

Dear parents,

Welcome to half term 2 of the school year. This term we begin to shift our focus towards checking how much our pupils and your children are learning in order to give ourselves and you an update on their progress. Academic and pastoral progress reports will be released at the end of the term and parent meetings will take place in the new year.

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**Middle School Highlights**

MAPP: Congratulations to 7 Homerton who have really turned things around and are so far showing everyone else how it is done this half term. MAPP prize will be a disco after school for all classes that earn and a Christmas tree to decorate for the very top form. Remember 3.6 out of 4 needed

Position	Class	Half Term Average
1	7 Homerton	3.64
2	8 Lille	3.54
3	9 Cardiff	3.53
4	7 Sorbonne	3.52
5	8 Liverpool	3.49
6	9 Exeter	3.41

**Wonderful Humanities Holiday Homework:**

Year 8 pupils worked really hard over the holiday creating some phenomenal castles as part of a project for humanities in Ms Taylor’s lessons. A couple of amazing efforts are below. A big thank you to parents for helping pupils with materials for their projects.



*Work by Omar De Freitas-Matthew*



*Work by Zaara Ali*

**Payslip and Attendance Updates**

- **167 out of 189** pupils in MS have made a great start to the half term by being here 100% of the time since the holiday. Let’s keep this number really high!
- Congratulations to **Ms Manley and 7 Sorbonne for 98.9% attendance** this week – thank you parents for all your support in getting your children to school every day and on time
- Top payslip in **year 7** this week was **Ali Kanso** with **138** Well done!
- Top payslip in **year 8** this week was **Lina Zaara Ali** with **174** Well done!
- Top payslip in **year 9** this week was **Sara Abdulkader** with **146** Well done!

## Looking Ahead - Calendar

Some key events and highlights in middle school for the half term ahead.

HT2		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
W 1		30-Oct-17	31-Oct-17	01-Nov-17	02-Nov-17	03-Nov-17	04-Nov-17
		<b>Staff training</b>				<b>MS assembly Wristband dress down day</b>	
W 2		06-Nov-17	07-Nov-17	08-Nov-17	09-Nov-17	10-Nov-17	11-Nov-17
			<b>Year 9 Photography Trip</b>			MS focus – parent coffee morning	1st Fusion & SPARK/Ignite Rehearsal
W 3		13-Nov-17	14-Nov-17	15-Nov-17	16-Nov-17	17-Nov-17	18-Nov-17
		<b>Yr8 Humanities Trip</b>				MS Assembly <b>Yr7 Roman London Trip</b>	
W 4	<b>MS Assessment WK1</b>	20-Nov-17	21-Nov-17	22-Nov-17	23-Nov-17	24-Nov-17	25-Nov-17
W 5	<b>MS Assessment WK2</b>	27-Nov-17	28-Nov-17	29-Nov-17	30-Nov-17	01-Dec-17	02-Dec-17
						Winter Fair MS Assembly <b>MS school leader trip to Teach First</b>	Fusion Rehearsal
W 6		04-Dec-17	05-Dec-17	06-Dec-17	07-Dec-17	08-Dec-17	09-Dec-17
			<b>Selected Yr9 Pupils on French Trip</b>	PSHE Parent Workshop		<b>ARK Moderation Day</b>	SPARK rehearsal & Performance @ Bargehouse
W 7		11-Dec-17	12-Dec-17	13-Dec-17	14-Dec-17	15-Dec-17	16-Dec-17
						MS Celebration Assembly	
W 8		18-Dec-17	19-Dec-17	20-Dec-17	21-Dec-17	22-Dec-17	23-Dec-17
		MAPP PRIZE P6	<b>PSHE Cycle 1 Drop-down (pm) Reports go home MAPP disco 5-6pm</b>	MS MAPP Auction			

## Closing

Let's have a great half term!

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Mvula**

**Head of Middle School**