

Friday 9th February 2024

Attendance Statistics

Whole school attendance target: **95%**
 Whole school attendance this year to-date: **86.8%**
 Whole school attendance last week: **84.6%**

Year group with highest attendance last week: Congratulations to Year 9 with **86.6%**
 Students with 100% attendance, zero late marks and zero behaviour points will receive a Golden Ticket each week

Temporary Change to School Day Structure

As we enter our trial exam period, we are temporarily changing the structure of the school day to accommodate 1.00pm exam starts. From Monday 12th February to Friday 8th March inclusive, our school day will run as follows:

Activity	Time
DEAR	8.40 – 8.50
1	8.50 – 9.49
2	9.49 – 10.48
Break	10.48 – 11.03
3	11.08 – 12.07
Tutor time in form room	12.07 – 12.27
Lunch	12.27 – 12.57
4	1.02 – 2.01
5	2.01 – 3.00

Academy Phone Lines

Please be aware that academy telephone lines are open between the hours of 8.00am and 4.00pm. Any message left after 4.00pm will be dealt with the following day.

Illness Reporting Procedure

When reporting that your child is ill, please only use our main telephone number: 01536 418844 and select option 1 or email attendance@montsaye.pfschools.org.uk. Please do not email your child's form tutor, the admin team or any other department with this information, as we cannot guarantee that the attendance team will see your message in time which may result in you receiving a truancy call.

Illness and Absence Protocol

Please follow this link: [How long should you keep your child off school](#). which will take you to a document on the GOV.UK website. This document can also be found in the Pathfinder Schools Attendance and Punctuality Policy and provides information on suggested length of absence due to illness in school children. In addition to this, we would like to draw your attention to guidance on COVID-19:

As COVID-19 presents a low risk to children and young people, combined with high vaccination rates in the population, there are no longer specific rules relating to it in schools, colleges, childcare and other education settings. Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to go to school, college or childcare.

However, those who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Students Leaving the Academy for Appointments

In the event of your child having an appointment during the school day, can you please notify us in advance if at all possible. On the day of the appointment, if we have been notified, it will be logged on G4S. If your child remembers that they have an appointment, they should ask their teacher to leave to sign out. The teacher can check G4S and if they see the note they will let your child go to student reception. This will enable your child to leave their lesson on time and enable you to collect them quickly. Thank you for your support.

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th February: Year 10 and Year 12 trial exams commence.

Thursday 15th February: Sixth Form Application deadline.

Friday 16th February: Academy closes at 3.00pm for the half term holiday

Monday 26th February:

- Academy re-opens at 8.30am.
- Year 11 and Year 13 trial exams commence.

Monday 4th March:

- Sixth Form Trip to Barcleona (art, design and photography students) this week.
- Year 9 Trip to see 'Come From Away' at the Curve Theatre, Leicester. Students involved have been notified.

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

We are extremely proud of our extra-curricular offering to our students, both at lunch time and after school.

Whatever your child might be interested in, there is something for everyone, including Chess Club and Book Club in the Library, a British Sign Language (BSL) Club, Girls' Robotics Club, Minecraft Club and History Club, along with the usual sporting clubs such as Netball, Dodgeball, Swimming, Rugby and Fitness to name but a few. Alongside these, we also offer numerous revision sessions. Ask your child to talk to their form tutor if they are interested.



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 safeguarding@montsaye.pfschools.org.uk. The safeguarding team currently consists of Mr Rogers (Vice Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead), Mrs Long and Mrs Wood (Safeguarding Officers) and Mrs Walters-Morgan, Miss Douglas and Miss Beaton (Student Welfare Officers).

Social Media

Make sure that you like and follow us on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) and Instagram:

Facebook page: Montsaye Academy

X (formerly Twitter) feeds: @Montsaye, @montsayepe and @MontsayeSF

Instagram: montsayeacademyofficial, montsaye_art_design_department and montsayepe

