



NEWSLETTER

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first *Coffee Morning* of the year was a delight, with over 60 parents joining us! I trust that you found the morning informative and enjoyable. Thank you to all parents who attended and I hope to see you all at our next event, on the 13th December.

Achievement assemblies have been a focus this week with lots of pupils receiving certificates and rewards for their personal and academic excellence this term. Well done to all who received an award!

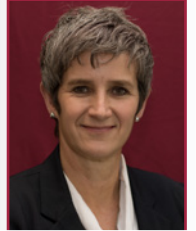
I was incredibly proud to present a *Headteacher's Commendation* to the pupils who helped run the *Extra-curricular Fayre* last week. All pupils involved demonstrated strong initiative and responsibility whilst promoting the extra-curricular clubs that they represented. Many of the pupils that I spoke to had noticed an increase in numbers taking part in their clubs.

Read on to discover how Year 9 are investigating the environmental effects of palm oil...

I wish you all an enjoyable half term break and I look forward to seeing you on the 4th November.

Enjoy this week's news,

Ms S. Finlay



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Headteacher

Safeguarding Tip: Please remember: We are a cashless school. Your child does not need money in school.

Dates for your Diary

4 th November 2019	Return to school
11 th November 2019	Remembrance Day
12 th November 2019	Year 9 Assessments start

An overwhelming turn out to our first Coffee Morning of the year. Thank you!



Head of Year Updates

Year 7 News

Year 7 have their first celebration assembly! Pupils are nominated by staff for subject awards and forms are awarded prizes for behaviour and attendance, with one pupil nominated for the Head of Year Award. Please join me in congratulating all Year 7 pupils for making a fantastic start at Dean Trust Ardwick.

Year 8 News

Year 8 will be reflecting on their individual performance throughout half term 1. Pupils set a personalised target for improvement and development during the next half term. On Thursday morning we celebrated the achievements of pupils throughout our year with lots of certificates and fantastic prizes! Enjoy your half term break!

Year 9 News

Well done to 9T Gaskell for winning the attendance league and 9T Bridgewater for coming top in the BfL 1 League this half term. A big congratulations to pupils who received certificates and prizes this wee! During our achievement assembly we also presented the Year 9 *School Council* with their badges. I look forward to working with this pro-active team to discuss and raise awareness about school and community wide issues.



Year 10 News

Please join me in congratulating Neringa and Joy for the attaining the most BfL1 Grade 1s and achievement points respectively. Jazmine won the *Head of Year Resilience Award* for her outstanding contribution as a prefect. The form awards were won by Turing for the most BfL Grade 1s and Deansgate for the best attendance. Well done to all the pupils who won a prize!

Year 11 News

Congratulations to all Year 11 winners of half term awards. Year 11 have worked very hard, ensuring they achieve their personal and academic best this half term. Congratulations to Rylands and Victoria form groups who were overall winners in both the BfL and attendance leagues. Also, well done to Hakiem who was this term's winner of the *Head of Year Award* for his resilience and effort towards his coursework this term. An amazing achievement, well done!

Weekly Attendance

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
97.9%	98.5%	100%	99.2%	100%

Best Form	Best Form	Best Form	Best Form	Best Form
7D Lowry	8T Victoria	9D Lowry	10T Piccadilly & 10T Victoria	11T Bridgewater & 11D Lowry

School Attendance = 97.4%

English: Accelerated Reader Report!

We are coming to the end of a very busy, but productive, eight weeks this Friday. Congratulations to the following Year 7 pupils that have been engaged and focused on their new *Accelerated Reader Programme* this half term. These are fantastic results! On behalf of all the English Faculty, have a lovely half term, rest and pick up a read!



**Word Count Report
October 2019**



7D2



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Ali	180,013 words
Ashley	73,725 words
Abdelatif	58,779 words
Zara	49,639 words
Romayo	42,310 words

Abdirizak	179,459 words
Ibrahim	86,625 words
Hafsa	73,053 words
Maria	66,497 words
Sami	64,766 words

Mathematics

A special congratulations to our stars of the term! Aleenah (Year 7), Maxime (Year 8), Jarso (Year 9), AJ (Year 10) and Sabrina (Year 11). Keep it going! Well done to all those who have been boosting their maths knowledge by attending our extra-curricular clubs. Aaron has been particularly impressive in the Maths Kahoot club, and its great to see some of the probability skills, we have learnt about, being used to make some great tactical moves in Yahtzee!

Q1 Describe these lines.

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0 Answers

- perpendicular
- parallel
- obtuse
- intersecting

Science

Year 11 have been learning about radioactive decay and the half life of radioactive atoms. They used skittles to model the radioactive nuclei.



Hospitality and Catering: Delicious treats!

Year 10 pupils have been set the challenge of their first 'own cook' last week, they were challenged with the task of researching their own cake based recipe using the skills they have learnt over half term 1. All pupils demonstrated excellent time management and were very independent utilising the homework they completed. Well done to all pupils!



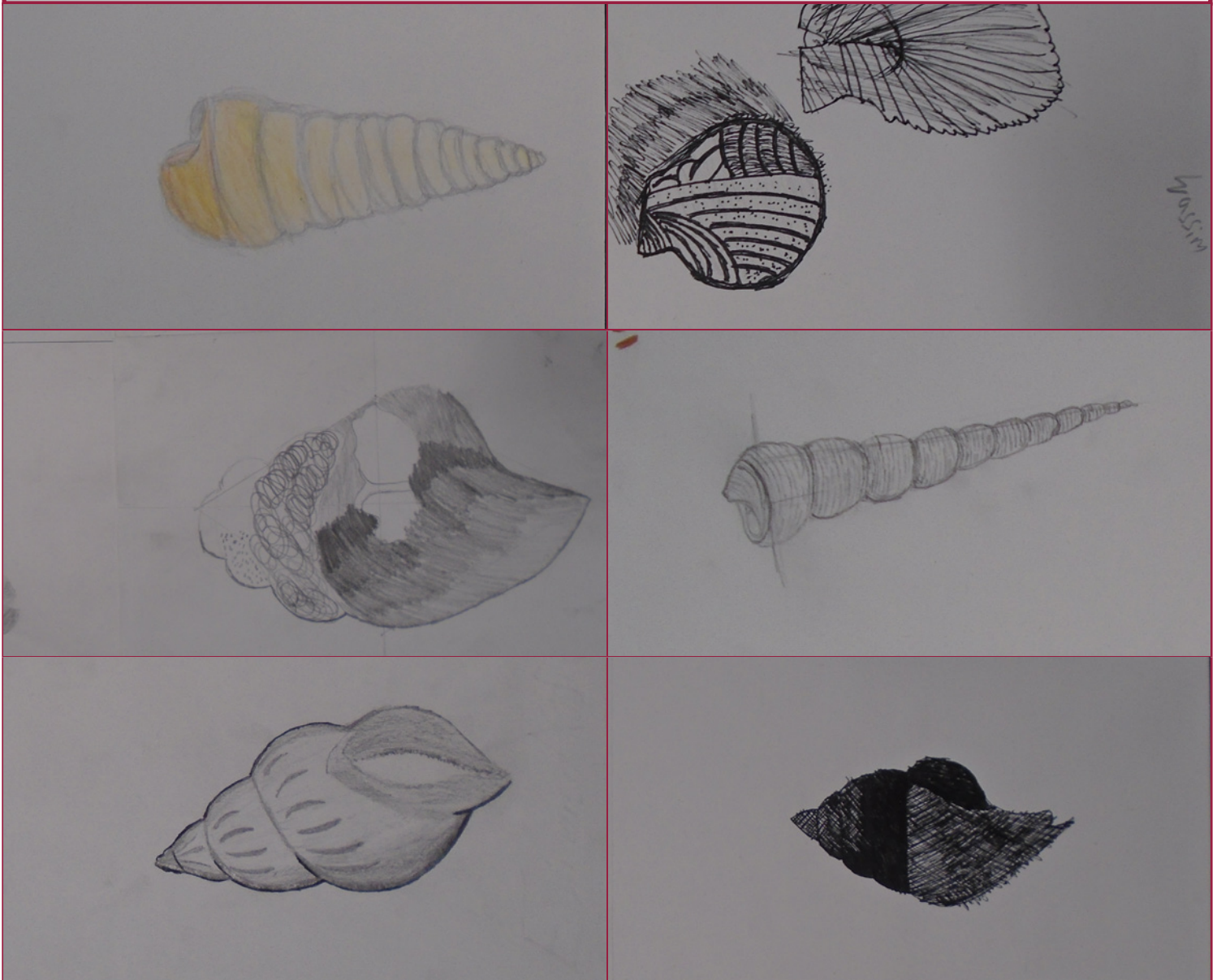
Physical Education

This week we have been consolidating the skills we have been practicing in lessons with inter-form competitions. Pupils worked brilliantly as a team, communicating together in the competition. Also, this week Mr Buckley led a successful Primary School Tournament. Sports Leaders were fantastic in their organisation and delivery within the tournament. Well done to all those involved.



Art and Design

We have been celebrating our progress from the first half term this week through mounting and presenting our work from across Key Stage 3! Below are some stunning examples of Year 8 shell drawings.



Humanities: Palm oil comes at a price...

Year 9 are certainly showing their eco credentials this week in Humanities. They have been studying how palm oil (which can be found in most supermarket products, even shampoo!) is causing widespread deforestation in the world's rainforests. This is particularly the case in Malaysia, with huge areas of rainforest chopped down for palm trees. To highlight this, they have produced some amazing posters about palm oil and how we should save the rainforest.

PALMOIL

Environmentalists argue that this burning of all palm trees is extremely bad for the planet and the environment, causing down palm oil trees causes deforestation for agriculture.

Forests are burnt down to clear land areas where people can grow oil palms - even if it's illegal.

They grow naturally in the rainforest areas but are also being planted and farmed especially to produce more palm oil.

Palm oil production is said to have been responsible for about 37% of the world's deforestation between 1990 and 2008.

Palm oil is made from the fruits of trees called 'african oil palms'. The trees originally came from west and south Africa, but were introduced to Indonesia & Malaysia in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Deforestation is when forests and trees are cut down to clear the land for other uses such as farming and agriculture.

Palm oil is in 50% of what you buy on a regular basis you use it to brush, shower, and make more palm oil. However, causes deforestation. Palm oil is used in pizza, toothpaste and all sorts of other things.

Save Rainforest; Save Life

80% Of Malaysian Borneo's rainforests destroyed by logging

Malaysia have lost **19200** sq/km of its forest cover

89% Of the world's palm oil is produced from Malaysia.

Deforestation have caused almost all rare specie in Malaysia to be endangered or even extinct

Animals have lost habitat due to deforestation.

It's time to stand against Deforestation and save mother Earth

Stop deforestation, stop death Save our planet! Planting rainforest!

Save the MALAYSIA RAINFOREST

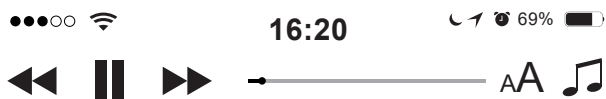
THE FORESTS ARE UNDER A HUGE THREAT!

HOWEVER...

DON'T FORGET

Music: *You walk past a homeless man and you don't care.*

Year 9 Music have been studying Rap this half term, looking at the history of the vocal skill, different genres, rhythm and timing. Pupils have worked towards a group performance using their own lyrics. The pupils have chosen their own topics such as war, climate change, racism and islamophobia; reflecting a mature and sensitive insight to the world around them. These lyrics were written by Tariq and Nuur in 9D3.



Tariq and Nuur
It's not too late to make a change.

You walk past a homeless man and you don't care,
Just some change that you can spare,
You walk past him like he isn't there.

The Government don't even care,
They're too busy trying to declare,
Brexit here and Brexit there.

Life is full of happiness but also pain,
Some days are sunny, some days have rain,
Yes, he made mistakes but he isn't to blame.

It's not too late to make a change.



Extra-curricular Fayre

As you will have read in last week's newsletter, we recently held an extra-curricular fayre. The pupils above were involved in the organisation and running of the event. They did a wonderful job collecting resources and representing their subject areas. All of the pupils involved have received a Headteacher's Commendation in recognition of their efforts. Well done!

Inclusion

This week in *Bluebell Group*, we made pizzas! Each pupil followed a recipe and put their own choice of toppings on. The pupils have created good relationships within the group and often ask questions to each other about their lives outside of school. One discussion topic was who cooks their dinner at home.

When the pizzas came out of the oven some pupils decided to take them home. However, some pupils ate theirs straight away as the temptation was too much They looked delicious!

