

17th June 2022



Morecambe Bay
Academy

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is my pleasure to introduce this week's round up of news and successes at Morecambe Bay Academy.

May I start by thanking parents for your efforts to ensure pupils are in school on time for their examinations and studying between examinations in school. There is no question in my mind that under the advice and guidance of their teachers, the pupils will achieve better outcomes than they might have done otherwise.

However, next week there are only a couple of examinations left to complete so we propose the following arrangements for **year 11 pupils**:

Monday 20 th June	Pupils to register as normal and go to 9am Chemistry GCSE. Pupils to be allowed to go home after their examination.
Tuesday 21 st June	Some pupils will have a Hospitality and Catering examination at 1pm. Otherwise all other pupils are not required to attend However, pupils planning on coming to our 6 th form in September are encouraged to attend the sixth form taster day
Wednesday 22 nd June	Science revision periods 1-3 with science teachers. Pupils to leave at lunchtime (12.25pm)
Thursday 23 rd June	9am Chemistry GCSE examination. Pupils will remain in school for their Leavers Service and then leave school by 12.15pm
Friday 24 th June	Attend only for examinations. Study leave for all pupils.

Year 13 pupils who still have examinations must continue to attend their lessons for those examinations so they can continue to do structured revision with their teachers. Once their examinations are completed, they may remain off school.

As you may have read in the news, the Education Secretary announced that all school must complete a minimum length of the school day. We have looked at this policy and we need to lengthen our day. From September, we will be adding 10 minutes to the start and end of the school day. Therefore, school will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.15pm.

Have a great weekend

Gavin Gomersall
Principal

Dance



One Monday 13th June we took a small group of students to Manchester to watch the musical 'Anything Goes'. The students really enjoyed the show, it has quite an old-fashioned storyline, but it was full of laugh out loud humour and some of the most wonderful dance numbers. Now we have got back into organising the theatre trips post covid, we hope to continue this next year, as there are some really exciting productions coming to Manchester in the winter term, so keep your eyes peeled.

Mrs Baines

Yr 9 London Trip

For parents of the students who are going to London on 14th July until the 16th July, there is a pre-trip meeting in the school hall on Thursday 23rd June at 6.00 p.m.

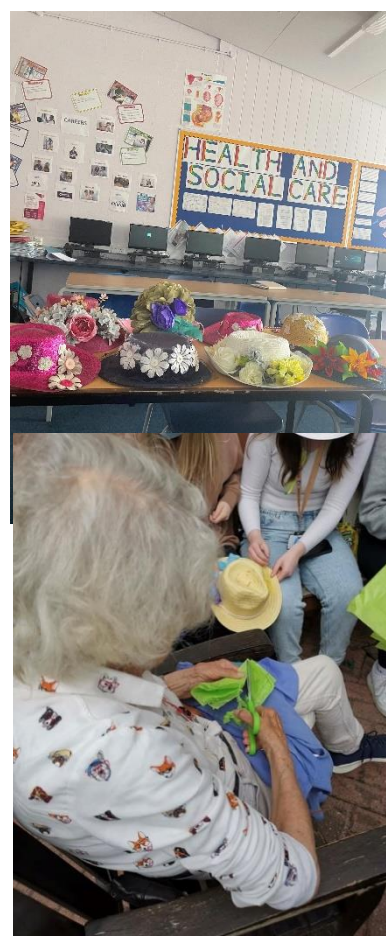
Mrs Halhead

Health & Social Care



Last week, students studying Health and Social Care went to the Sands Care Home to help the residents design and decorate hats for their Brain Tumour Research Day, taking place on Friday 17th June. The sun was shining, and we could do this in their lovely garden.

Our students also brought the residents some cakes to enjoy while doing this. We brought some hats back to school and students and staff across the arts, food technology, design technology and textiles department contributed and created many hat designs for Residents. A great time was had by all.



Mental Health

If your child is struggling with their mental health over the summer, you may find the attached Kooth leaflet useful. During term time, you can also contact your child's Head of Year with any concerns about your child's mental health.



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Water Safety Message from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service

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Water Safety – The situation

- With temperatures soaring in the UK over next few days and the summer months ahead, it's important to recognise that UK waters are still cold ... so the weather might be hot, but the water is not and this is when we sadly see lives lost through cold water shock. Here the body is unable to adjust quickly enough to the temperature of the water and becomes weak very quickly, which can lead to tragedy.

Water Safety – Know the dangers

- As well as cold water shock there could be hazards underwater - shallow/hidden rocks or debris which could lead to life changing injuries. The water quality - in many areas, particularly unsupervised places which haven't been risk assessed, is unlikely to be very good quality and could cause life threatening illnesses.
- Many areas of open water are in remote locations. If help is needed phone signals may be poor and help is likely to take longer to arrive than normal - don't take this risk.

Water Safety – Use the water safely

- Stick together and tell someone where you are going. This includes dog walkers, cyclists, joggers and anglers who often do these activities alone and don't intend to go in the water in the first place – Do you know where your loved ones are?
- It is best to only swim in open water as part of an organised group where help will be on hand.
- If someone is in trouble in open water, don't panic as this will quickly reduce strength. Instead try to float on your back like a starfish - float to live.
- If help is needed call 999 and ask for the Fire Service if inland and for the Coastguard if by the sea.

Emotionally Based
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09:45-13:00 June 17th & July 1st

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