



**Our fabulous mural for Longsight Police Station!**

# DTA Newsletter

*Theme of the Week:*  
*Fundraising*  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

The highlight of the week has to be our 'Unveiling Ceremony' on Wednesday. As you can see from our main picture this week, several pupils have worked hard to produce a mural depicting our local community and it is this enormous painting that was presented to Longsight Police Station. Our local councillor Mavis Smitheman was also there together with parents and pupils who painted the mural. See more on Twitter and read on to find out more.

I shall also like to draw your attention to the article on the Rainbow Flag Award, which we are aiming to achieve as we press on with our commitment to promoting equality for every single person, nobody excepted. This is in line with our commitment to British Values. We look forward to staff, Parents and governors taking an active role in stamping out homophobia. We thank you in advance for your support on this initiative.

Enjoy a good read.

Yours sincerely

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## Theme of the Week

We are currently preparing for Fundraising Week (starting June 12th) where we will be raising money for the official charity for Key 103 Cash for Kids. The charity provides services and support for local children and families living with disabilities or in deprivation. Dean Trust Ardwick will be raising money by hosting a Superhero Day. We will be asking for family and friends to sponsor the pupils for taking part in a series of challenges: All the challenges could potentially break a world record; fastest 100m egg and spoon race, most socks put on one foot in under a minute, most cuddly toys thrown and caught blindfolded in under a minute, the farthest distance to blow a pea, the most m+ms eaten blindfolded with chopsticks in under a minute and the tallest right angled Lego tower built one handed under a minute. Pupils participating will receive points depending on how successful they are and the form with the most points will be awarded this term's Fundraising Champions trophy. We hope to have your support in raising money for this very worthy cause.



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## Year 7 News

This week it has been great to see so many new faces receiving the star of the week award from each subject. Next week sees the final week before our half term rewards afternoon for the form with the best BfL's and attendance! Remember you have to be in to win! Good luck to all forms! The Year 7s have been working extremely hard during assessment week this week. Let's hope all of their hard work and commitment to revision has paid off!



## Year 8 News

As you know it is Assessment Week this week and pupils have been studying extremely hard over the coming weeks in preparation for their half-term tests. I have been really impressed with the pupils' mature and committed attitude during this process and eagerly anticipate their results, as I am sure you are too.



## Mural Unveiling

Back in December we were asked to create a mural by GMP to represent our local community and the police. After months of hard work and perfecting our painting techniques we have the final result. The grand unveiling happened this week, we were delighted to have Superintendent Dave Pester and the community support team to join pupils and their parents and carers to celebrate the community and our artistic talents. All of our guests commented on the confidence and courteousness of our pupils. I am immensely proud of all the pupils involved. They were credit to the school, their parents and carers and to the wider community.



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## Chance, Choice, Consequence

During the remainder of the Summer Term DTA will be trialling a process of 'Chance, Choice and Consequence' linked to all aspects of behaviour and behaviour management. Behaviour is a choice, and pupils always have the opportunity to make the right choice in a situation. This has been communicated to pupils through assembly and through the school TV monitors. If a member of staff identifies that a pupil is at risk of choosing the wrong behaviours then they will be given a chance to improve and a choice to support them with their decision, before escalating to a consequence. The trial will be reviewed at the end of the Summer Term.

## Debate Club

Following the success of the last Big Debate, the DTA Debate Club will be discussing another important and topical issue next Friday (26 May). The motion this time is: ***"This House believes that it is as bad to be a bystander as a bully"***. The Debate Club is preparing hard, and looking forward to another well attended debate.



## The Rainbow Flag Award

At Dean Trust Ardwick, we are working with The Proud Trust and the Department for Education in order to achieve the Rainbow Flag Award. Staff, pupils, families and governors will all be a part of the process of achieving this award over the next academic year. We are dedicated in the promotion of equality for all and, as such, LGBT issues and awareness will be included across all curriculums in the school. The accreditation will be a symbol of the inclusive ethos we work hard to maintain as well as the attitude of acceptance of all humans regardless of sex, sexuality or gender that is expected of us all in Dean Trust Ardwick.



## Mathematics

The maths faculty have been so impressed to see so many pupils using MathsWatch to revise for their assessments this week! Miss Hessom even let her class use the iPads to access the website to revise during lesson! We have checked the statistics, the top 5 users in each year group are:

### Year 7

Oluwadruotimi 7T Gaskell  
Ruhale 7T Pankhurst  
Lana 7D Palace  
Yahya 7D MOSI  
Mouna 7T Pankhurst

### Year 8

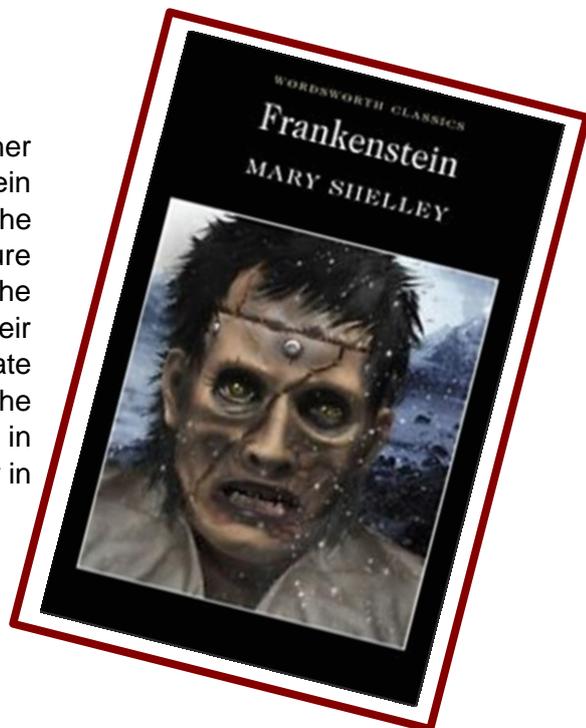
Ilyas 8D Rylands  
Ahmad 8D Whitworth  
Aliyan 8D Lowry  
Naveedul 8T Piccadilly  
Aysha 8D Whitworth

There is a prize for all of these pupils in Miss Reynolds room, G05. If anyone has forgotten their password or username, ask your teacher and we will be happy to help.



## English

Year 7 have all been debating who Mary Shelley wanted her readers to believe is the 'real monster' in her novel Frankenstein this week. The pupils have been very engaged by reading the events as told from the contrasting perspective of the Creature and have felt real empathy for what happens to him. All the English teachers have been really impressed with their sophisticated arguments and how well the pupils can articulate their ideas first orally, and then in writing. Of particular note, is the way some pupils are discussing the symbolism of the Creature in relation to what Shelley might be trying to say about the society in the 1800s. Well done Year 7!



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## MFL

### Year 7

#### ¿Qué hay en Manchester?

**COMPETITION: Merits for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.**

Year 7 pupils are challenged to create a leaflet about places to visit in Manchester as a tourist using recent vocabulary from lessons; your leaflet must be in Spanish and will be displayed in your MFL classroom. All entrants to hand in their leaflets to Mr Diaz, room 106, by **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May**. ¡Buena Suerte!

### Year 8

#### TIP OF THE WEEK

Learning vocabulary is difficult if you struggle with remembering words, right? Why don't you ask a friend to QUIZ you? It's simple, quick, easy and fun!



#### COMPETITION

**Merits for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place**

Can you remember all of Half Term 4's vocabulary for Spanish / French, **including** spelling? We challenge you to see your MFL Teacher by **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** and test your memory! ¡Buena Suerte!

## Humanities

In History this week: On May 20th 1932, Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly solo in an aircraft across the Atlantic. She departed from Newfoundland Canada, and successfully landed in Londonderry in Ireland. She covered 2026 miles in 13 hours! Unfortunately, her success was short lived; five years later, whilst trying to fly around the equator, Amelia and her plane disappeared. Historians have never discovered what happened or where the wreckage lies. Just one example of History being a total mystery.



## Technology

Over the past 3 weeks pupils have been working very hard on completing their research for the CAD CAM projects and are now ready to start designing! I know that everyone is looking forward for this to start as all pupils are bursting with creative and original designs.

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## Physical Education

Even though the weather has been awful this week pupils who have been doing P.E outside have continued to show a real drive to do their best in the sports they have been doing. Pupils in the boys and a girls group are demonstrating excellent standard in their sports, with many pupils showing a new sense of confidence within their new sport. We love to cover a wide range of sports at Dean Trust Ardwick so that every pupil has the opportunity to try something new and every pupil has the chance to shine in a sport they already participate in or one they develop in quickly.



## Performing Arts

**Auditions for End of Year Musical:** Mr Hennessy was extremely pleased with the amount of pupils auditioning of the End of Year Musical. He has witnessed some fantastic talent and a lot of courage from those who sang by themselves.

**Rehearsals are taking place every Tuesday and Thursday after school 3 - 4pm** and all pupils are still encouraged to attend to be part of this fantastic production.

For any pupils who are interested in helping Miss Aulich create items for the set they can attend **Set Design Club on Friday lunchtimes.**

**Recorder Club** is still taking place of a **Tuesday** after school (3-4pm) however, this is now with Miss Bostock. Pupils are currently rehearsing material for Awards Evening.

**Music Technology** Club is still available on **Wednesdays** after school 3-4pm however, please ensure you have spoken to Mr Hennessy to book your place.

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## Performing Arts Clubs Summer Term

Tuesday After School 3 - 4pm  
Musical Theatre Rehearsals  
(Acting & Singing)  
Preparing for Summer Performance!

Tuesday After School 3 - 4pm  
Recorder Club with Miss Bostock

Wednesday After School 3 - 4pm  
Music Technology and Keyboard Club  
Making your own tracks on iPads/iMacs  
(There are new spaces available please speak to Mr Hennessy)

Thursday After School 3 - 4pm  
Show Choir  
(Preparing for Summer Performance!)

*Matilda*

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## Year 7 Awards

### BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

BfL Form of the Week Winners:

Deansgate – 124 Grade 1s

### Form of the Week Attendance

Pankhurst – 99.6%

### BfL Grade 1 Top Five Pupils of the Week

BfL Grade 1 winners are:

Taezyah Coleman  
Zohaib Nasir  
Eman Shafi  
Renee Ellis  
Shakira Samms-Alcott

## Year 8 Awards

### BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

BfL Form of the Week Winners:  
Piccadilly – 95 Grade 1s

### BfL Grade 1 Top Pupils of the Week

BfL Grade 1 winners are:

Mia Deans  
Sikandar Muhammed  
Kamelija Klimasevskaya  
Alyza Shakoor  
Simon Pramod

### Form of the Week Attendance

Whitworth – 100%

**Congratulations!**

### Whole School Attendance

This week's full school attendance is

**96.4%**

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