

# Weekly Bulletin

*This half-term's REACH value is: Achieve*

25 October 2024



## From the Head Teacher



As we reach the end of the term, I am incredibly proud of the achievements all of our students have made, particularly Year 11 in their work experience placements. This year, many of our students had the opportunity to engage with local businesses and organisations, gaining invaluable skills and insights that will serve them well in their future endeavours. The positive feedback we received from employers speaks volumes about our students' professionalism and dedication. I believe these experiences have not only enhanced their learning but also boosted their confidence as they prepare for the next steps in their educational and career journeys. Thank you to everyone who supported our work experience programme and contributed to this success.

I would like to congratulate everyone's participation in the Reach Raffle this half term and also take this opportunity to thank all the pupils and staff for their hard work and support and wish you all a safe and enjoyable half term.



## Medication - Reminder



Just a reminder, please do not allow your child to have medication upon their person in school i.e. in their blazers/bags etc.

If your child has prescribed medication, then this should be given in at Main Reception and complete a medication form which states what the medication is for, dosage and time(s) to be taken.

We do not hold paracetamol in school. If your child is unwell, then a phone call will be made for parents to bring in paracetamol. A box of your own paracetamol can be stored in Main Reception but must be accompanied by a medication form (as above).

Please ensure if your child suffers with asthma and/or has an EpiPen, your child has one in their bag at all times and we have a spare in Main Reception.

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## Follow us



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## Engage

Always engage and be positive.



## Well done - Year 7!

WOW! - what a start Year 7 have made to their life at Moorside!!!

I have been amazed by the attitude shown by the cohort, both inside and outside of the classroom. The students have shown great ability in adapting to High School and have really started to get to grips with the digital tasks set throughout the first half term.

As of Thursday 24th October, 97, Year 7 students still had 100% attendance, 105 students have yet to receive a single negative behaviour and 37 students have achieved more than 300 house points. I am sure that you will agree that this is all fantastic and something that should be celebrated.

I hope that all Year 7 students have a restful break, that helps them to prepare for the next half term in our lead up to Christmas - A very happy Head of Year, Mr Phillips



## House System



On Monday, we hosted a celebration for the students who have recently taken up positions on the House Leadership team, recognising their success and accomplishments. During the event, we presented certificates to commemorate their new roles. The students were also treated to an assortment of cakes and cookies, making the occasion even more special.

### Current House Events:

ART - Xmas Card Competition Opens 11th  
RE - Spirited Art Competition 12th  
SCIENCE - Pipette Challenge 11th-15th  
ENGLISH - Public Speaking Competition 27th

### HOUSE POINT LEADER BOARD

No.	House	Points
1	Wedgwood	39810
2	Churchill	38795
3	Doulton	38466
4	Bridgewater	37903
5	Moorcroft	37472

Again, Wedgwood maintains 1st position this week. Our incredible students have collectively now earned over 168,000 house points demonstrating their engagement and achievements.

## Achieve

Aspire to be the best and be prepared to take risks along the way.



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## Thank you!

Thank you so much for this half term, it has been amazing to see so many students being rewarded and walking around the school with a smile of there faces.

Congratulations to all of the winners of the Respect Raffle we hope you enjoyed your driving experience.

We will be launching our summer rewards next term and also more rewards leading into Christmas for those students with the most house points.

Just some reminder for when we return after half term:

- Please check the uniform policy on the website and ensure all students are following it, so they don't risk being isolated when they return. We appreciate your support with this.
- Ensure that all students have the correct equipment and are prepared for lessons, this will help the pace of lesson and therefore, the pace of learning for each student.
- Reminder that as the weather starts to get colder hoodies are not allowed and will be confiscated. Please refer to the policy.
- Lines in hairs, fake eyelashes, nose studs are not allowed so please ensure they are removed in time for school.
- Students should not be on site before 8am, this is so we can ensure students are safe and monitored. They should go to the canteen at this point no other area of the building.
- If you have any concerns about any of this or you need any support please contact me. We appreciate us all working together on this to get the best outcomes for all students.

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## Parent Survey

Don't forget to complete the Parent/Carer View Questionnaire for Autumn 2024 and enter our prize draw for a £25 voucher kindly donated by Mantra Indian Restaurant ([mantraindianrestaurant.co.uk](http://mantraindianrestaurant.co.uk))

**The Questionnaire and competition will close at 9am on Wednesday 30th October.**

You can access the questionnaire by clicking the Mantra logo:

Mantra Indian is an Indian Restaurant in Stoke-on-Trent.  
Download their **FREE** Mobile Ordering App for easy on the go ordering.



## Stoke City Tournament & Match Day



This week 8, Year 7 students attended a fantastic event held by Stoke City Community Trust. The evening started with a presentation on the topic of racism and discrimination in football along some advice from two of Stoke City U21s players.

The students then completed some workshops on these areas working in small teams. This included creating an anti-racism poster along with finding out definitions for key words involved with equality.

Afterwards, the boys then played in a football tournament against the other schools at the event. The boys played extremely well in the tournament and finished runners up to the winners on goal difference by 1 goal.

Finally the boys then had the opportunity to sit together to go and watch the Stoke game against Bristol City. Which unlike many in the stadium they thoroughly enjoyed!

A fantastic night and another opportunity provided for the students.

Mr Faulkner & Mr Montifroy



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## Year 10 Parent Event



First of all thank you to those who attended the revision event last night. It was brilliant to see so many parents and carers invested in their child's education.

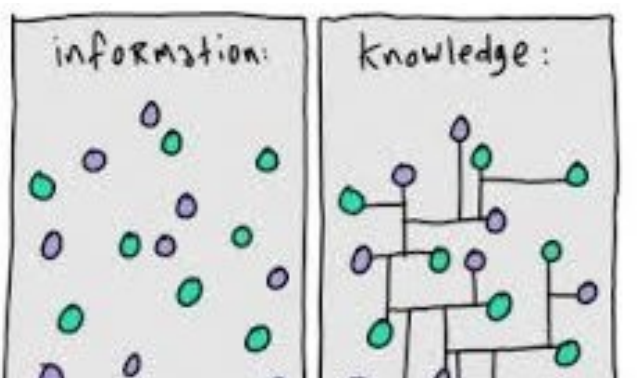
We hope you found our talk informative and the importance of exams which provide further opportunities in life. I have listed several key tips below on how to revise.

### Key points from our Parent Event -

- 1%'s in school matter and allow more opportunities in the future.
- Timetable and structure your time
- Find the revision technique that suits you.
- Flash cards are okay but can we join the dots afterwards.

71% attendance by students and parents which is fantastic!

Any questions don't hesitate to email [Mfaulkner@mhs.potteries.ac.uk](mailto:Mfaulkner@mhs.potteries.ac.uk)



### 1% in School

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Attendance                            | Being on time – Retrieval | Having a positive mindset in lesson |
| Correct equipment                     | Asking a probing question | Completing homework                 |
| Engage and Achieve - Extra Curricular | REVISION!                 |                                     |

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## Attendance Champion



The Attendance Team would like to congratulate Connor for being our **Attendance Champion** this half term.

Connor has played a key role in helping two students reintegrate into school and engage in their lessons.

He has also been instrumental in supporting the use of the AV1 Robot Provision in classes.

Additionally, Connor has maintained an outstanding attendance record to present.

Well done and enjoy your £10 gift voucher!

Mrs Kinder, Mrs Ball & Mr Gething



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## Hallo 👁️ -Attendance Winners!!

A spine-chillingly huge congratulations to 8LAG for winning the Hallo-Attendance competition! 🎃 🧛



You've haunted the competition with your dedication, teamwork, and ghostly determination, leaving no doubt who the real spirits of success are!

Rising above the eerie challenges, you've shown that with commitment and unity, no task is too frightful to conquer. This victory is well-deserved, and has sent shivers down the spines of the competition!

Keep up the monstrous effort and continue to unleash your spooky brilliance! 🧛 🕸️ 🧛

Well done, 8LAG—your triumph is the stuff of legends! ❤️ 🎉



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## Football News

The under 13 girls and under 14 boys travelled to Stafford on Tuesday for the first round of the County Cup.



The girls got off to a good start, testing the goal keeper multiple times however luck wasn't on our side. We gave away a penalty in the 12th minute and Sir Graham Balfour put themselves 1-0 up. The girls battled on and managed to bring the game back to a 1-1 draw by half time.

After an inspirational team talk by Leah (y11), the girls put on a fighting spirit in the second half and came out comfortable 4-1 winners.

Well done to goal scorers Eva, Ebony and Halia!

The boys started slowly in their game and by half time found themselves 3-0 down. With a steep hill to climb, the boys did not let their heads drop and came out with a bang in the second half getting a goal back early. It wasn't to be for the boys and we couldn't find the equalisers. Losing 3-1 to Sir Graham Balfour. Well done to our goal scorer Jayden!





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## House Competition - Oktoberfest

We celebrated our Moorside Oktoberfest, thank you to all pupils who came to join us at lunchtime. The level of enthusiasm was wonderful! We had some Oktoberfest facts, snacks, drinks, music, singing, selfies, and waiter/ess try-outs.

Unfortunately, we didn't have anyone able to carry the 21 litres that the waiters/waitresses do, however well done to Jude B for coming the closest!



Thank you to Mr Meakin and the school choir for providing some musical accompaniments. Thank you to the house team for helping set up.



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## Attendance Competitions

Moorside High School is currently in the **Top 13%** for **attendance** nationwide, with **Year 11 in the top 5%** and **Year 10 in the top 8%**. Other year groups are within the top 35%. Let's keep up the momentum and work together to boost attendance even higher!



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**Tell Us!**

**We want to hear from you!**

**Your Feedback Matters!**

To improve our programs and support your child better, please take a moment to share your thoughts on:

- What's working well at our school?
- Areas where we could improve.
- Suggestions for workshops or resources you'd like to see.

You can provide your feedback by emailing us:

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