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Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Year 11 visit to Spain

During the holidays, Mr Stevens, Mrs Chapman and Mr Heaney took 29 of our Y11 GCSE Spanish students to a small town outside of Málaga called La Cala del Moral for a long weekend.

Students took part in a range of cultural and educational visits such as visiting the largest subterranean caves in Europe, a school exchange with Spanish pupils at a secondary school, a tour of the famous Alcazaba, a Flamenco workshop and private tuition on the beach school. They also visited the city centre of Málaga to see the Christmas markets and light displays. In addition, there were plenty of opportunities to spend time on the beach (and the sea for the bravest of students), play sports and each churros.

NEWSflash

Students were engaged, enthusiastic and represented Mossley Hollins in the best way. Mr Stevens would like to extend a huge thank you to the staff, students and parents/carers for supporting the trip and a wonderful experience for all.



#### Information & Contacts

Our purple Newsflash celebrates the recent successes of our students both in and out of school. If you would like to access the blue monthly Information & Contacts, visit our website for the November edition.

CHARACTER

DEVELOPMENT

THE FOUR PILLARS

### School Production -Tickets now available

Tickets can now be purchased for this years production, 'Singin' in the Rain' which will showcase on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February and close on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

> Tickets can be purchased via the school's website for £7 each.

Please don't delay if you would like to see the production, historically we sell out all of our seats weeks prior to the show. On behalf of the cast and crew - we look forward to welcoming you.

### Character Pillar Awards

Save the date for our awards ceremonies to celebrate our student's successes with the Character Pillars!

**Years 9-11** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 4.00pm

**Years 7-8** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 4.00pm

Invitations to parents and carers will be sent out nearer the time for those students who will be receiving an award.



# Meet the Library Team

Let me introduce myself and the team, my name is Mrs Taylor and I am the School Librarian. The reason I applied for this role was to share my passion for reading with our students and to promote reading for pleasure.

Our Student Librarian team includes Holly and Emily, who we wish to congratulate on being promoted to Senior Librarians - they will mentor our newly recruited Year 7 Junior Librarians: Elaina, Mia and India, who commenced their new roles this week and I am sure will thrive. The other Student Librarians are Ewan, Max, Lexi, Joud, Cathrine, Amelia, Lexi and Isabelle. We had some amazing applications this year for the Year 7 Student Librarian roles and thank you to everyone who applied.

We try to make our library a welcoming, calm and friendly place, where students can read in comfort. We create exciting displays that promote both our calendared reading events, celebrate literature and we are building a 'reading for pleasure' culture.

We look forwarded to welcoming you to the library in the near future.

#### Want to be featured?

If you have some news to share and would like to be considered for a future edition of the NewsFlash. email us at: newsflash@mossleyhollins.com



The Power of

Language

### **Recommended this Week** Scythe-Arc of a Scythe



NEAL SHUSTERMAN

In a perfect world, what is there left to fear?

A chilling and thought-provoking sci-fi novel from bestselling author Neal Shusterman. A dark, gripping and witty thriller in which the only thing humanity has control over is death.

In a world where disease, war and crime have been eliminated, the only way to die is to be randomly killed ("gleaned") by professional scythes.

Citra and Rowan are teenagers who have been selected to be scythes' apprentices, and despite wanting nothing to do with the vocation, they must learn the art of killing and understand the necessity of what they do.

Only one of them will be chosen as a scythe's apprentice and as Citra and Rowan come up against a terrifyingly corrupt Scythedom, it becomes clear that the winning apprentice's first task will be to glean the loser

# Visit from Carl-Zeiss Oberschule

Later this month, we at Mossley Hollins High School will be playing host to the Carl-Zeiss Oberschule - a secondary school from Germany. This is the first time we have linked with this school and their students will be coming over to observe our lessons, meet our students and staff and to see our culture and way of life. Their students will be seeing lots of the Manchester region too and trips have also been planned. We can't wait to welcome them to our school and hope this is the first visit of many for both schools.

#### Parents and Carers...

#### Fancy trying something new for 2024?

Come and join us at Mossley Zumba.... Mossley Hollins, Wednesday, 7pm till 8pm.

It is beginner friendly, done in the dark with disco lights, plus your first class is free so you've literally got nothing to lose!!

Come and try it.... you won't regret it!!



