



DEAN TRUST Ardwick

NEWSLETTER

5th October 2018

Headteacher Message

We had an impressive turnout to Open Morning last Saturday, and we are delighted to hear so many parents will be making DTA their first choice. Thanks to all staff and pupils involved!

Exciting activities for Black History Month are well under way after interesting assemblies led by our Head Boy and Girl this week.

A proud moment for DTA pupils who represented the school as flagbearers at the Manchester United match on Tuesday whilst School Council and Debate Club have been debating important issues! Extra curricular activities are well under way and it is great to see so many involved. Enjoy our new look Newsletter.

With best wishes,

Ms S. Finlay



Ms S Finlay
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

11th October 4.00pm	Year 7 Parents' Welcome Evening
18th October	Year 10 Assessments
19th October 9.00 - 10.00am	Coffee Morning
22nd - 26th October	Half Term

Safeguarding Tip:

Every human being, of whatever origin, deserves respect.

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Year 7 News

It has been a positive week for Year 7 and we are going from strength to strength. Please can you check regularly that your child is ready to learn with a full pencil case, planner, reading book and PE kit when required.

Year 8 News

Last Year 8 were amazing at self-quizzing, this year's Year 8 must be even better! Please can you push your sons and daughters to do the same again this year.

Year 9 News

The highlight of the week was seeing our eight Year 9 pupils on the pitch as the flag bearers at Old Trafford for the Manchester United v Valencia game on Tuesday night. What a great once in a life-time experience that was!

Haider Ali-Muhammed

Huzayl Anwar

Kian Duffy

Nimo Ali

Aleem Busow-Miah

Mariea Mannan

Holly Annor

Sayed Subhani

Year 10 News

This week, Year 10 have all been provided with a revision folder which contains crucial revision resources for each qualification. In lessons, they have been learning how to use quizzing and flashcards effectively to support their learning at home. Next week students will be using concrete examples and mnemonics as a tool to retain key knowledge. Please continue to encourage them using these strategies at home.

Upcoming key dates for Year 10.

Week Beginning	Event
15 th October	First assessment in all subjects
5 th November	Revision timetables will begin and folders will be taken home
3 rd December	Mock exams begin

Theme of the Week

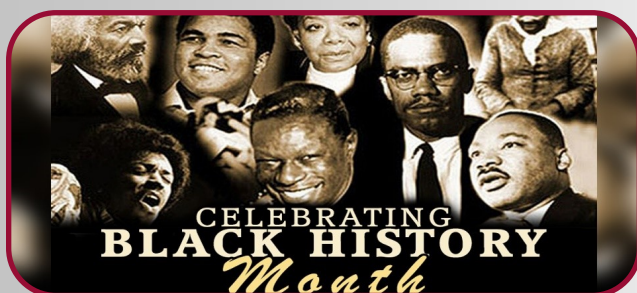
'Black History Month - What does Black History Month mean to us?'


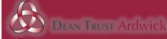
We have celebrated inspirational individuals in our assemblies this week. Mrs Rehman, Head boy Musa Manneh and Head girl Jun Shen led the assemblies.

We are also learning about inspirational individuals in our Humanities lessons where we will focus on British individuals such as William Cuffay, a former slave, who fought for universal suffrage and emerged as a leader of the Chartists.


Pupils have been given the opportunity to join the Black History film club every lunchtime this month with Mr Carey.

In addition to this there is a competition for pupils to create a 'My inspirational figure' fact file, which will be put in to a prize-draw.





My inspirational figure is...



My Name	Mr Allen
My inspiration is	Neil deGrasse Tyson
Date of Birth	5th October 1958
Place of birth	Manhattan, New York City
Nationality	American
Why they inspire me...	<p>Neil deGrasse Tyson is an American astrophysicist, author and science communicator. His job is to get the general public excited in things such as stellar formation and space travel! He easily achieves this with his infectious passion for everything to do with astrophysics and the Universe as a whole, often recalling looking up at the night sky as a child.</p> <p>He describes his time at high school as 'the most formative period' of his life and regularly attended extra clubs and courses offered by his school and college.</p> <p>In 2004 Neil deGrasse was awarded the NASA Distinguished Public Service Medal, the highest civilian honour bestowed by NASA and he has appeared on programmes such as the Simpsons and Futurama!</p> <p>Neil deGrasse Tyson dedicated his life to his passion and mastered his subject to a level of which he could make a living from it, inspiring himself and others</p>

Faculty News

English

It has been a wonderful week in the English faculty after our fabulous turnout for our 'Murder Mystery Fun' at open morning on Saturday. We have also been celebrating National Poetry Day! Years 7 and 8 have been exploring poetry produced in Manchester during the fascinating Industrial Revolution and learning about the language and dialect used that makes it so unique!

Mathematics

This week in mathematics 8T1 have been planning a Re-Teach lesson for their peers. Shihab and Nabeed successfully re-taught the class how to solve multi-step equations.



Science

This week in Science pupils across Key stage 3 and Key stage 4 have been working hard in lessons by undertaking tasks which have allowed them to demonstrate their knowledge of their first modules this academic year. Staff across the faculty are very impressed! Keep up the hard work.

Physical Education

Year 8 girls football have been standout performers this week winning 5 of their 6 games and drawing the other. Also, eight Year 9 pupils held the Champions League flags at Old Trafford with Manchester United vs. Valencia! Well done to all the pupils involved in extra-curricular this week.



Humanities

This week saw the Humanities team kick off a month of activities for Black History Month. Mrs Rehman has led assemblies for the every year group, with great help from the Head Boy and Head Girl, whilst Mr Carey has been hosting a well-attended Black History Month film club every lunchtime. Meanwhile the rest of the school has got into the spirit, with teachers choosing their inspirational black figures from history, and pupils entering a competition to advocate theirs.

Performing Arts

A huge WELL DONE to all our Year 7 pupils who have made a fantastic start to their performing arts lessons. The level of energy and enthusiasm in drama has been outstanding!

Food and Hospitality

A quiet week in the Hospitality and Catering kitchens as pupils have been learning about a range of topics in their theory lessons. Practical lessons begin again next week therefore please ensure your child has their ingredients weighed out and ready.

Year 7 - Flap Jack	Year 8 - Flavoured Bread Shapes	Year 9 - Cheese and Onion Pasties
75g Rolled Oats 25g Sugar 25g Margarine or Butter 15ml Golden Syrup 50g Chocolate Chips (optional)	50g of a dried ingredient of their choice e.g chocolate chips, dried fruit etc.	X1 Ready Rolled Puff Pastry X1 Diced Onion 100g Grated Cheese X1 Container

Design and Technology

This week in technology we have started our practical lessons, Year 7 have been learning to use coping saw to create a finger joint box. Year 8 have been focusing on their designs for the best of British cushion design. Year 9 have been researching iPod silhouettes design brief for their speaker project!

Art and Design

Art and Design have been overflowing with fantastic work, Key Stage 3 pupils have been looking at observational drawing skills and expanding them into a variety of materials. GCSE Art and design have been starting to develop their ideas from the starting point of Microscopic.



Modern Foreign Languages

Winners from last week's European Day of Languages interform competitions:

Year 7: Bridgewater

Year 8: Gaskell

Year 9: Palace

Year 10: Piccadilly

Maths Faculty and Humanities Faculty won for embracing teaching their subjects in a different language!



Extra Curricular News

Debate Club

The DTA Debate Club has started the year strongly, meeting each week to discuss important, topical issues. This week the motion was "This House would allow children to eat and drink whatever they want", and there were powerful, articulate arguments made on both sides based on civil liberties and public health.

Much Ado About Nothing - Rehearsals

Rehearsals for this year's school Shakespeare play have been stunning again this week! Well done to all of the amazingly talented actors, directors, choreographers and designers who are on course to make this our best show yet.



Running Club

Well done to all of the fantastic pupils who attend Running Club every Wednesday morning at 7.45am. The club is open to all staff and pupils, so it is not too late to get involved!



Awards

Year 7 & 8

Year 7 BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week Deansgate 123 Grade 1s	Year 7 Form of the Week Attendance Rylands 100%
Year 8 BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week Gaskell & Piccadilly 88 Grade 1s	Year 8 Form of the Week Attendance Victoria & Whitworth 100%
Year 9 BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week Pankhurst 97 Grade 1s	Year 9 Form of the Week Attendance MOSI & Lowry 99.2%
Year 10 BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week Bridgewater 30 Grade 1s	Year 10 Form of the Week Attendance Lowry 100%

Stars of the Week	
Years 7	
Subject	Full Name
English	Haleema Nazir
Maths	Ricardo Henry
Science	Hannan Akbar
Humanities	Muneeb Ur Rahman
Design & Technology	Abdul Rafay
Art	Manaf Annafi Amadu
Food and Nutrition	Kyle Baker
PE	Mohammad Khan
Languages	Yotham Abraham
Computer Science	Keavieou Duffy
Performing Arts	Ruben Debra
PSHE	Mariana Rato