

# Weekly Bulletin



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## From the Head Teacher

As we come to the end of the term, I wanted to reflect on what we have already achieved this academic year.

Students have visited Oxford, Birmingham University, the Space Centre at Leicester, The Regent Theatre, and the German Christmas Markets in Manchester. Next term we have students leaving is for a week-long visit to the French Alps.

Students have performed at fund raiser events in our community, at the Mitchell Arts Centre in Stoke, competed at national dance competitions, and had the chance to perform with Jeff Rich (formerly of Status Quo).

Our sports teams have won competitions in football, handball, cross country, and table tennis.

Student leaders have visited our Primary feeder schools to work on transition and our sports leaders led events both at other schools and here at Moorside.

On an individual level, we have students that are competing nationally and internationally at Handball, Cheerleading, Dog Agility, Motocross, Swimming, Cross Country, Dragster Racing, Football, and much, much more.

There is a lot to celebrate. Please have a good and restful Christmas break, we are excited about the coming term and the opportunities it will bring.

## Special Mentions

### Diploma Achievement

A huge congratulations to Daniel C, who has taken it upon himself to complete two diplomas in his spare time. He has been completing them online and has achieved a qualification in Ecology and a separate qualification in Conservation.

This has required a lot of hard work and dedication, as well as impressive time management to juggle his schoolwork, extra-curricular and completing the required work to gain the diplomas.



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## School News

### Book Corner



Simona L in Year 7 has been reading *"The Lucky Toad"*. It is about a toad who was eating flies, and accidentally turns into a human. He then goes on all sorts of adventures until eventually finding a magic fly to turn himself back into a toad. Simona liked the book because it was a fun story and interesting – if a little bit odd.

She would recommend the book to people who like toads, a good laugh, and an easy read.

### Mrs H's Intervention

Mrs Hodgkinson would like to extend a big well done to all the Year 7 students who attended her reading intervention during form-time this term. They have made great progress, which is very pleasing to see. Mrs Hodgkinson is impressed with their fabulous effort. Keep on reading!

She is also impressed with Alfie S and Ashton S - for a positive attitude and impeccable conduct shown whilst attending their intervention. Well done!

## Werrington Primary

This week, Student Leaders attended their first visit to Werrington Primary. They designed and delivered a workshop for Year 5 students, introducing them to the life and ethos of Moorside High School. Miss English was incredibly impressed with their hard work and dedication in creating these activities and their ability to deliver the session to a group of students.

A huge congratulations to Isobel K, Millie M, Daniel C, James C, Imogen L and Freya T. Well done for being outstanding representatives of Moorside High School!



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## Engage

### Tea and Toast

Year 11 mock exams are in full-swing and our students have risen to the challenge. They are displaying a fantastic attitude towards their revision and are taking full advantage of the extra support that we are offering them. Before school each morning, we are providing tea and toast and last-minute advice and support for the exams being sat on that day.

These sessions have been well attended and the students have worked hard and appreciated the chance of some last-minute tips and advice. It has been especially nice to see students support each other, and Alex K's impromptu lessons for the rest of the year group have been fantastic to see. Good luck for your final exams!



### Masterclasses

For the last half term some of our Year 11 students have been attending master classes at Stoke 6th form College on Tuesday evenings. They are studying a mixture of Maths, English and Science with the aims of achieving grade 7+ at GCSE and introducing them to A-levels, and the teaching staff at the college.

Mrs Stokes has been accompanying them and has been extremely impressed with their positive attitude and their level of understanding of the complex topics they have encountered. The master classes continue until February half term and the students will also get to sample some of the other subjects that the College have to offer.



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## Sports

### Moorside World Cup

On Wednesday, the final match in the Moorside World Cup between Portugal and France kicked off. Both Year 8 teams stood proudly and sang their national anthems. Mr Montifroy did an especially good rendition of the French national anthem. Joe C (who was playing for Portugal) said that the composure and dedication of his team is what saw them claim victory, even if the match was interrupted by the fire alarm! This caused a halt in play and the extra time was played on Thursday lunchtime.

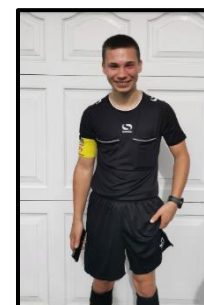
The winning team was composed of Joe C, Vinny B, Oliver H, Elliott P, Noah W and Mason R. They came away with medals, sweets, memories, and the knowledge that they have raised money for a worthy cause.



### Referee Qualification

Well done to Tom F in Year 11, who recently qualified as a football referee.

He is taking control of youth games on Saturdays and Sundays in local leagues! He is finding it helps his people skills, communication, and confidence, as well as earning some extra cash.



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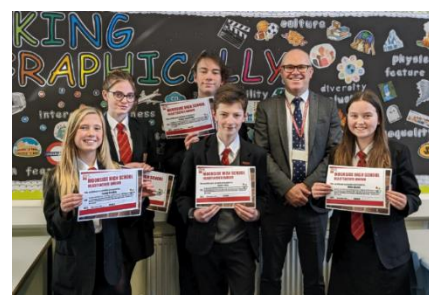
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## Achieve

### Headteacher Awards

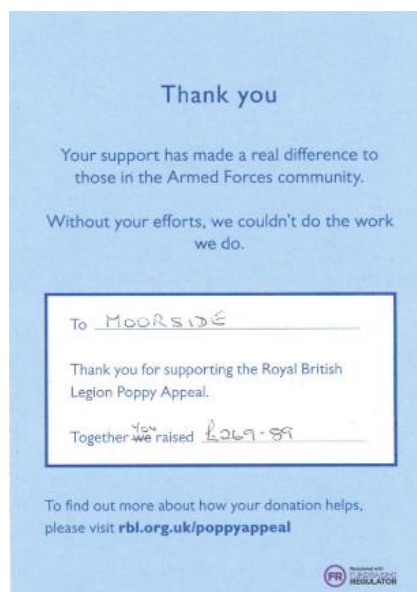
Well done to the following students who have received a headteacher award this week. Keep up the excellent work.

Millie M	Creating, delivering, and leading a workshop to Year 5 students at Werrington Primary
Isobel K	
James C	
Daniel C	
Imogen L	
Freya T	
Evie J	



### Poppy Appeal

Well done to all students and staff who bought a poppy. Together we raised just under **£270**.



### Attendance

At Moorside High School, we recognise that attendance and punctuality are vital components to the success of our students. Good attendance raises achievement; it helps to establish good patterns of behaviour and provides a routine in preparation for life beyond school.

Our standard for good attendance is **96%**, which enables your child to reach their full potential. This means your child needs to attend school for at least 183 out of 190 days.

School starts at 8.45 am. Please ensure your child is in school complete with their equipment so they are ready to learn.