



NEWSLETTER

Safeguarding Tip: Bullying, name calling, prejudice related behaviour is unacceptable in any environment. Please encourage your child to report it via the anonymous text service. **15th March 2019**



Year 8 Outward Bound residential trip to Aberdovey

Headteacher's Message

Thank you to those Year 8 parents and carers who attended Parents Evening on Thursday. We hope you found it useful. We look forward to seeing Year 7 parents next week.

Our main headlines this week include a very successful Outward Bound residential trip to Aberdovey where Year 8 pupils undertook some tough outdoor pursuits and developed their team building skills. They came back exhausted but invigorated and want to extend the experience to a whole week next time!

All year groups have the chance to become leaders and it is great to hear that the Year 7 Eco Team are beavering away with their responsibilities to help Keep Britain Tidy (and the school!) Currently the Year 9 Peer Mentors are supporting our Year 7 pupils.

It's very encouraging to hear that a large number of Year 10 students are attending the after school Study Base and Booster sessions. Well done to all, as their efforts will certainly pay off!

Read on to find out about a boy's visit to Twickenham as flag bearer for the Six Nations' Rugby match. What a proud moment for him!

With best wishes,

Ms S. Finlay



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Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

21st March	Year 7 Parents Evening
6th April	Easter Break
23rd April	Return to School
10th May	Coffee Morning

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Head of Year Updates

Year 7 News

Some exciting opportunities have been available to Year 7 pupils this week, from Humanities Film Club to Keeping Manchester Tidy Month with the Eco-Committee. At Dean Trust Ardwick we value the positive impact being part of an extra-curricular activity has on pupils both socially and academically. I appreciate your support in encouraging your child to be attend an extra-curricular club. The expectation is that they attend at least one club each half term.

Year 8 News

Well done to the 24 Year 8 pupils who attended the Outward Bounds residential in Aberdovey last week. Their behaviour and attitude was exemplary. Feedback from pupils was really positive in that they enjoyed the activities they took part in. They also identified how what they had achieved throughout the weekend would benefit them in their school and personal life.

Year 9 News

The Year 9 peer mentors are starting a new round of mentoring the Year 7 pupils starting from next week. This is a great opportunity for the pupils to demonstrate and improve their leadership skills whilst mentoring and guiding the younger pupils in the school. Good luck and congratulations to all involved.

Year 10 News

The study base and booster sessions are being well received by our Year 10 students. Please continue to encourage your sons and daughters to attend as they are making a real difference. Some of the Year 10 students will be taking external exams this year in some of the vocational subjects. Exam timetables will be issued for these exams as soon as possible; in the meantime, please encourage revision.

Year 10 Booster Sessions - Week Commencing 18th March 2019

Tuesday 19th March

Wednesday 20th March

Thursday 21st March

Design Technology

History

Creative iMedia

Topic: Moodboards

Teacher: Mr Martin

Theme of the Week

This week, our assemblies were led by Mr. Tyrrell, focusing on Article 12 and Article 29 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Article 12 states that all children have the right to have their voices heard in all decisions affecting them. Article 29 states that all children have the right to an education which develops their personality, talents and abilities. Mr. Tyrrell emphasised the importance of these rights in the lives of our pupils at Dean Trust Ardwick. He encouraged all pupils to have the courage to share their thoughts and feelings at appropriate moments. He also encouraged all pupils to have the confidence to grasp the many extra-curricular opportunities available to them.

**THEME
OF THE
WEEK**

Week Commencing
11th March 2019



**Rights Respecting
Schools**

**'What do our rights
mean for daily life at
Dean Trust Ardwick?'**



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Faculty Updates

Science

In STEM club this week, Pupils learnt the economics of coal mining as they bought a mine, purchased equipment, conducted operations, sold mined ore and attempted to reclaim the mined land. Pupils applied knowledge in all four fields of STEM that is Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths and were very excited to calculate the profits they made from a particular coal mine.



English

This week, the cast and crew of our last school play, *Much Ado About Nothing*, reunited for a fantastic awards ceremony. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the talents of the pupils! Looking to the future, a group of our Year 9 pupils are now working with Mr. Tyrrell to run Year 7 and 8 Drama Club every Tuesday after school. This represents the first step in discovering our stars of the future ahead of next year's Shakespeare play: *Hamlet*!



Physical Education

This week in Physical Education, one pupil had a fantastic opportunity to travel to Twickenham and watch the Six Nations game between England and Italy. Alex was selected to take part in the all-schools programme. As a reward for Alex's extra-curricular commitment to Rugby he was able to showcase the Rugby kit he helped to design and stand in front of 80,000 fans as a flag bearer before the game! What an amazing experience, well done Alex!



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Faculty Updates

Humanities

Pupils in humanities have been continuing to experience the wide variety of cultures across the world. With Year 10s study of Nigeria's role and culture in a globalised world culminating with a 'Nigeria Party', where the food and culture of Nigeria was celebrated. Whilst in Year 7, pupils have had the opportunity to watch films about Indian culture, including *Slumdog Millionaire*, where they have been able to see the huge wealth and poverty in India, and how they exist side by side.



Hospitality & Catering

Piping and presentation was the focus for Year 10 Hospitality and Catering pupils, they are worked very hard to present their brownies using a variety of ways.



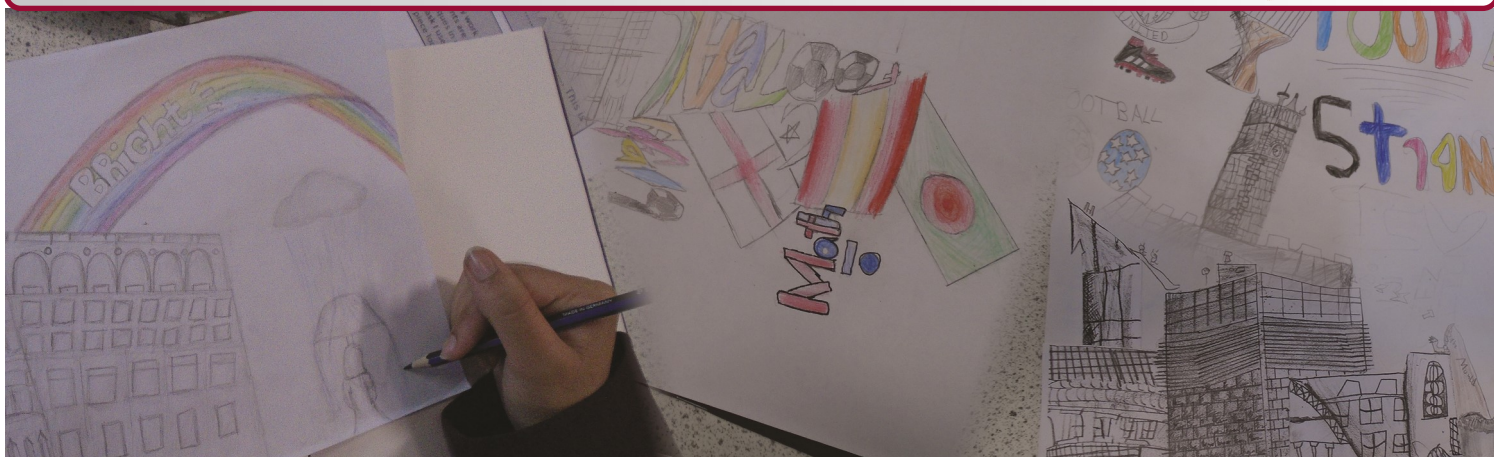
Design & Technology

Pupils have been busy starting their new projects based on a hand held maze game. They have been deconstructing the design brief to write detailed specifications.



Art & Design

Year 8 have made brilliant progress with improvements in their work and preparing their work to be transferred on to fabric.

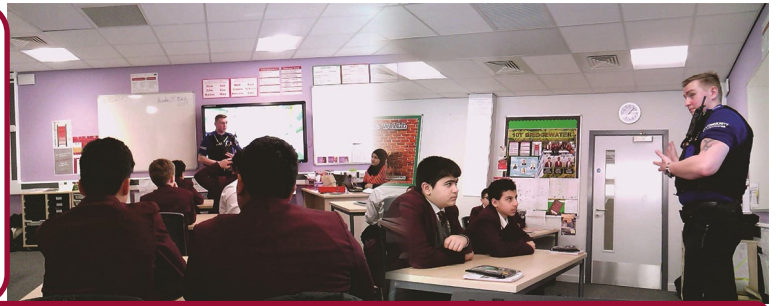


Modern Foreign Languages

Pupils continued learning Russian this week with Luc from University of Manchester, this time focusing on numbers. Pupils were able to recap greetings in Russian and were able to hold a conversation introducing themselves too. Next week is the last session so if you haven't had a chance to come yet, come along!

Citizenship

Year 8 have been studying youth crime in Citizenship this half term. Some classes were lucky enough to speak to PSCO Andy from Longsight Police station about his role in the community, how he got his job and examples of how he interacts with the young people in Ardwick.



Inclusion

Our pupils this week have begun to really excel in accelerated reader. This is a programme, where after completing every book pupils complete a quiz and earn points. Mrs Bond the librarian then turns these points into prizes at the end of the year. This system also totals up the amount of words read per pupil. We have one pupil this week who is up to 4,000 words. This is brilliant for those pupils who are seeing a real difference whilst reading for pleasure.



Whole School News

Year 8 Outward Bound Trip

Over the weekend, Mr. Tyrrell and Mrs. Rashford took a group of 24 Year 8 pupils to Aberdovey in North Wales on an Outward Bound adventure. The pupils waded up rivers, climbed mountains, abseiled down cliffs, and jumped into the sea, all whilst learning about self-belief, positivity and effective teamwork! It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved, and Mr. Tyrrell and Mrs. Rashford were extremely proud of the determination of the pupils.



'Next Move... Hospitality' - Manchester United Foundation

On Friday 8th March eight pupils from Years 9 and 10 took part in the 'Next Move... Hospitality' employability event in association with Manchester United Foundation. The pupils spent the morning taking part in activities which introduced them to the world of hospitality and highlighted the range of careers available within this industry. Well done to those who attended - you represented the school fantastically!

Coffee Morning - Careers

On Friday, we hosted another successful Coffee Morning. We hope that the session provided you with the information needed to open a discussion with your child about their future.



Year 10 - Booster Session Timetable

Week Beginning	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
18 th March	Design Technology	History	Creative iMedia Topic: Moodboards Teacher: Mr Martin
25 th March	Maths Topic: Fractions Foundation: Calculating with fractions Higher: Algebraic Fractions Teacher: Mrs Annan, Miss Taylor	Geography	Enterprise Topic: Breakeven point and margin of safety Teacher: Mr Martin
1 st April	English Topic: <i>Macbeth</i> and <i>A Christmas Carol</i> – Revision Teacher: Mr Shaw, Miss Horsley	Science Topic: Teacher: Miss Carter, Ms Begum	Sports Studies Topic: Popularity of Sports Teacher: Mr Fuller/Miss Murphy

Form Awards

Whole School Attendance 96.9%	
Year 8 Best Form Attendance	Year 8 Best Form BFL Grade 1s
Lowry 98.9%	Palace 187 BFL Grade 1s



The next session will take place on:
Tuesday 19th March, 3.30-4.30pm

HOW CAN I SUPPORT MY CHILD THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF SCHOOL AND HOME LIFE?

- Strategies for coping with high stake tests/assessments.
- Supporting your child with revision.
- Strategies for improving literacy and numeracy.
- Helping your child getting the most out of homework.
- Concerns about your child (progress, behaviour, attendance, bullying, mental health, well being).
- Communication links between home and school.
- Working as a partnership with other parents.
- Topics that you as parents want support with.