From the Head Teacher

It was with great pride that I presented our school to prospective parents at this week's open evening. The event highlighted our progress as a school over the last two years and was a chance to celebrate our successes. A huge thank you to all the students who supported the evening, they were fantastic! Our move to mixed attainment, devices scheme, and reduction of class sizes to a maximum of 23 in year 7 was seen as a real strength of the school. Our staff, as always, shone through with really engaging activities and delivered a highly successful evening. Looking forward to next week can I remind all year 7 parents of our devices evening on Thursday 26th . There will be two sessions at 5pm and 6pm. This is an opportunity to see how we run our digital curriculum and how best to support your children with devices over the coming year, We also have the parent forum from 17:00 – 18:00 on Tuesday 24th. All parents are welcome to attend. The parent forum is your opportunity for face-to-face conversations and opportunities for feedback on how we are working together

Special Mentions

Moorside Steps into the exciting future of AI as industry leaders 'Inversity', select us as the first high school for this exclusive opportunity!

We are thrilled to announce that on Thursday 10th October, a group of our computing students will participate in an exciting, hands-on workshop exploring how AI software can enhance Formula One race strategy decisions. Our school has been exclusively selected by Inversity, a leading organisation that works with A-level students on AI-powered challenges designed to develop practical business skills. We are honoured to be the very first high school to engage in these high-profile, real-world challenges, offering our

students a unique glimpse into the future of computer science and its transformative potential.



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.

Independent Learning Club

RAISE are running an Independent Learning club on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 3:10-4:10, where they able to complete any homework

Football/Netball Club!

We have had amazing numbers over the past 2 weeks at netball and football practices! It's great to see so many new faces, keep up the great work everyone! - The PE department





Training Teacher's

As part of the PET TeachFirst programme the school hosted 7 trainee teachers for 2 days last week. They completed training on creating a positive learning environment, the use of Assessment for Learning, had interviews with a Teaching Assistant and pastoral support member of staff and conducted lesson drops ins of Moorside teaching staff. They saw a wide spectrum of the curriculum from Maths to PE, English, Psychology and Languages. They were incredibly positive about seeing the theory of their course being applied in practise, that all the lessons were calm and all pupils were engaged in challenging tasks A particular highlight was a student voice with a Year 10 pupil. The trainees felt this was the most valuable and influential part of their time and the pupil was amazingly honest and analytical in the advice he gave them. He was an absolute credit to the school!

Engage

Curated by M Turley

English House Competition

•To enter the Student Library Competition, you need to design artwork for the new school library.

This half-term's REACH value is: RESPECT

- •The artwork should focus on promoting reading for pleasure or can be a design based on one of your favourite Books
- •The artwork can be submitted in various forms, including paintings, illustrations or digital designs.
- •Winning designs are displayed prominently in the library, and top participants will receive certificates and house points. •The deadline is 11th October 2024! Please give your submissions to Miss English in Hut 5.

Achieve

House System

This week, all students attended a presentation on the House system, delivered by their form tutors. The presentation was packed with information and showcased the upcoming house activities and competitions planned for the rest of the year. We take pride in offering a diverse range of activities and competitions across all subjects. Our House system is designed to be inclusive, with events that span the entire curriculum, ensuring every student can participate. Below is a list of the

SEPT 2024	OCT 2024	NOV 2024	DEC 2024
MFL (JWO) European Day of Languages Quiz 23 rd – 27 th MUSIC (AM) The Big Music Quiz 20 th ENGLISH (DE) Library Competition 25 th	PE (LAG) Football Showdown 21st- 25th MFL (JWO) Oktoberfest 21st-25th IT (AQ) Typing Challenge 10th – 14th ENGLISH (MH)	ART (LS) Xmas Card Competition Opens 11 th RE (CHU) Spirited Art Competition 12 th SCIENCE (MJ/MK) Pipette Challenge 11 th - 15 th ENGLISH (MP) Public Speaking Competition	ART (LS) Xmas Card Competition Closes 6 th



RANK	HOUSE	HOUSE POINTS
1	Wedgwood	12729
2	Churchill	12342
3	Doulton	12342
4	Bridgewater	12074
5	Moorcroft	12073

Parking outside School

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Unfortunately, last Friday, there was an incident outside school in which one of our pupils was involved in a road traffic collision.

With this in mind, and to assist us in keeping all of our pupils safe, could we kindly request your cooperation in ensuring safer and more considerate parking practices during school drop-off and pick-up times.

We understand that these are busy times of the day, and everyone is in a rush to ensure their children arrive and leave school safely. However, we have noticed increasing concerns regarding parking outside school.

To help make our school environment safer and more efficient for everyone, we kindly ask you to:

Follow traffic and parking regulations around the school area.

Be patient and courteous to other parents, pupils, and staff during busy times.

By working together, we can ensure a safer environment for our children and the entire school community.

Thank you.