



19 June 2008

Dear Parents / Carers

**Year 5 Activity Afternoons  
Thursday 26 June and Tuesday 1 July 2008**

You will probably be aware that Mount Grace is now oversubscribed and Year 7 is now full for September 2008. We attribute some of this success to the 'Activity Afternoon' experiences we offer the Year 5 pupils from local primary schools.

To facilitate the large number of primary pupils on site, we need to organise constructive learning arrangements for Years 8, 9 and 10 to work at home. The students in these year groups will be expected to work on eLearning topics as outlined below. There will be logon facilities at school for students unable to work from home.

We are keen for all students to use the VLE, especially those who have not tried the remote logon facility; this seems an ideal opportunity to do this. Details of how to access the site are given below. Students who are eligible for Free School Meals can still order and collect their meal from the canteen at 12.40pm.

To maintain our vastly improving attendance record all students will be expected to attend school for the morning sessions as normal. Please contact Mrs Sara Bailey (Attendance Officer) if for any genuine reason your child cannot attend school on either of the two days. All absences will be thoroughly investigated.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Peter Baker  
Headteacher

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## eLearning tasks

**Please note:** information below subject to change; last minute details will be on the VLE.

### Year 8

**ICT:** complete the eLearning Day Questionnaire by logging on to the school's VLE - Year 8 Homework/Business & ICT/eLearning Day Questionnaire – follow the instructions.

**Science:** SAMLearning – Once logged on all details are available from the “My Homework” tab.

**Maths:** SAMLearning – Once logged on all details are available from the “My Homework” tab.

**English:** free writing activity; details will be on the VLE (Year 8/English).

### Year 9

**ICT:** complete the eLearning Day Questionnaire by logging on to the school's VLE - Year 9 Homework/Business & ICT/eLearning Day Questionnaire – follow the instructions.

**Science:** use the internet to research scientific evidence for the Case Study; write up the Data Analysis.

**Business Studies:** complete the coursework task on sole traders/private limited companies. You will need to access your work on the school network using the Remote Access Portal.

**Maths:** SAMLearning – Once logged on all details are available from the “My Homework” tab.

### Year 10

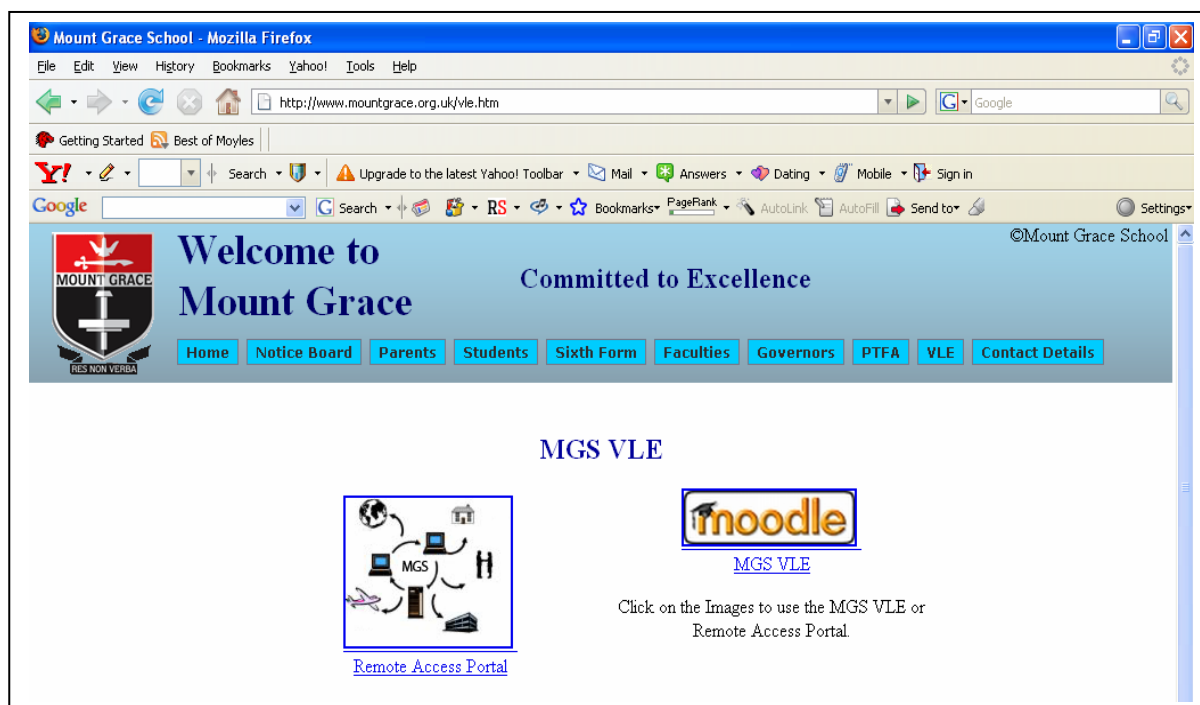
**ICT:** complete the eLearning Day Questionnaire by logging on to the school's VLE - Year 10 Homework/Business & ICT/eLearning Day Questionnaire – follow the instructions.

**Science:** use the internet to research scientific evidence for the Case Study; write up the Data Analysis.

**Maths:** SAMLearning – Once logged on all details are available from the “My Homework” tab.

**Option subjects:** use SAMLearning to revise an *option subject* of your choice.

- To access the VLE from the school's website, all students will need their VLE username and password (issued to all students and to be verified in ICT lessons this week).
- To access the Remote Access Portal the student should use their **school network** user name and password.
- The web address for SAMLearning is [www.SAMLearning.co.uk](http://www.SAMLearning.co.uk). The centre id is en6mg. The user name is the student's date of birth followed by their initials (eg 251294AB). The password is the same as the username (unless previously changed by the student). Once logged on all details are available from the “My Homework” tab.



The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the Mount Grace School website. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://www.mountgrace.org.uk/vle.htm>. The website header features the school's crest and the text "Welcome to Mount Grace" and "Committed to Excellence". Below the header is a navigation menu with buttons for Home, Notice Board, Parents, Students, Sixth Form, Facilities, Governors, PTFA, VLE, and Contact Details. The main content area is titled "MGS VLE" and contains two images: a "Remote Access Portal" icon and a Moodle logo with the text "MGS VLE" underneath. A caption below the images reads: "Click on the Images to use the MGS VLE or Remote Access Portal."