

Friday 17th January 2020

Get to school on time!

From Monday 20th January 2020 we will be running lunch time detentions of 20 minutes for any student who arrives late (after 8.40am). Should the student fail to attend that detention they will then be given an hour's detention after school on a Tuesday 3-4pm.

ERA Heroes

Warhammer club is going from strength to strength; well done to its members who are all so dedicated.

Well done to the Year 10 and Year 13 students. They have continued to work hard for their exams and have shown maturity and respect for others when moving around the academy respectfully as other lessons continue.

Sports and PE News

Superb news from Rowan in Year 11. On top of studying for his GCSEs, he is reaching ever new heights in rugby outside of school. He has recently made his debut for Leicestershire County Rugby Club. He scored one and made one. We are really proud of his achievements.

Congratulations to the boys' basketball team who won 18-2 and 14-10, winning the first round of their tournament. The second round of the tournament will take place next week.

Careers Information

Is your child unsure about their next step? We offer a careers drop-in service every Monday lunchtime in the Learning Resource Centre. Speak to Mr Doherty from Prospects about A-Level choices, college courses, information on apprenticeships and general careers advice.

Week Commencing Monday 20th January 2020

Monday 20th January: October 2020 French trip presentation at 6.00pm in the main hall (for current Year 7 parents, carers and students).

Tuesday 21st January:

- Sixth form open morning for parents of Year 11 students @ 9.15am. Please email Mrs McNish, our Sixth Form Centre Manager, if you wish to book a tour: lmcnish@montsaye.northants.sch.uk
- Year 8 boys' basketball at Montsaye.

Wednesday 22nd January:

- Year 8 boys' futsal at KLV.
- Year 7/8 and Year 9/10 boys' indoor rowing at Lodge Park Academy, Corby.
- Girls' U13s basketball at Bishop Stopford School, Kettering.

Thursday 23rd January: Please be aware that the Year 13 finance evening scheduled for this date has been postponed until Tuesday 4th February.

- Year 10 sports studies OAA expedition with Mr Wing.

Friday 24th January: Year 7 ERA day. Further details to follow.

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28th January:

- Sixth form open morning for parents of Year 11 students @ 9.15am. Please email Mrs McNish, our Sixth Form Centre Manager, if you wish to book a tour: lmcnish@montsaye.northants.sch.uk
- KS3 drama trip with Mr Shea. Students involved have been notified.
- Year 8 boys' basketball finals at Montsaye.
- Girls' seniors basketball at Kingswood Secondary Academy, Corby.

Wednesday 29th January:

- Year 9 parents' evening 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Please see the letter on our website under Parents/Letters for full information.
- Year 9 girls' netball at Latimer Arts College, Kettering

Thursday 30th January:

- Year 10 OAA sports studies expedition with Mrs Hodges and Mr Siddons.
- Year 7 and Year 8 girls' futsal (to be confirmed).

Friday 31st January: 'Gangs' Workshop presentation for Years 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Tuesday 4th February: Year 13 finance evening 5.30pm to 6.30pm. Further details to follow. Please note that this is a change to the previously advertised date.

Save the date...

Year 11 parents' evening: Thursday 6th February 2020

Young Carers Awareness Day - 30th January 2020

Young Carers Awareness Day is a day of recognition for the UK's young carers. For further information, please see the carers trust website: <https://carers.org/young-carers-awareness-day-2020-resources>.

Calling all ex-Montsaye students for text book recall

Do you know any former Year 11 Montsaye students who might have one or our copies of Romeo & Juliet or A Christmas Carol that they forgot to return? If so, please encourage them to return them to our main reception so that current students can benefit from them. Thanks.



Please remember to follow us on social media for regular academy up-dates:

Twitter feeds: @Montsaye, @montsayepe and @MontsayeSF
Please like our Facebook page for regular academy news up-dates.





National
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7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WakeUpWednesday



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Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASK THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.



Which websites do you enjoy using and why?

AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY, ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.



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PLAY AGAIN?
YES NO

How does this game/app work?
Can I play?

SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANKS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD. FOR EXAMPLE: "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.



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Do you know where to go for help?

ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER. HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

Do you know what your personal information is?

YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT THINK ABOUT HOW IT CAN BE SHARED. HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED BEYOND THE INTENDED RECIPIENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS OR PHOTOS, AS INFORMATION SUCH AS THIS CAN SPREAD QUICKLY ONLINE.



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Do you know your limits?

CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF DEVICE OR GAME ADDICTION. TALK TO THEM OPENLY ABOUT HEALTHY HABITS AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEM SPENDING TIME ONLINE OR PLAYING A GAME IS AFFECTING THEIR SLEEP, PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL OR IF THEY ARE GENERALLY LOSING INTEREST IN OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU MAY LEAD ON TO ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSING THE INTRODUCTION OF TIME LIMITS WHEN AT HOME.

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