



MOULTON SCHOOL & SCIENCE COLLEGE



Headteacher's message

Despite being a relatively short term we have packed a great deal into the last few weeks. Year 11 have been completing mock examinations and have met with senior staff to discuss exam preparation and next steps. It was wonderful to celebrate World Book Day again, with staff dressing up and lots of Literacy activities for students to enjoy. Our sports teams have been in action around the county and some of our Year 11 students have just returned from a fantastic revision weekend at Whitemoor Lakes. We have a busy summer term coming up so I hope that we can all enjoy some spring sunshine over Easter and wish you and your family a relaxing break.

A reminder; If anything is worrying you please email: worrybox@moultonschool.co.uk. Text/ring the school anti-bullying number 07520 631333. There is also a NSPCC hotline on 0800 800 5000.



Revision trip

We took 24 of our Year 11 students to Whitemoor Lakes in Staffordshire for an action-packed revision weekend. This four-day trip included revision sessions on Maths, English and Science interspersed with a variety of activities, including climbing, kayaking and raft building. Everyone rose to the challenge and it was a truly memorable weekend for all plus fantastic preparation for the GCSE exams. Well done Year 11.



Deputy Headteacher - Pastoral



We are delighted to welcome Jo Daniels as Deputy Headteacher with responsibility for Pastoral systems. She has been a teacher since 1994 and has worked in a variety of comprehensive schools in Bedfordshire, Essex and Northants. Jo has enjoyed a range of responsibilities including Quality of Education and Pastoral and welfare roles, taking on her first leadership position in 2006.

Jo said, "I love the fact that I get to work with the most amazing people every day and I am continually inspired by both the students and the staff. I am determined to provide the best possible learning environment for our young people, constantly striving to ensure all students have a safe and nurturing environment in which to learn, are well prepared for their adult lives, and can achieve their very best. I am looking forward to getting to know the whole school community and am grateful for the very warm welcome that I have already received."

World Book Day

Winnie the Pooh and Tigger, Wally and a variety of Roald Dahl characters made an appearance this year as staff dressed up for World Book Day.

Activities for the pupils included a World Book day and 'guess the teacher from the book' quizzes in form time, reading assemblies and a book orienteering around school at break and lunchtime and all members of year 7 received a book to take home.



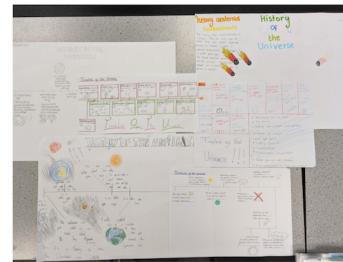
H & SC Revision Trip

Our Year 11 Health and Social Care students enjoyed participating at the Revision Grade Booster Event in Birmingham. This was a full day of engaged learning with workshops designed and delivered by experienced presenters.

From taking part in revision activities to winning prizes against other schools, it was an unforgettable day! The students have shown real dedication to their studies and Miss Godfrey couldn't be prouder! Well done everyone!!

Science week

This year's theme for British Science Week was "Time" and students in Year 7 and 8 spent their science lessons during British Science Week carrying out activities centred around the idea of time. Students modelled bioaccumulation through food chains by taking on the roles of different animals, collecting 'food tokens' from around the class and passing these tokens on when they were eaten. This enabled them to see how chemicals can build up in food chains over time and be passed on through food. We also spoke about how this is currently happening with microplastics in humans! Students also conducted research and made display work based on the history of the Universe, stretching all the way back to the Big Bang all the way up to the modern day! And students also looked at how we measure time, and how this has changed over the years. Students were then challenged with making a timer that would last for 30 seconds - and then evaluating why we don't rely on these methods today!



The Royal Society

On the 6th March our Sixth Form students presented their work on an on-going project at the Royal Society in London. Students are monitoring the conditions of the balancing pond on the school site, which is home to a population of great crested newts. To examine the biological matter in the pond water, lasers are being used to examine cells in a technique called flow cytometry. The day consisted of talks from Professor Saiful Islam and the archives team, as well as presentation workshops. The students then spent the afternoon presenting their work to the other schools attending and to scientists, guests and Fellows of the Royal Society. It is a huge honour to be invited to the Royal Society and our students were such a credit to the school that we have even been invited to present again at the summer exhibition in July 2024! A huge well done.



Don't forget that you can find up-to-date news on the school's facebook page



The Bridge



The Bridge officially opened at the start of the Spring Term when we welcomed our first students! Our purpose-built provision enables young people with Autism to experience the quality education that Moulton School has to offer within a nurturing environment adapted to their needs. Our students have adapted phenomenally well to their new school; making new friends and learning 'The Moulton Way'.

Successes over this first term include:

- Developing narrative writing skills in English.
- Exploring refraction and reflection of light during science, and extracting DNA from peas, plus making our own DNA structures from sweets
- Our Year 10 student embarking upon his GCSE option courses in conjunction with main school – what a talented artist he is!
- Our first parent coffee morning where students catered for the event.

Students in our two classes have accrued an impressive 1000 Aspire points over this term, demonstrating their dedication to their studies and application of our 'ASPIRE' ethos.

Sports News

A successful term with lots of great results. Congratulations to our girls U13 Indoor cricket county champions and our U13 boys, U15 girls and U15 boys who all finished in 3rd place. Our Year 8 dodgeball team are also now County champions after beating Bishop Stopford 4-3 in the final. Our trampoline team finished second in the Northants Trampoline competition, the first time we have entered.

Our rugby teams continue to be successful; our U12 played their first game for the school and our U13s and U14s got through to the County finals. Our U14s won their semi-final by over 50 points and are rewarded by getting to play the final at Franklin's Gardens. Our Year 7/8 girls took part in the first ever touch rugby event and won this tournament.

Our indoor athletics teams took part in the county finals - Year 8 boys winning bronze and the girls winning silver. Our U12/13 girls football team took part in the district tournament and came second.

Finally, our netballers play each week and well done to Year 11 who got through to the final of the County Plate. Well done to all.



Happy Easter and Eid Mubarak to all our students. Please remember that there is a pre-loved uniform sale in the Lecture Hall on Wednesday 10th April, 10am - 2.30pm.