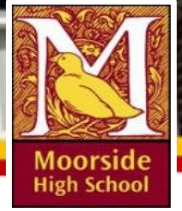


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From the Head Teacher

Coming Up

This week: World Religion Day, Leek and Buxton Vocational Options Assembly KS4

Next week: Holocaust Memorial Day, 6th form T Level Assembly

This term, our focus is on fostering a powerful sense of Community and improving our Culture. We have introduced '**Moorside Manners**' with clear guidelines for conduct and recognition. Students now carry Kindness Cards to acknowledge positive contributions in the classroom, corridor, and culture shift. Full Kindness Cards earn house points.

We are also now starting to see more students with their bronze house point badges for hitting 500 points, which is excellent to see.

Finally, a big well done to Year 11 who completed their Mock Results Day this week. This is a significant landmark in the calendar; students have met colleges with their mock results and set targets to ensure they achieve the grades they need at GCSE.

Special Mentions

Liam B in Year 11 has been undertaking community work at his church, exemplifying our value of Community. He has written a short account of his work, which we are immensely proud of. Here is what he had to say:



I volunteer at the Breathe New Life Church, and every community day at our church is a chance to make a positive impact. I take pride in being a volunteer there. From setting up the place to organizing activities, my time and effort is to ensure these



community days are enjoyable for everyone. Sometimes, I have stepped into the role of a lead at the kids' group, taking charge of coordinating various parts of the group. Whether it is overseeing the kids, helping with the games, or making sure all are safe in the activities, I enjoy making a positive impact. I could not do it without the team at the church, they have been a massive help in helping me realise my potential.

We are enormously proud of the work in the community that Liam is undertaking and look forward to hearing about future projects that he undertakes and the difference he is making.

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School News

Mental Health Tip:

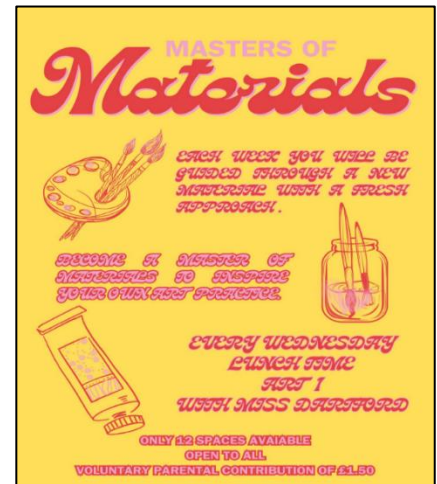
Try not to worry about things in the future that haven't happened, and may not happen. Try and let go of things that are out of your control. Try writing down your worries and verbalising them with someone you trust

British Army Apprenticeship

Success at School are hosting an online parent/guardian information event with the British Army. Advertised as the 'British Army - Apprenticeships and Scholarships', it takes place on Tuesday 16th January from 6.30pm until 7.30pm. To find out more and/or register, go to [the event page here](#).

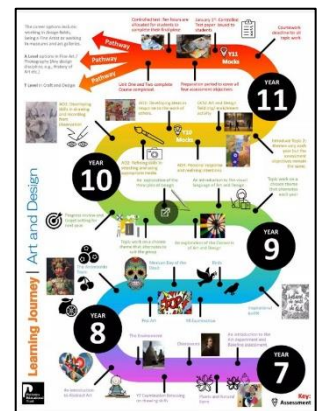
New Club

Join Miss Dartford on Wednesday lunchtime and learn how to be a master of materials and inspire your own artistic talents. Only 12 spaces available!



Learning Journey of the Week

This week's featured subject learning journey is Art & Design, outlining our students' exciting exploration of everything from plants and natural form to Pop art. You can see a more detailed Learning Journey for each year group here [on our website](#). Our full range of learning journeys are on our website [curriculum page](#).



House

With 7 months remaining in the academic year, staff members are actively planning various events. Our House System continues to foster diverse cross-curricular activities and competitions. We eagerly anticipate sharing the House system calendar with students. Currently, 108 students have earned a bronze award, acknowledging their outstanding performance in accumulating over 500 house points. These accomplished students will proudly highlight their achievement with a bronze pin badge on their blazers.

RANK	HOUSE	HOUSE POINTS
1 st	Churchill	77173
2 nd	Moorcroft	70880
3 rd	Doulton	66576
4 th	Bridgewater	66511
5 th	Wedgwood	55618

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Engage

Y8 Science

Year 8 are looking at the breathing system in science. Devon (who has an interest in a medical career) had his first experience at dissecting this week. He was greatly confident at handling the lungs.



Table Tennis Club

Table tennis club is proving popular at lunch times! Open every day at lunch time: Year 8/9/10 first half and Year 7/11 second half. Enter through the outside gym doors.



Sparx

Date: 8th January 2024

Sparx Maths

Name	Class
Thomas M	10K
Fletcher M	7K
Tawana M	7M
Pola G	7J
Isaac W	9I
Robyn C	7M
Evie C	11J
Faith A	7J
Grace S	11I
Emily G	11I

+10 HP
+7HP
+5HP

Year 7 - 11

Top 10 students for time spent on Sparx Independent Learning closing gaps.

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Sparx Maths

Student	Class
Tawana M	7M
Mila C	7M
Lillie-Mai P	7M
Olivia P	7H
Martha G	7I

Year 7

Student	Class
Annabel H	8I
Daniel M	8J
Lily-May C	8I
Victoria L	8K
Evie B	8H

Year 8

Student	Class
Phoebe E	9J
Isabelle P	9J
Lucy B	9K
Oliver D	9L
Thomas H	9L

Year 9

Student	Class
Thomas M	10K
Taylor T	10I
Linkin H	10K
Emma P	10I
Daniel C	10H

Year 10

Student	Class
Shannon M	11M
Chloe C	11H
Sophia C	11I
Felix M	11J
Jacob W	11K

Year 11

Best Class: 7M Mr Hammonds

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Achieve

Swimming

A huge well done to our Year 9/10/11 swimming teams who came in 1st place in the district gala at Biddulph Valley leisure centre this week! There were six schools in attendance, and out of 28 races we had eleven 1st place finishes, thirteen 2nd place finishes and four 3rd place finishes. Just outstanding! Well done to Oliver, Summer, Maddie, Lily J, Lily R, Erin, Tom, Will, Fin and Noah.

Fundraising

One of our parents, Rachel Clews, is extremely excited to have gained a place to run the London Marathon in April 2024! She has chosen to raise money for Caudwell Children's Charity - a very worthy, local charity which supports children with special educational needs and disabilities. She would like to share her **Just Giving** page with you. Any donation, however small, is very much appreciated.

Christmas Jumper Day

On the last day of term, we held our annual Christmas jumper day for Save the Children and as a community we raised £526.72. We also celebrated our Christmas Jumper design competition winners and had some fabulous festive outfits modelled during the day. Thank you for the fantastic participation and all the donations for this worthy cause.

