



The Mosslands School

Newsletter 20th October

2022



School Diary

Monday 31st October – Friday 4th November 2022

Week A

Date(s)	Event(s)
Monday 31 st October	School Opens After Half Term 8.45am
Tuesday 1 st November	Dungeons and Dragons Club 3.20-4.30 - Library
	Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening 4.30-7.15pm
Wednesday 2 nd November	No Events Scheduled
Thursday 3 rd November	Year 7 Archaeology Club 3.20pm D05
	Homework Club 3.20-4.30pm Library & D22
Friday 4 th November	Year 13 Geography Fieldwork - Dorset

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Half Term

School closes tomorrow for half term at 3.20pm. We wish all our students a safe and relaxing break and look forward to seeing them all back in school on Monday 31st October at 8.45am.

Year 11 Parents' Evening Tuesday 1st November

Bookings for the online parents' evening will go live at 4pm today.

Behaviour

You will be very aware I'm sure, of the drink that was launched recently by the YouTuber KSI, namely PRIME Hydration. This has become the cause of a number of issues concerning our pupils. As mentioned last week, the behaviour of our learners in local shops trying to purchase this drink has been very poor and, in some instances, has become criminal behaviour and reported to the police.

Rumours around school, if they are to be believed, are that empty bottles of PRIME are changing hands for large amounts of money. We would obviously wish to discourage this. Any issues surrounding this drink that involve selling or poor behaviour will be dealt with in line with school policy.

Art Department

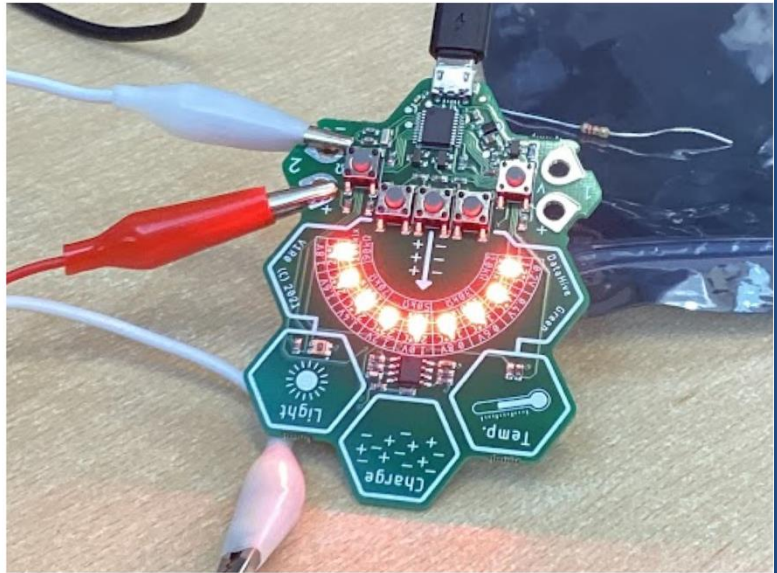
It's competition time! All year groups welcome to enter.

All you need to do is draw your best pumpkin and hand it in to your art teacher or find Miss Connor. Prizes will be awarded to the best three entries. It can be any size, completed with colour pencil, pencil or paint, the choice is yours. Deadline for entries is Monday 31st October 🎃👻 Happy drawing 🎃👻

You can follow us on Instagram at art -mosslands to see some fabulous examples of the work produced by our students.

Design & Technology

Some of our Year 8 classes have been working on a new systems and control project this term. We are focussing on sensors and inputs and using a piece of technology called a Datahive (pictured below). The students have been using the Datahives to sense, record and track inputs such as voltage, temperature, light levels and static charge. They are then using this information to consider solutions to environmental issues such as waste disposal, storage of energy and efficient food production.



Temperature (°C)

20 °C

Light (Lux)

1000 Lux

Resistance on input 2 (Ω)

10 kΩ

LEDs

Red Green Blue Off

Drama

It has been a busy but wonderful couple of weeks!



Sixth Form drama students ventured to Manchester HOME Theatre to see *KIN*; a performance by Gecko Theatre Company who they are currently studying. This was an

incredible opportunity for the cohort, made even more unique by taking part in a Q&A with the artistic director Amit Lahav and meeting him afterwards.

Year 10 -13 drama students went to the Liverpool Playhouse to see *Othello* by Frantic Assembly; another prestigious theatre company they study. Mrs Brett was thrilled with the attitude of the 45 pupils that took up this fantastic opportunity.





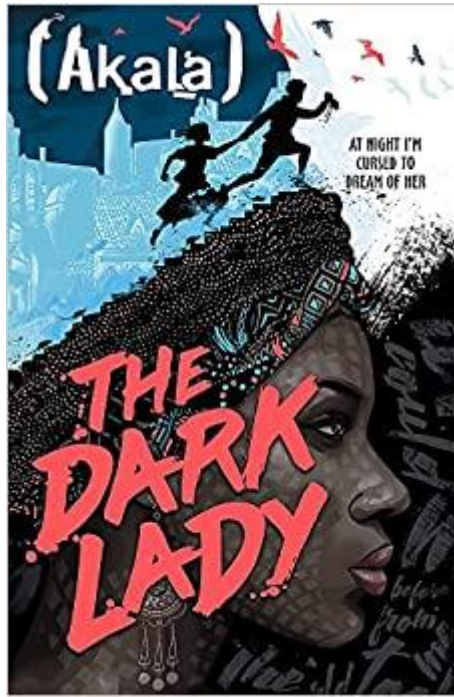
Finally, Year 10 and 13 pupils took part in a *Curious Minds* workshop with former pupil Isaac Nixon, which explored poetry and graphic

novel artwork. The group created exploratory performance work, which some pupils described as being therapeutic. This was a wonderful experience for all involved. Thanks go to Isaac for providing such a wonderful opportunity for our students.

STEM

Our near 4-year involvement as co-creation partners of Eureka Science + Discovery is coming to end, and staff and students will be celebrating by attending the launch party on Wednesday 25th October. The brand-new national attraction coming to Wirral, (Seacombe Ferry) is designed to inspire children and young people to be curious about science. It will be open to the public from 11th November.

Library



Our Book of the Week is *The Dark Lady* by Akala. A pickpocket with an exceptional gift. A prisoner of extraordinary value. An orphan haunted by dreams of the mysterious Dark Lady. Henry is an orphan, an outsider, a thief. He is also a fifteen-year-old invested with magical powers ... This brilliant, at times brutal, first novel from the amazing imagination that is Akala, will glue you to your seat as you are hurled into a time when London stank and boys like Henry were forced to find their own route through the tangled streets and out the other side. This book is available in the library now!

Black History Month: During our Year 7 and 8 library lessons this month we have been honouring Black History Month by recognising the incredible voices of Black British authors. Here are some fantastic books that explore and celebrate Black history and identity or simply tell a compelling tale and are all available in the library now: *You Can Do It: How to Find Your Voice and Make a Difference* by **Marcus Rashford**, *Me, My Dad and the End of the Rainbow* by **Benjamin Dean**, *Black and British* by **David Olusoga**, *Windrush*

Child by **Benjamin Zephaniah** and *And the Stars are Shining Brightly* by **Danielle Jawando**.

Medication In School

If you have any questions or concerns regarding medication in school, please contact the SEND Department.

Fundraising for Mosslands

Don't forget to order your online shopping through "Easyfundraising.com" to help raise money for school.



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