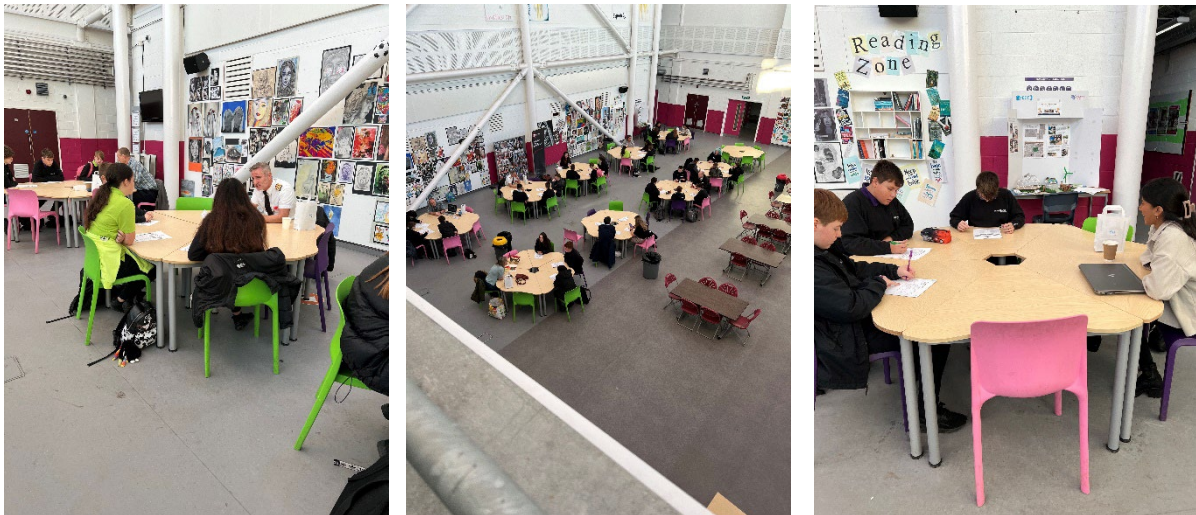




Year 9 Newsletter: December 2022



It has been wonderful to see how well the year group have settled into Year 9 at Monkseaton High School. They are a fantastic group of students and have impressed everyone with their attitude and approach to school. The extra curricular clubs that we have on offer have been well attended by students and Year 9 have had some great sporting successes in Football, Volleyball and Cross country

I look forward to sharing more of their achievements and successes with you in the upcoming terms. Well Done Year 9, I am very proud of you.

Mrs Wood

REVIEW OF THIS TERM

- The students took part in a "Careers" speed dating event. There were 20+ employers from a variety of industries including NHS, Jet2 Holidays and the Army
- Students in Star Group with Mr Dear have been exploring space beyond the science curriculum, supported by an astronomer from Kielder Observatory who answers the excellent questions our students direct to them. Students have also

PREVIEW OF NEXT TERM

- We return to school on Monday 9th January 2023.
- Half term dates are 17th February and return on 27th February.
- Easter break starts on 31st March.
- Year 9 students will have a block of 6 lessons in personal development all about careers.
- There will be 1:1 meetings about GSCE options.

made a scale model of the solar system for the science corridor and designed landing gear to allow an egg to drop ~10m without smashing. The group will be going to Kielder Observatory in December to meet the astronomers who have been answering their questions.

- There have been huge sporting successes over the first term. The Year 9 football team have won a number of matches. The under 14s volleyball team won in a recent competition at Whitley Bay. The team included Bethany Herron, Brooke Herron, Jamie Anderton and Emilia Morton.
- We had a visit from Victoria Williamson, author of War of the Wind.
- Some students took part in a study skills session from Elevate Education.
- Students on the High Attainer Programme have had two sessions.
- We will be collecting items for The Bay foodbank in the run up to Christmas. Each tutor group will be collecting items in their form class.

- All Year 9 students will be given access to Unifrog. It is a careers related online platform. It supports students with job searches, careers, creating a CV and future pathways.

STARS OF THE TERM

Cameron Higgins
 Jahnavi Singamsetty
 Teona Gora
 Joe Hayes
 Ava Trobe

IN LESSONS NEXT TERM

To read more about what your child will be studying in lessons next term, visit the [Curriculum Overview](#) pages on our website and look at the Term Two column.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Encourage your child to take part in a club. See the timetable [here](#).

HOMEWORK

Remind your child about their homework. See the timetable [here](#).

BREAKFAST CLUB

All students welcome 08:00-08:30 every day. Bagels, cereal, hot drinks and more.