



DEAN TRUST Ardwick

# NEWSLETTER

**Safeguarding Tip:** Your child may want to take part in an enrichment opportunity after school. Please discuss with them the plans for returning home once the club has finished.

16<sup>th</sup> November 2018



## Headteacher's Message

We had a great turn out to our Dean Trust Recruitment Day last Saturday, and we are very hopeful for some strong applications as we plan for our next year's intake when we shall become a full school. I am very proud to say we have a brilliant staff and we shall ensure that our next appointments will meet the same high standard.

Anti-bullying has been the focus of this week's assemblies. We take it extremely seriously and provide plenty of communication options for pupils such as our letter boxes around school, and our free text messaging service. We are a telling school and deal with issues promptly.

Read on to find out about the trip to London's Whitechapel and the amazing experience for pupils that ZooLab have brought to the school this week!

Year 10 parents should receive their reports next week and I hope these will form the basis of useful conversations at home.

Enjoy this week's newsletter.

With best wishes,

Ms S. Finlay



Ms. S Finlay  
Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary

29th November	Year 10 Parents Evening
30th November	Coffee Morning
3rd - 13th December	Year 10 Mock Exams
8th December	Year 9 Options Evening
14th December	INSET Day

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# Head of Year Updates

## Year 7 News

Year 7 pupils will be sitting a series of assessments to test their knowledge on current and recently learnt topics in their subjects, this week. Form Representatives have also brought their ideas forward for Fundraising Week, after consulting with their forms. This week has been Anti-bullying week and all pupils in school will be involved in form discussions following assemblies.



## Year 8 News

As you know the effects of bullying can have a massive impact on all individuals, whether that is at school, or socially. Dean Trust Ardwick take a stand against bullying and will deal with cases we are made aware of. Thank you to the Year 8 pupils who have provided goods to go towards the hampers which will be donated to Manchester Central Food Bank. Pupils can still continue to bring in their donations.

## Year 9 News

Year 9 pupils had their Year Council Meeting this week. Their main focus was fundraising and how pupil envisage the best way to raise funds and who they would like to raise money for. As always, all pupils involved had great ideas that our two representatives will take forward to the School Council meeting.

## Year 10 News

This week, the Year 10 students have taken their revision folders home which contain all revision strategies shared in the parent GCSE evening at the start of the year. Please encourage your child to talk you through their revision timetables and mock exam timetables.

## Theme of the Week

This years Anti-bullying week theme is about choosing **respect**. Mr Platt has delivered assemblies to all pupils based on the definition of bullying and the benefits of choosing respect. As a school we have a firm stance on bullying and this week pupils have been reminded of 'telling' a member of staff about any concerns or issues. This can be done through the free text service, speaking to the safeguarding team and through the safeguarding letterboxes on the wall outside PE and the safeguarding office. Pupils have again been issued with a free text service card with instructions of how to report any unwanted behaviour.

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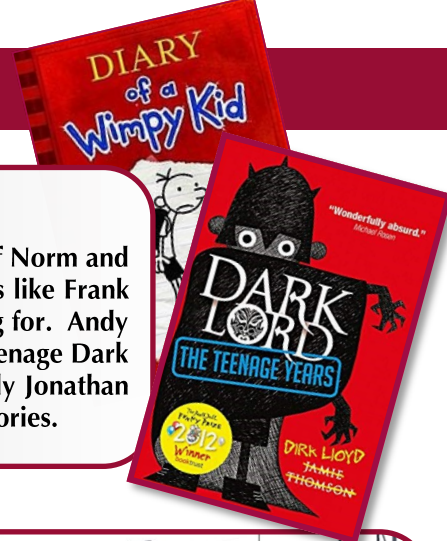
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# Faculty Updates

## English

The most popular books in the library are Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dork Diaries, World Of Norm and anything by Jacqueline Wilson and David Walliams. I would suggest seeking out authors like Frank Cottrell Boyce or David Walliams whose books will give you the humour you are looking for. Andy Stanton and Megan McDonald are also both very funny. Jamie Thomson's 'Diary of a Teenage Dark Lord' series uses the same diary format of Wimpy Kid with an superhero twist and lastly Jonathan Meres' World of Norm books use a similar mix of cartoons and text to tell silly but fun stories.



## Physical Education

This week in PE a group of Year 9 pupils have been working hard with the RFU All Schools Programme. These pupils are now qualified Rugby referee's allowing them to referee both in school and in the community. Well done to all the pupils involved. Similarly, well done to the Year 10 students that drew against Wright Robinson School 1-1 in a close football game.



## Humanities

We have had another exciting week in the Humanities faculty, with 'Zoo Lab' bringing an array of exotic animals for Year 9 pupils to see and hold. Year 9 have been learning about all the different biomes of the world, with a particular focus on the Tropical Rainforest and the Desert. Seeing these animals in the flesh and how they have adapted really brought the topic to life for pupils, with the corn snake and the hairy tarantula being a favourite. We look forward to seeing the pupils write about these in their classwork now.



## Modern Foreign Languages

In Year 7 pupils produced an impressive "Day of the Dead" research homework. It was fantastic to see a range of work from Calavera cakes and biscuits to posters and a model of an "Ofrenda."



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## Hospitality and Catering

Key Stage 3 have been busy making an array of baked goods. As always the standards have been very high with pupils producing beautifully made fruit crumbles and chocolate chip sponges.

## Design and Technology

Assessments have continued in Key Stage 3 as has the hard work with a variety of revision strategies. Well done!

## Art and Design

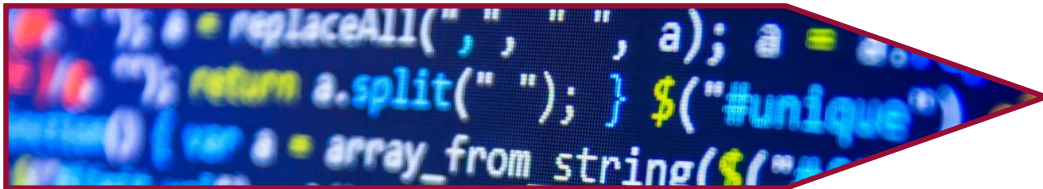
Etching has been a focus this week for Year 9. Pupils have created a variety of diverse, high quality work, looking at the British printmaker Jim Dine.



## Enterprise and Information Technology

The Young Enterprise Award is now accepting applications for those pupils interested in setting up and running their own Business. For those interested, speak with Mr Martin for more information.

The Code Club is up and running and more pupils are attending. It is open to all years, so come on down to G70 on Tuesday 3.00pm to 4.00pm.

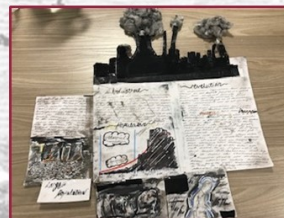


## Humanities trip to Whitechapel

As part of their Historical Environment study, a group of Year 10 students visited the Whitechapel area in London. The visit included a guided tour around Whitechapel to investigate the living and working conditions in the 19th century. This trip enabled students to see and hear what Whitechapel was like at the time; overcrowded, poor and polluted. This was an excellent opportunity for our Year 10 students to get an insight in to the area in preparation for their History exam.



## Headteacher's Commendation



### Humanities Homework on the Industrial Revolution

Amina, Angela and Isha, in Year 8, produced excellent posters for homework on the Industrial Revolution in Mr Whiting's class.





# Year 7 Stars of the Week

Subject	Name
English	Imaan
Mathematics	Taha
Science	Wahab
Humanities	Abdul
Design and Technology	Ferdous
Art and Design	Asma
Hospitality and Catering	Xiao
Physical Education	Tia
Modern Foreign	Imaan
Computer Science	Andreea
Performing Arts	Clesio
PSHE	Kyle

Top BfL 1 Grades	
Name	BfL Grade 1s
Iqra	23
Aaliyah	23
Antonia	23
Rafay	22
Rachel	21

## Form Awards

### Whole School Attendance

97.3%

**Year 7 BfL Grade 1  
Form of the Week**  
Lowry  
124 Grade 1s

**Year 7 Form of the Week**  
**Attendance**  
Gaskell  
99.2%

**Year 8 BfL Grade 1  
Form of the Week**  
Bridgewater  
105 Grade 1s

**Year 8 Form of the Week**  
**Attendance**  
Bridgewater  
100%

**Year 9 BfL Grade 1  
Form of the Week**  
Turing  
103 Grade 1s

**Year 9 Form of the Week**  
**Attendance**  
Palace  
99.6%

**Year 10 BfL Grade 1  
Form of the Week**  
Lowry  
36 Grade 1s

**Year 10 Form of the Week**  
**Attendance**  
Whitworth  
97.9%



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