

June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Year 7 Tame River Educational Trust Electives

At Mossley Hollins, all Year7 students are expected to undertake an elective of their choice each throughout Year 7. I am really excited to share further details of our co-curricular Electives programme with you, please see below:

Why will all of Year 7 be doing an Elective?

Electives will provide the opportunity for every student in Year 7 to enjoy experiences that go beyond the classroom whilst uncovering new interests and talents. There will be a wide variety of Electives, from which students will opt for one. Our programme will really help not only in developing an interest in their chosen elective, but it can also help to form friendships with students from different form groups.

The School Day for Year 7 will finish at 3.45pm/4pm Every Monday to provide this new learning and new experience

The Electives will form a mandatory part of our Year 7 curriculum with sessions taking place every Monday afternoon from 3:00pm to 3.45pm. Please note that our Food Technology elective will run until 4pm each and every Monday. This is compulsory time and registers will be taken as normal. The elective is as important as lesson 1. This means that all students in Year 7 will take part in compulsory electives during **an extended** school day. Please note, the current school day will remain unchanged for Y8-11. As you may know, Year 11 already have an extended school day.

Planning Together to Getting Home Safely at the Later Time each Monday

Our current Year7 students have been able to travel home at this later time without any issues, using public transport, walking or by arranging lifts at the later time. However, if you do have concerns about travel arrangements for your child, please do get in touch so that we can support you with this.

Choosing the Elective your child prefers: Our Electives' Booklet

We do hope that students, parents and carers are as excited as we are about the opportunities the electives bring. Please find attached our Electives' Booklet which includes details of the elective options available for your child. There will also be an information stand at our Parent Partnership Evening, on Thursday 27th June, for you and your child to discuss further details regarding our electives on offer. Students will select 3 different choices and put them in order of preference.

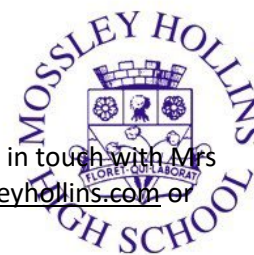
Choices must be made by Monday 1st July by [CLICKING HERE](#).

We will have to place students in what is left if they don't make their return by the 1st July at the latest.

As soon as all students have made their Elective option choice, we will then allocate Elective activities to each child. Students must note that they **may not** get their first choice and should ensure that all 3 options selected are activities that they would like to take part in. **We aim to inform all students of their allocated elective activity no later than Tuesday 16th July.**

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If you have any queries in relation to the Elective Programme please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mrs Desirae Webster (our Administration & Partnership Leader) by emailing d.webster@mossleyhollins.com or contacting her in school on 01457 83 2491.

Why is it not costing any money for families? The Wider Curriculum

The best education is about so much more than just words and numbers. As you know, so many of our students take part in the 30+ lunchtime and after-school clubs on offer at Mossley Hollins. **The Trust Elective for Year 7 on Monday nights for students at Mossley Hollins High School** is different. It is part of the curriculum and part of our compulsory school day for all in Year 7: some of the best learning and the best friendships and interests are formed then. It has no cost attached, as it is central to our curriculum and the development of the Character of all our students. **The school and Trust have invested in this wonderful opportunity because our children and community deserve it.**

Please make sure you have transport/getting-home arrangements in place for your Year 7 child each Monday thank you so, so much for your support. I would also like to thank our teachers, coaches and trainers for offering up such a marvellous opportunity for your child at such a busy time.

Yours sincerely,

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