From the Head Teacher

School of Rock came to town this week and was a phenomenal success. We were able to show the depth of talent we have in the building, from those performing on the stage, the band, lighting and sound and backstage support. It was lovely to see a packed house on both nights, we also performed the show to all the year 6 students that attended the transition days.

The students that took part clearly demonstrated our **REACH** values. Showing **Resilience** throughout the week to perform 4 consecutive days (alongside the weeks of back-to-back rehearsals), every element of the show was **Engaging** (the quality of the performance was breath-taking), they **Achieved** a level of excellence beyond expectation, it brought us all together as a Community and the Hard Work paid off (this includes those serving during the break and running the raffle through the show)

Plans are already starting for next year's performance – watch this space!

Special Mentions

School of Rock

Moorside was rocking and rolling on Monday and Tuesday night, when members of the public were invited to watch a very impressive performance of School of Rock! There were so many students involved in pulling this off, from the actors to the backstage crew to the sound and light specialists and the front of house crew.

Mr Meakin and Mr Milward have upheld the high expectations that were demonstrated with our previous productions (Little Shop of Horrors and Grease) and came back this time even better. Mrs Stones, Mrs Walker, and the caretaking team did a fantastic job of designing and creating the set. The students involved were a credit to the school and demonstrated every aspect of our REACH values. Students were rewarded for their hard work on Thursday night with a Pizza Party.



School News

Prom

Year 11 prom last Thursday was a tremendous success! Everyone had a great night to celebrate finishing Year 11! Good luck to all our wonderful students in the future!



Engage

Prefects and Head Students

Are you a Year 10 student who embodies the core values of respect, engage, achieve, community and hard work? Moorside High School is looking to recruit dedicated Year 10 students to join next year's Year 11 Prefect team and appoint 3 Head Students. Students who are already prefects can apply to be a Head Student. Head Students will have the opportunity to help lead our team of prefects, represent the student body, create a supportive and inclusive environment, support fellow students, and drive positive change around the school. If you are interested in embracing this opportunity and contribute to the growth and success of our school community, submit a letter of interest outlining why you will be a great prefect to splant@moorside.staffs.sch.uk and denglish@moorside.staffs.sch.uk. You may also submit a paper letter to reception. The deadline for applications is Monday, 17th July 2023.

Ashes

Year 7 and 8 boys have been learning about cricket this half term in PE. After learning some of the key skills, Mr Faulkner and Mr Montifroy set up a friendly "Ashes" style competition between Australia and England. The engagement from



the boys was amazing - see the video on our social media. England won, having notched 40 runs! Well done for your efforts this half term boys!

Field Trip

35 Year 10 students attended a 3-day residential to Birmingham and The Holderness Coastline. Whilst in Birmingham they collected their Human Geography primary data collection on regeneration. They visited Brindley Place, Library of Birmingham, Grand Central and Edgbaston Street. They then travelled up to Scarborough (stopping off at Nando's on the way) to collect physical fieldwork at

Hornsea and Flamborough Head. The students had a wonderful time and Ms McGeown, Mrs Carter and Mr Woolliscroft were all exceptionally proud of the students' behaviour and attitude on the trip.







Achieve

Curated by J Day

Duolingo

The results of the Year 8 Duolingo Challenge are in and there is a clear winner: 8C. This is particularly down to the efforts of Lucy B (2,239XP), Muaaz A (2,128XP), Eden L (1,937XP) Isabelle P (1,473XP) whose individual totals show an incredible effort. Sehr gut gemacht! Students should be using the Duolingo app to consolidate their learning in the classroom.

8A vs 8B vs 8C Duolingo Challenge

1) **8C** 10,424 XP

2)8A 4,510 XP

3)**8B** 1,864 XP

Duke of Edinburgh

Last weekend was the final and assessed DofE weekend, which took place around Leek and The Roaches.

Groups were out unaccompanied for 6 hours a day navigating, hiking, cooking, and completing their projects. Groups then camped overnight on Saturday and did the whole thing in reverse on Sunday!

All pupils worked incredibly well as teams, working together brilliantly, and arriving at all checkpoints on time!

Staff are incredibly proud of their dedication and progresscongratulations all! Thank you to parents and carers for your support and thank you to Miss Harrison, Miss McGeown, Miss Erskine, Miss Johnson, and Mr Kralev (from Stoke 6th Form) for supervising.



