



# Friday 21st April 2023

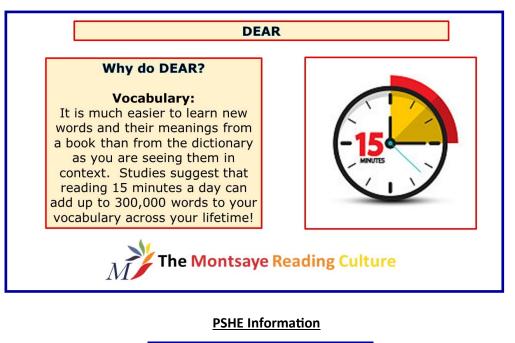
## Year 11 After School Revision Sessions

Our comprehensive after school revision programme continues, with sessions taking place each week. Led by subject specialists, these take place in the departmental area. Students should be attending all these sessions weekly to ensure that they are giving themselves the best chance to be successful.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3.00pm to 4.00pm	English	Maths	Science	History or Geography	

# **DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)**

Our DEAR programme continues this term, with every student in the academy reading once a day for 15 minutes. Please make sure that your child carries a reading book with them at all times; if they require a reading book and are unsure about what they would like to read, please ask them to visit our LRC where our librarian Mrs Helliwell, will be able to guide them.





Over the course of the next few weeks, we will be looking at the academy values of Excellence, Resilience and Aspiration, also touching on British Values and diversity.

During form time, students will watch a short film, 'Born to Race' focusing on two young, aspiring racing drivers, Ruben and Lewis. Starting with go-karts, their goal is Formula 1.

Form groups will have an opportunity to talk about the content of the film, looking at goals and the focus and sacrifices often needed to reach our goals.



## Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

#### Week Commencing Monday 24th April:

- Year 11 GCSE speaking tests this week.
- Montsaye Dance Company festival week.

Thursday 4th May: Year 9 Options Evening. Further information to follow in due course. Monday 8th May:

- Academy closed for Bank Holiday.
- GCSE Art and Photography exams this week.

Wednesday 10th May: Year 9 immunisations HPV2.

Friday 12th May: Year 13 Leavers' Event 12.30pm to 3.00pm.

### Montsaye Community Sports Centre Needs Your Help...JustGiving

Montsaye Community Sports Centre has a community use footfall in excess of 120,000 annually. In 2005, Lottery funding enabled a complete redevelopment of the facilities including the All-Weather Pitch (AWP) which has been enjoyed by the community for almost 20 years.

Unfortunately, the Astro turf is now at the end of its lifespan and is in need of replacement. To compound the issue, when originally laid in 2005, the Astro turf carpet was laid on a base that is no longer fit for purpose and in effect, the whole facility needs to be redeveloped. The total cost of the project is now in the region of £650,000 - £700,000.

The Sports Centre has an incredible opportunity to get the whole facility redeveloped with the support of the Football Foundation and Northants Football Association. However, they need to raise another £45,000 as soon as they can to fill the shortfall so that support can be confirmed.

The facilities are still in use and are currently safe to use, but the Sports Centre are no longer able to host Football Association accredited matches due to the significant undulations that have developed in the base beneath the carpet. The carpet itself has had multiple repair works over the years and the fibres are flattened and no longer provide the support to users that they should; it is beyond its intended shelf life.

The redevelopment of the entire facility would provide guaranteed facilities and use for the next 25 years, as the new base will be an engineered version and not subject to damage caused by use. Modern carpets have extended lifespans and the technology has moved on significantly, providing better support and experience for users. The redevelopment will also redesign the pitch layout to enable more users to access the space at the same time. Also included in the works is the removal of the old floodlights and being replaced with LED versions, which would significantly reduce the operational costs for the Centre.

The Sports Centre are very concerned that if they do not find the shortfall in funding needed to progress these works soon, they may lose the support from the Football Foundation and Football Association, which would in all likelihood mean, that in the very near future they lose the facility all together.

We hope that you are able to support the Sports Centre; any amount that you can give would help, please follow the link below which will take you to a Just Giving page:: <u>Montsaye Community Sports Centre</u>.

#### **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 <u>concern@montsaye.northants.sch.uk</u>. Alternatively, you can contact one of our Student Welfare Officers: Mrs Walters-Morgan (Year 7), Mrs King (Year 8), Mrs Summers (Year 10) or Mrs Long (Year 11) or click <u>here</u> for more information.

# Social Media

Much of our news and successes are celebrated on social media. Make sure that you are involved by liking and following us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:

Facebook page: Montsaye Academy Twitter feeds: @Montsaye, @montsayepe and @MontsayeSF Instagram: montsayeacademyofficial





