

**Friday 7th May 2021**

**Academy Housekeeping Reminders**

- On the rare occasion where unforeseen circumstances make a pupil late to school, the process please is for them to sign in at student reception before they go to their POD
- If you have a meeting with a member of staff, please follow the protocol and sign in at our front reception desk and wait for them to come and meet you. In the event of the meeting being very early in the morning or later in the afternoon, (our front reception is staffed between 8.00am and 4.15pm) please ring the bell on the reception desk and wait for a member of staff to arrive.

Thank you for your support.

**Covid Tests Update**

Thank you to all who are continuing to take the Lateral Flow Tests twice weekly. Please remember that the home kit tests are only to be used by students who are displaying *no symptoms*. When experiencing symptoms of high temperature, cough or change to taste or smell, the test to take it the PCR at an official testing centre.

**DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)**

Pupils in Year 7 to Year 10 are continuing to enjoy their daily DEAR sessions. This means that every pupil in these year groups are enjoying twenty minutes of silent reading per day. Please make sure that your child brings a DEAR book to school in their bag every day.

**Forthcoming Dates for your Diary**

**Monday 10th May:** final day of Year 11 assessments 2.

**Monday 10th to Friday 14th May:** Year 12 assessment 3.

**Tuesday 11th May:** Year 10 parents' evening.

**Monday 17th to Friday 21st May:** Year 13 assessment 2

**Monday 24th to Friday 28th May:** Year 11 assessment 3.

**Friday 28th May:** School closes for the May half term holiday (one week).

**Tuesday 8th June:** Year 8 parents' evening.

**Year 10 Parents' Evening Tuesday 11th May 2021**

The Year 10 Parents' Evening will take on Tuesday 11th May from 4.00pm to 7.00pm. In view of Covid restrictions, the event will take place online, however, this evening remains an invaluable opportunity for you to virtually meet your child's teachers to discuss progress, engagement and areas for development. The academy has introduced an easy to use online appointment booking system which allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers; appointments are limited to five minutes each. Appointments can be made from 9.00am on Tuesday 4th May and will close at midday on Tuesday 11th May.

To login, you will need your details to match with the information which we hold on our school records, such as your full name, email address and your child's full name and date of birth. If your login fails, please email the data team to ensure that we hold the correct details: [data@montsaye.northants.sch.uk](mailto:data@montsaye.northants.sch.uk). Please visit: [School Cloud](#) to book your appointments. Please click: [Parent Guide](#) which will take you to a short guide on how to book appointments. Alternatively, please click: [Video Guide](#) which will take you to a video guide on how to book.

Mrs Gatiss, our SENCO, will also be available should you wish to book an individual appointment with her. Should you wish to book an appointment with Miss Malins, the Year 10 progress leader, please email her directly ([alins@montsaye.northants.sch.uk](mailto:alins@montsaye.northants.sch.uk)) and we will be able to either book a slot during the evening, or arrange an alternative time for a longer discussion, if necessary.

### Young Minds: Parents' Helpline

Are you worried about a child or a young person? Young Minds, the UK's leading mental health charity for young people, offer a useful webchat system, email service and a parent helpline.

They can direct you to advice, information and services that may be able to help. Follow this link: [Young Minds](#) which will take you through to their website and a whole host of useful information.

### Action for Happiness: Meaningful May 2021

**Meaningful May 2021**

| SATURDAY  | SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| 1 Make a list of what matters most to you and why             | 2 Do something kind for someone you really care about               | 3 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do               | 4 Take a step towards an important goal, however small        | 5 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together               | 6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful            | 7 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why          |
| 8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today        | 9 Notice the beauty in nature, even if you're stuck indoors         | 10 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today       | 11 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times | 12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you | 13 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder | 14 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture |
| 15 Do something to contribute to your local community         | 16 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger | 17 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better | 18 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful            | 19 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about                     | 20 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful            | 21 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable  |
| 22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about     | 23 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost          | 24 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of               | 25 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today  | 26 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why                     | 27 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful       | 28 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others     |
| 29 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight | 30 Today do something to care for the natural world                 | 31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future                   |   |   |  |   |

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