



The Inaugural Dean Trust Debate

DTA Newsletter

Theme of the Week:

**British Values:
Democracy**

Friday 1st December

Safeguarding Tip: Always know the whereabouts of your child- ask them where they are going after school.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 7 exams commenced on Monday. The pupils have worked hard in preparation for these, with many pupils attending the revision sessions held in school. Year 8 and 9 pupils start their exams next week. Please encourage revision at home and remember pupils can come to library before school and after school where there are staff available to help.

Free porridge began on Tuesday with many pupils taking up the opportunity of a hot breakfast to help get them ready for the school day. Porridge is served from 7.30am until 8:15am and all pupils are welcome.

Year 9 Parent's Evening is being held on Thursday and I hope all Year 9 parents and carers will be able to attend. Please remind your child to make appointments so you can see all their teachers

The big debate held last week between DTA and Ashton on Mersey school was a great success, with DTA pupils coming in first and third place. We hope to compete in many more of these debates both across the Trust and with other schools in the area.

After the success of last month's coffee morning, we are holding another one on Friday 8th December, which I hope many of you will be able to attend. This is a great chance to meet other parents and staff from the school for a coffee and a chat.

Enjoy the rest of the articles in this week's edition.

Yours sincerely

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Year 7 News

Merit shop success: last week saw the opportunity for the Year 7s to trade in their hard earned merits gained across school for prizes and rewards. This was a great success. Pupils traded in merits for footballs, pens, even Manchester United goodies! Well done to everyone who waited so patiently to get into the shop and trade their merits. The shop will be open again soon, so please keep on delivering your best every day to secure many more rewards.

Also this week, Year 7s have been very successful in sitting their first set of tests at the school. They were impeccable in the way that they have conducted themselves throughout this week, and the build up to it revising really hard. Reports and results will be with you very soon.



Year 8 News

This week the Year 8s have been provided with their timetables in preparation for next week's test week. All revision materials have been provided to pupils and quizzes are available on Moodle to ensure all pupils have access to these resources. The Year 8 Anti-Bullying Ambassadors and School Buddies have been promoting their role around school by starting their lunchtime duties in the drop in room and around our school grounds. Pupils are welcome to visit the drop in room or speak with any of the ambassadors for help, advice and guidance.

Huge congratulations to MOSI this week for achieving the double awards for best attendance and best BfL grades in Year 8 last week! Mr Stroud and the pupils have been working extremely hard! Well deserved!

Keep up the great work everyone and GOOD LUCK with the final revision sessions before your tests!



Year 9 News

The Theme of the Week for this week has been Individual Liberty. Year 9 pupils have had the opportunity to reflect upon the importance of personal responsibility and the fact that rights come with responsibilities. As a school we promote these key British values and as the eldest pupils in the school the expectation is that Year 9 pupils will lead by example, and will model personal responsibility to Year 7 and Year 8 pupils. The inter-trust debate took place on Friday and a number of Year 9 pupils participated. The competition was strong and an independent panel of judges spoke highly of their contributions. Next week there are two key areas for focus in Year 9- punctuality week and parents evening. Please speak to your child about the importance of excellent punctuality to school, and ensure they arrive before 8.35am each day. I look forward to meeting you at parents evening where you will have the opportunity to speak to subject teachers about effort, progress and option choices.



The Inaugural Dean Trust Debate

The first Dean Trust debate took place on Friday 24 November, with six pupils (3 from DTA, 3 from AoM) taking part. Lucy Powell MP was one of the judges, along with Neill Harris and the Head of Graduate Recruitment from UK Fast. Each speaker presented a speech about the issue they felt was the most important for young people today, and then answered questions from the judges and the audience. All the speakers did brilliantly, as did Mumina Rahman, who hosted the event.

The DTA speakers were: Hanad, Sumaya and Nabeed.

It was a difficult decision for the judges, but Hanad was awarded first place, and Nabeed was third. Lucy Powell was incredibly impressed with the quality of all the speakers, and took to Twitter on Friday to congratulate us.



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MU Foundation Hub Tournament

On Friday 24th November, ten Manchester United Foundation Hub schools from across Greater Manchester took part in a football tournament at Dean Trust Ardwick. The event was ran by pupil leaders from the school and was inclusive of girls in year 9 and 10 who competed in a league style format between the hours of 10am and 12pm.

After a highly competitive morning of play, The Oldham Academy North were eventually crowned champions pipping Middleton Technology School to the title.

Those pupils from Dean Trust Ardwick who played and helped to run the event on the day were a credit to the school, showing fantastic hospitality, professionalism and sportsmanship.

Thank you and a huge well done to all the girls who took part. We hope they will return to Dean Trust Ardwick in the future to enjoy more MU Foundation events.



Physical Education

This week in P.E Dean Trust Ardwick have excelled in extra curricular activities. The Year 7 and 8 basketball team played two league matches during the week against Abraham Moss and Manchester Cooperative; they won both games! The Year 7 football team also beat St Peters 7-1, taking their first win of the season. Finally the year 9 football team comfortably won against King David 8-0. Well done to all teams who have played in the past week. In P.E lessons pupil are beginning to sit their theoretical test paper, therefore, we encourage pupils to revise using the material provided on Moodle to achieve top marks.



Humanities

Year 8 have had their debating hats on this week! We have had class discussions about whether or not factory conditions should have been improved during the industrial revolution. Well done to half of 8DA3 who were the successful victors against the other half! It is test week in Humanities this week; Year 7 are kicking it off with their Geography and History tests and next week will be the turn of Year 8 and Year 9. Remember that there are revision sessions in 104 on a Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime. We have had lots of excited conversations about the Royal Wedding this week and other famous royal weddings, did you know that the Queen's wedding cake was over 9 feet tall with 70 layers?



Finally, well done to our Stars of the Week;

Muhammad Ismael Hussain for excellent commitment to studies and attitude to classwork.

Ellie Thomas for consistently exceptional homework and attitude to learning.

Elita Harper for continued excellence in both History and Geography.

MFL

This week, Year 7 have begun their end of term MFL tests. These have consisted of a listening and speaking test. In order to revise, pupils have been encouraged to use 'word reference' in order to listen to the key words they have been learning so that they are able to hear and understand them in the listening test and pronounce them correctly in the speaking test. Also this week, Year 8 and 9 have been doing their listening tests and they will be doing their writing test next week. For pupils in Year 8 and 9, they should be looking through their work books and their vocabulary booklets and be prepared to write in all 3 tenses: past, present and future.

'Bonne Chance'



On Tuesday at lunch, pupils can go to "Linguascope Club" which is open to all year groups. This club is a great way for pupils to practice vocabulary they have learnt in lesson or even learn new words. If you want to come, don't forget to ask your MFL teacher for a "Linguascope Pass"!!!

Finally, this week's Stars of the Week are:

Year 9: Jun Shen – because of an excellent piece of writing

Year 8: Mohammed Harris Younis – Great contributions in lessons

Year 7: Oluwafeyiremi Adeyo – Outstanding effort in French and Spanish



STARS OF THE WEEK



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Year 7 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Victoria—142 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Rylands –99.6%

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Mohammed Arfatt	7T Picc	13
Minahil Arab	7D Palace	12
Kent Cai	7D Lowry	12
Yuhang Cai	7D Rylands	12
Angela Mozumder	7T Bridge	12

Stars of the Week

English	Kiera McKew
Maths	Kayleigh Barker
Science	Zahra Jami
Humanities	Muhammad Ismael
Technology	Isha Rashid
PE	Xanta Dunn
RE	Ramisa Alam
Art	Inmal Ishtiaq
MFL	Oluwafeyiremi
Computer Science	Muhammad Munawar
Performing Arts	Jennifer Atika

Year 8 Awards

Form of the Week Attendance

Bridgewater 100%

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Deansgate-161 Grade 1s

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Fatiha Hossain	8D MOSI	14
Ikram El Ouargui	8D Lowry	13
Morgan Noonan	8D Palace	13
Mahir Ali Khan	8D MOSI	11
Mouna Elenezi	8D MOSI	11

Stars of the Week

English	Abigail Nicholls
Maths	Yahya Ishaq
Science	Natasha Tanveer
Humanities	Ellie Thomas
Technology	Hazel Sibanda
PE	Atif Ahmed
RE	Renee Ellis
Art	Mariam Salawu
MFL	Mohammed Harris Younis
Computer Science	Imaan Kazmi
Performing Arts	Yusuf Gulzar

Year 9 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Bridgewater - 106 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Whitworth - 99%

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Neha Benny	9D Lowry	13
Illes Bognar	9D Lowry	12
Malaika Hussain	9D Lowry	10
Kashif Mehmood	9D Whit	10
Ahmad Abdullah	9D Whit	8

Stars of the Week

English	Mailikah Shahbaz
Maths	Neha Benny
Science	Tajion Williams
Humanities	Elita Harper
Technology	Ataya Ricketts
PE	Sabrina Adebajoh
RE	Joshua Chambers
Art	Naveedul Alam
MFL	Jun Shen
Computer Science	Nancy Appiah
Performing Arts	Sulaiman Ashiq

Whole School Attendance

97.6%