

Friday 17th December 2021

Please note that this will be the final Parent Bulletin for this term

The staff of Montsaye Academy would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful new year.

Christmas Sparkle

On Wednesday 22nd December, we are having a 'Christmas Sparkle' day when students can wear clothes with a Christmas theme. Whilst not being school uniform, clothing must be appropriate attire, taking into account that practical lessons will continue as normal; no short skirts, crop tops or fancy dress.

Face Coverings

Please make sure that your child brings a mask/face covering to school and that you talk to them about the importance of wearing them in all communal areas of the building and on the school buses (unless they are exempt). Thank you for your support in this matter.

Year 11 Sixth Form Application Information

Week commencing 3rd January 2022: Parent Open Mornings

Week Commencing 17th January 2022: Sixth Form Taster Sessions

Week Commencing 31st January 2022: Live student-led Q&A

Friday 11th February 2022: Deadline for Montsaye Sixth Form Application

Virtual Meetings for Parents

Whilst remote meetings were only introduced following guidance to avoid social interaction, they have actually been extremely well received. Parents tell us that not having to rush to the school for parent evenings after their day is preferable and that it is also useful that it enables both parents to join from different locations. The auto schedules ensures that the meetings are timely and run to plan. For more information see the [school cloud guidance](#) on our website.

Canteens at Montsaye Academy

Our catering team, ABM, are pleased to offer a selection of festive treats from both of our canteens:

Monday 20th	Christmas Krispies	70p
Tuesday 21st	Christmas Ciabatta (Turkey & Cranberry with Mixed Salad Leaves)	£1.80
Wednesday 22nd	Mince Pies	£0.70

Canteens @ Montsaye



Try the delicious vegetarian options in the canteen...

It's good for you AND the planet

Restaurant and Café @ Montsaye



Don't miss roast dinner on a Wednesday!

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 22nd December: School closes at 3.00pm for the Christmas holiday.

Monday 3rd January 2022: Bank Holiday.

Tuesday 4th January: Staff Training Day (school closed to all students).

Wednesday 5th January: School re-opens at 8.30am for the new term. Further details to follow.

Thursday 13th January: Year 10 Parents' Evening. Further details to follow.

ERA Point Up-Date: Week Ending Friday 10th December 2021

Over **53,000 ERA** moments so far this academic year.

It is so close between Year 8 and Year 9: students are aspiring towards greatness

Year 8: 10,932 ERA Points

Year 9: 10,948 Points

Holiday Activities and Food

Funded school holiday clubs return to Northamptonshire this winter

This programme is available for eligible children across every local authority in England and aims to reduce the pressure some families experience during school holidays. The holiday clubs are free of charge for young people who qualify for free school meals and those considered to be vulnerable.

Please see our [website](#) for more information.

Inclement Weather

As we now enter winter, should the school need to communicate home regarding inclement weather, notification will be made via text message and on our website. Please make sure that we have your correct contact details.

Uniform and Equipment Expectations

Please make sure that your child has the correct uniform and equipment ready for the return to school. Full details of uniform can be found on our website here: [Uniform and Equipment](#).

Uniform Expectations

Compulsory items from school supplier: www.karlshornclothing.co.uk

Compulsory items to be worn

From length skirt to be worn with black tights

The rest of the uniform

Compulsory items to be worn

Long trousers or skirt (school uniform) to be worn with the school bag

Acceptable School Shoes
All black leather or leather-like shoes only

Non Acceptable School Shoes
Canvas, trainers, pumps, vans

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Equipment expectations

Make sure you are prepared for all lessons with the correct equipment including black/blue pen, green pen, pencil, eraser and ruler.

Using a pencil case and school bag will significantly improve the life expectancy of your equipment.

- Black/blue pen
- Green pen
- Pencil (and eraser)
- Ruler
- DEAR book

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Safeguarding

Safeguarding our students is always our priority. If you have any safeguarding concerns, regarding any of our children, please contact us in confidence via concern@montsaye.northants.sch.uk. Alternatively, you can contact our Student Welfare Officers (Mrs Long, Mrs King and Mrs Walters-Morgan) or click [here](#) for more information.

Social Media

Much of our news and successes are celebrated on social media. Make sure that you like and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:

Instagram: [montsayeacademyofficial](#)

Twitter feeds: [@Montsaye](#), [@MontsayeEng](#), [@montsayereading](#),
[@montsayepe](#) and [@MontsayeSF](#)

Facebook page: [Montsaye Academy](#)

