



### **Welcome**

Paula Marshall and I will continue to be the pastoral leads for your child throughout their time in Year 11. Students have made a fantastic return to school this half term and it has been fantastic to see them approach their GCSEs in a mature and determined manner.

Thank you for your continued support. If you need any help or have any queries please feel free to contact me via the school office on 0191 297 9700 or via email at [office@monkseaton.org.uk](mailto:office@monkseaton.org.uk).

Mrs Kim Hay  
Pastoral Raising Achievement Leader KS4

### **Homework**

Students have received a homework timetable which shows them when they will be assigned homework for each subject. All homework is assigned via Microsoft Teams, therefore at any point students can log on to see their outstanding assignments and their due dates.



### **Trial Exams**

Students will have their first full set of trial exams after half term. Students will sit these exams within normal lesson time in their normal classrooms. Students should use this as their first practice in sitting in exam conditions, answering exam questions in timed conditions and revising at home for their exams. Students will be given a grade a feedback for these exams so they can assess their currently working at grades.

### **Connexions**

Every student in Year 11 will receive a 1:1 30 minute careers guidance meeting with our Connexions advisor. Connexions is an impartial careers service who can offer students advice on future pathways including Sixth Forms, colleges and apprenticeships. Students will be timetabled an appointment but are free to book their own follow up through the intranet if they would like to meet again.



### **Careers/Future Pathways**

You can find out more information about careers and future pathways on our school website at [www.monkseaton.org.uk/careers](http://www.monkseaton.org.uk/careers). Here you will find information for both parents and students, as well as a careerometer tool to support decision making and examples of our alumni and what their progression after Monkseaton High School. There are also videos from professionals in different industries to inform students about different job roles and support them in their decision making. If you need further support you can contact Mr Hay or our Connexions advisor Angela Toves through the main office.

### **ClassCharts**

You can find daily updates on pupil progress on your parent ClassCharts account. This will allow you to access information about rewards and detentions. Please contact the school office if you need your log on and password.



## **Year 11 Subject Award Winners:**

### **Well Done to our subject stars this half term!**

Art – **Tayler Palmer**  
Biology – **Emily Forrest**  
Business – **Luke Warriner**  
Chemistry – **Sophie Stanyer**  
Computer Science – **Ben Hillas**  
English – **Lily Reed**  
French – **Ben Hillas**  
Geography – **Candice Barker**  
History – **Aiofe Graham**  
Health and Social Care – **Clare Burns**  
Hospitality – **Daisy Spry**  
I media – **Thomas Moralee**  
Maths – **Luke Warriner**  
Media Studies – **Abi Curtis**  
Music- **Tayler Palmer**  
P.E. – **Sarah Vince**  
Performing Arts- **Owen Morrow**  
Physics – **Gabrielle Hastie**  
Spanish – **Lily Brown**



### **Year 11 will be studying the following topics in the next half term:**

#### **Maths Foundation:**

- Number Review
- Algebra
- Geometry
- Statistics

#### **Maths Higher:**

- Rearranging Formula
- Surds
- Proof
- Vectors

#### **English:**

- Trial exams: Language Paper 2: Questions 1,2,3,4
- Trial Exams: Literature: Essay question on 'Macbeth'
- Literature: Power and Conflict poetry
- Literature: 'An Inspector Calls' revision

#### **Biology:**

- Gas Exchange and Transport

#### **Chemistry:**

- Rates of Reaction
- Equilibria
- Separation Techniques

#### **Physics:**

- Electricity

#### **Art:**

- Creating acrylic paintings onto canvas
- Developing sketch books
- Documenting an outcome and being inspired by artists work.

#### **Business:**

- Quality
- Ecommerce
- Lean Production
- Procurement

#### **Computer Science**

- Compression
- Threats to computer systems
- Systems software

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**Engineering Year 11:**

- Compile a report investigating and analysing the design of bike lights (worth 33% of their final grade).
- Revising R105 design briefs, specifications, and user needs. This unit is the main exam counting for 33% of their final grade.

**Geography:**

- Ecosystems
- Tropical Rainforests
- Hot deserts

**History:**

- Early Modern Britain 1500-1700 - witchcraft, vagrancy, Guy Fawkes, and the treatment of heretics
- Industrial Britain 1700-1900 - poaching, smuggling, highway robbery plus the development of the 'Bloody Code'
- Trial exam feedback and homework to practice primary source analysis and comparing historical interpretations

**Health and Social care:**

- Blood pressure
- BMI
- Health indicators
- Peak flow
- Pulse rate

**Hospitality**

- Skills preparation for Unit 2
- Pastry making
- High level presentation techniques
- Revision for Unit 1 exam in January

**iMedia**

- R083 coursework

**Media Studies:**

- Component Two: sitcoms
- Component Two: music videos and websites

**Music:**

- Solo Performance Skills
- Cover songs as a band

**Performing Arts:**

- Devise and perform a scene inspired by Lord of the Flies
- Perform an extract from The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime

**Photography:**

- Photography Portraits and photographing water textures before combining the two in Adobe Photoshop.

**PE:**

- Sport studies - Media in sport