



**Friday 8th February 2019**

**Montsaye is a GOOD school!**



I am sure by now that you will have heard our fantastic news that Montsaye Academy is no longer in Special Measures and has been rated a GOOD school by Ofsted. We are delighted with this outcome and it is testament to the hard work of a fantastic leadership team and a staff who have worked tirelessly over the last 17 months since the appointment of our new principal, Mrs Gabbi. Let us not forget our students who are a credit to the school and make Montsaye Academy a pleasure to be part of. Please take a moment to read the report which you can find on our website.

### **Attendance? It Matters...**

**Last Week's Whole School Attendance: 91.55% / Government target for Attendance: 95%**

Please encourage your children to be punctual to school and lessons. We will be focusing on this to ensure the school's high expectations about it are met. Well done to Year 12 who had 96.1% attendance last week, the best in the school for the 4th week this term.

### **Punctuality Is Important**

Being punctual shows that students have integrity, value and respect others as well as themselves, are responsible and care. This is in keeping with our culture of High Expectations for everyone at Montsaye Academy. With effect from Monday 4th February, if students are not on time to lessons:

- Staff will be in the corridors logging names of students who are not in lessons.
- Students will be issued with a detention from the class teacher.
- Parents will receive a text telling them that their child has been late to a lesson.

### **Saturday Maths School**

Please note that Year 11 weekend maths session is **not running this week, Saturday 9th February**. The next one is on **Saturday 16th February**, at which all Year 11 students are welcome. The sessions will take place in the sixth form centre from 10.30am to 12.30pm with Mr Baria and Miss Singh. We had over 65 students attend the session last weekend which is encouraging to see. #ERAlerner.

### **New...Rugby Club**

Open to all year groups boys and girls. Taking place every Monday afternoon 3.00pm to 4.00pm with Mr Siddons. New and experienced players of all ages and abilities welcome.

### **Careers Advice**

Is your child unsure about what to do next? Please remember that we have a careers advisor in the academy every Monday. Ask your child to pop and see Mr Doherty upstairs in the LRC to talk about their next steps and future choices.

### **Gay Straight Alliance Group**

We are pleased to be able to offer a support group for LGBTQ students and allies. Please ask students to contact Mrs Lopes or Miss Wolstenholme for more information.

**Week Commencing Monday 11th February 2019**

**Monday 11th February:** Year 11 sixth form taster day.

**Monday 11th February:** World Challenge Launch Meeting, students from 3.30pm, parents from 5.30pm in the Learning Resource Centre.

**Tuesday 12th February:** GCSE drama students performance visit to Kettering Buccleuch Academy 12.20pm to 3.00pm with Mr Shea.

**Tuesday 12th February:** Montsaye Dance Show dress rehearsal 3.00pm to 5.00pm with Miss Malins.

**Tuesday 12th February:** Year 11 Theatre Trip to see Blood Brothers at Nottingham Theatre Royal 5.30pm to 11.30pm with Mr Shea.

**Wednesday 13th February:** Year 9 girls' netball at Latimer Arts College.

**Wednesday 13th February:** Year 13 finance evening 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

**Wednesday 13th February:** Montsaye Dance Show 6.00pm, tickets £1.00 each. The NewERA Cheer Team will also be performing.

**Thursday 14th February:** Dance exam (choreography) 9.00am to 3.00pm with Miss Malins.

**Thursday 14th February:** Year 9 and Year 10 girls' basketball tournament at Kettering Buccleuch Academy.

**Friday 15th February:** Northamptonshire Mental Health Awareness Day; our pastoral mentors will be available to talk with students in the LRC at break and lunch times #timetotalk.

**Friday 15th February:** Sixth form application deadline.

**Friday 15th February:** School closes at 3.00pm for the half term holiday.

**Half term:** Revision sessions - details to follow.

**Forthcoming Dates for your Diary**

**Monday 25th February:** School re-opens at 8.30am after the half term holiday.

**Monday 25th February:** Year 11 food practical examination all day.

**Tuesday 26th February:** Year 9 Careers Fair. Students will be off-timetable where they will take part in six short sessions with a range of employers in small groups. There will also be the opportunity for students to ask questions of the employers as well as to talk with our Careers Advisor. Further details to follow.

**Tuesday 26th February:** Year 7 and Year 8 girls' basketball tournament at Prince William School, Oundle.

**Wednesday 27th February:** Year 7 girls' netball at Bishop Stopford School, Kettering.

**Thursday 28th February:** Year 11 food practical examination all day.

**Friday 1st March:** Year 9 ERA drop-down day. Students will be off-timetable for the day, taking part in six bespoke sessions, getting them to think about their options choices, as well as learning key lessons as part of the PSHE curriculum. Options books will be handed out as part of one of the sessions.

Please note, that the Year 11 Head of Department and Head of Subject evening has moved from Thursday 28th February to Thursday 14th March.

**Save the date... Saturday 30th March:** Spring Fair at Montsaye Academy, 12.00pm to 4.00pm.

**For information on all of our extra-curricular activities, please remember to check the Montsaye Academy website.**



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