaci- Mae T, Kai B, Tilly W, Kayla C, Annabel H, Isabelle J, Olivia-Amy L and Devon N all guessed that Sweden would be victorious again so have been assigned 4 House Points each. Well Done Year 7, the MFL department is really impressed with your participation.

FINAL RESULTS GRAND FINAL					
01	SWEDEN	583	14	ARMENIA	122
02	FINLAND	526	15	AUSTRIA	120
03	ISRAEL	362	16	FRANCE	104
04	ITALY	350	17	SPAIN	100
05	NORWAY	268	18	MOLDOVA	96
06	UKRAINE	243	19	POLAND	93
07	BELGIUM	182	20	SWITZERLAND	92
08	ESTONIA	168	21	SLOVENIA	78
09	AUSTRALIA	151	22	ALBANIA	76
10	CZECHIA	129	23	PORTUGAL	59
11	LITHUANIA	127	24	SERBIA	30
12	CYPRUS	126	25	UNITED KINGDOM	24
13	CROATIA	123	26	GERMANY	18

Hospitality and Catering

The Year 9 Hospitality and Catering group have been very busy since January learning a wide variety of food preparation and cooking skills using lots of new ingredients. They have made Frittatas, macaroni cheese with a roux sauce, cheese and onion pasties, Thai green chicken curry, cottage pie, Dutch apple cake, apple swans, scones, pizza, profiteroles, homemade meatballs and tomato sauce, Easter cakes, bread, burgers, carrot and coriander soup, meringues and then culminated in a chicken escalope, wedges and vegetables meal in an hour long lesson. Well done Year 9



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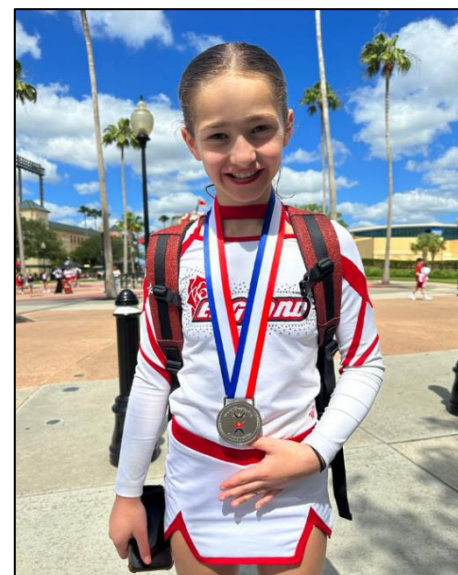
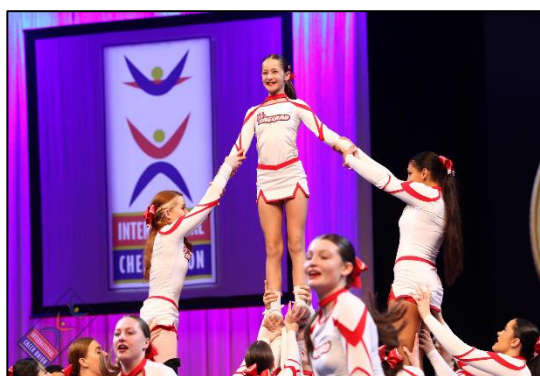


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Cheerleading

A huge congratulations to the adaptive abilities team in the world championship cheerleading competition in Florida. Well done!



House

It's fantastic to see that Doulton are the house team who are currently in the lead! House competitions can be a great way to foster teamwork, healthy competition, and school spirit and earn all important house points. While the current standings are exciting, it's important to remember that house points can change on an hourly basis. Will Doulton be beaten? Who will be this year's winning house?

RANK	HOUSE	POINTS
1	Doulton	2710
2	Bridgewater	2552
3	Moorcroft	1641
4	Churchill	1505
5	Wedgwood	1468

Duolingo

MFL news: Last half term's yr8 Duolingo competition results are in!

- 8A** Chloe McL, 2nd- Taya RP, 3rd- Phoebe E.
- 8B** 1st- Olivia E, 2nd- Isaac E W, 3rd- Isobel K.
- 8C** 1st- Lucy B, 2nd- Isabelle P, 3rd- Muaaz A.

Well done for your hard work, house points have been given and prizes are on the way! XPs have been reset and the race to win for this half term is open- good luck everyone.

