

Thank you to everyone who came to our Fundraising Event on Friday 10th March.

We raised...

£1,168.54

In support of
WaterAid

Our Fundraising Grand Total!

Dear Parents and Carers,

All heads down this week for our Spring term tests. The library has been over spilling with pupils eagerly revising for their tests. We are so proud of the conscientious attitudes of our pupils who are so eager to do well.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our amazing Water Aid fundraising event last Friday. Read on to find our more.

Our Library is well under way now pupils are able to borrow books; they have almost emptied the shelves! We are excited about embarking pupils on the Accelerated Reader scheme, which starts soon, and we are confident this will help pupils progress in reading.

Please read on to find out what else we have been doing this week. Never a dull moment at Dean Trust Ardwick!

Enjoy a good read!

Yours sincerely



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DTA Newsletter

Theme of the Week:

Teaching and Learning

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Year 7 News

Year 7s have been working extremely hard this week during their end of half term tests. We look forward to seeing how hard their revision has paid off when the results are released next week.

The Year 7s were excellent in the fundraising fair and we can confirm that they have raised a fabulous £716 in just 45 minutes for water aid! A great achievement by all the Year 7 forms and their tutors. A special congratulation goes to Palace and Mr Hennessy who are the Year 7 fundraising champions!



Year 8 News

10 Year 8 pupils got the chance to take part in Parrs Wood High Schools inspiring women's day event. The event celebrated and recognised international women's day. Pupils listened to women sharing their personal successes in achieving their goals and chosen career pathways. Pupils learned how to apply the skills, which the speaker talked about. The event encouraged pupils to recognise their own individual talents and abilities.

"I have learnt that all girls should be extremely confident about themselves" **Aysha**

"Today was not what I expected. I realised that these incredible women were once ordinary but now they're extraordinary women who worked hard for what they wanted" **Neha**

"Today was a great experience and it motivated me to be the best" **Fathia**

"It has been an AMAZING experience. It was great to meet some successful women especially Amy who set a new world record and Stacy, a boxer" **Jun**



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Fundraising Fair

A HUGE 'thank you' to all who attended and supported our fantastic Fundraising Fair on Friday. It was a big success. Over 80 parents and carers attended. The Parent's English class food stall was very popular and raised over £180! The Year 8s had fun with stalls such as the photo booth, 'How many items of clothing can you put on in a minute?' and also selling cakes. The Year 7s organised 'beat the goalie', sweets and cakes stalls, 'guess how many sweets in the jar' and lots more games. The grand total is still being counted due to donations from staff and parents still being handed in! A particular thank you to Mr Qayum Fazle, who offered to match the donation of the grand total his son's form raised; we are very grateful. We will reveal which form raised the most money, and they will receive this term's Fundraising Champions Trophy. Thank you again for helping raise so much money for Water Aid.



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Debate Club

The DTA Debate Club continued its development with another fantastic debate this week leading on from our charity fundraising event last Friday. The motion was **“This House believes that charity begins at home”** and both sides argued passionately and articulately. Excitingly, we have also arranged a formal debate with Ashton-on-Mersey school, which will take place in the final week of term. Stay tuned to find out more.



Volleyball England

A coach from Volleyball England came into school this week and ran a volleyball session with pupils helping them develop their skills. The first session on Monday ran amazingly well, all pupils were fully engaged in the sport and eager to learn new skills and techniques with a professional coach. There are only a limited number of places in this club, so if pupils are interested in attending they need to see Mr Sheldon who will add their name to the clubs attendance list. Volleyball club runs every Monday from 3.15pm until 4.15pm and is an excellent opportunity for pupils to participate in a new exciting sport.



English

In English this week, both Year 7 and Year 8 have bravely faced the challenge of completing their first full English Literature test. This has included analysis of Shakespeare and an unseen poetry text. Following this, Year 7 have been taking full advantage of our activity studio to produce their own versions of Act 3 Scene 1 of Romeo and Juliet exploring the emotions and motivations of all characters within the climactic scene where romance turns to tragedy. Cries of “a plague on both your houses” have been heard from all.

Humanities

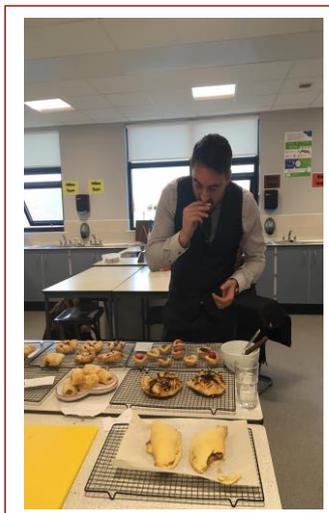
This week in Humanities Film Club we will be watching an interesting documentary entitled ‘Megacities’. There is currently a documentary available on BBC IPlayer about 1066, which shows all the action from one of the most important years in English history. This would be a great opportunity for pupils to enhance their subject knowledge.

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Technology: Bake Off

This week pupils were making pastry dishes, a sweet or savoury of their choice. In Bake Off tradition there was some tense moments with products not being cooked in time! Mr Worthington was our judge this week, he enjoyed everyone's work and was extremely impressed with the skill demonstrated. This week pupils will be participating in a Technical Challenge!



Physical Education

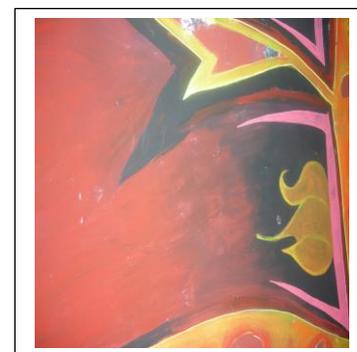
This week, the boys have been participating in tag rugby and basketball, whilst the girls were introduced to handball. Pupils have already shown talent in their new sports by transferring skills learnt in previous sports and applying them to new skills. We are expecting all pupils to make a great deal of progress in these sports. The year 8 boys football team were involved in a HUB tournament last Friday. Despite the team playing pupils a year older than themselves the pupils displayed a first class performance by not giving in, challenging constantly for the ball and applying movements practised in training. We were very proud of the team's efforts.



Art Lessons: Pupils have been working on their test this week, showing off key keys including tonal shading, mark making and form.

Art Club: We are getting closer with the DTA mural, it has taken hours of hard work and commitment from our pupils! We just need our finishing touches now!

Set Design: We have produced the quickest turn around this week with our set pieces. Here is a sneaky peak! Tickets are now on sale at £2.00 each they are available from Mr Tyrell, Mr Diaz, Ms Bostock and Miss Aulich. We look forward to seeing you there.



Year 7 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

BfL Form of the Week Winners:

Deansgate – 106 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Bridgewater and Gaskell – 100%

BfL Grade 1 Top Five Pupils of the Week

BfL Grade 1 winners are:

Madiha Safdar
Phina Ikpanwosa
Aja Raees
Aleem Busow-Miah
Amer Ullah

Year 8 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

BfL Form of the Week Winners:
Piccadilly – 91 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Lowry - 100%

BfL Grade 1 Top Pupils of the Week

BfL Grade 1 winners are:

Mia Deans
Malikah Shahbaz
Azaan Khan
Abdullah Lagha
Alishair Shah

Congratulations!

Whole School Attendance

This week's full school attendance is

96.6%

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