



# NEWSLETTER

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Key Stage 4 pupils are making their final preparations this week as mock exams start on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> November. It has been fantastic to see so many pupils taking full advantage of the additional revision sessions taking place after school. We wish all of our Key Stage 4 pupils the best of luck and eagerly anticipate the results of all their hard work.

Please join me in congratulating Year 10 pupils Haider-Ali and Billie for their incredible achievement this week. Both pupils have been accepted for a position on the *Greater Manchester Young Local Organising Committee!* Read on to find out how Haider-Ali and Billie will be involved in high profile sporting events taking place next year.

We are holding our next *Coffee Morning* on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019, with the theme 'Health and Wellbeing'. These events are always a huge success and provide you with an opportunity to discuss school life with myself and other members of staff. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Continue reading to discover how Rihan in Year 7 went above and beyond for his science project on animal cells!

Enjoy this week's news,

Ms S. Finlay



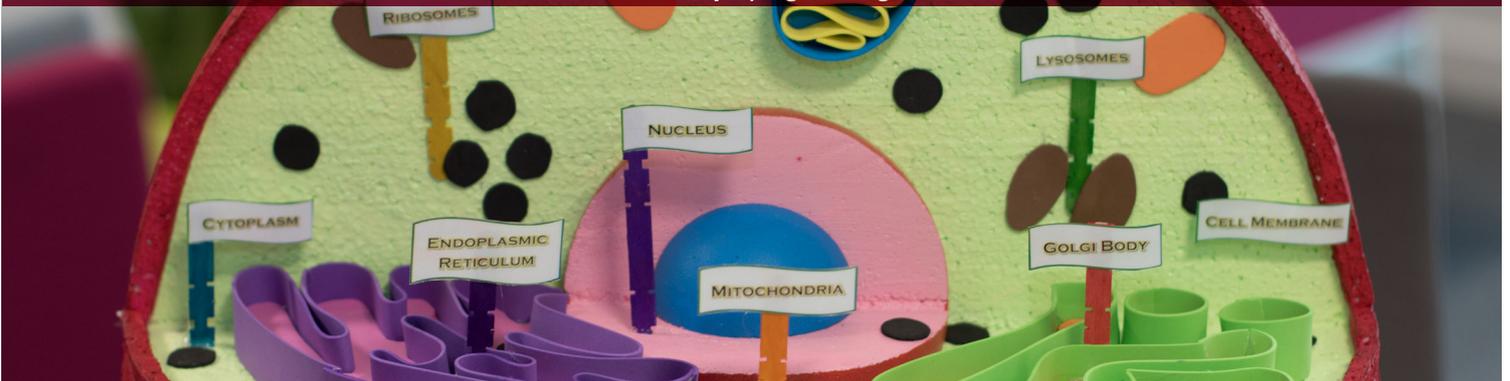
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**Safeguarding Tip:** Please role model safe behaviour when crossing Stockport Road. Only cross while the lights are on red, and stay on the red strip in the road.

## Dates for your Diary

25 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Key Stage 4 mocks start
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Year 10 Parents' Evening
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Coffee Morning

Rihan, Year 7: An incredible model displaying the organelles within an animal cell!



## Weekly Attendance Best Forms

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7T Bridgewater	8D Deansgate	9D Rylands	10D MOSI	11T Piccadilly
100%	100%	100%	99.5%	100%

**School Attendance = 97.3 %**

## Head of Year Updates

### Year 7 News

Thank you for your continuous support in ensuring your child is ready for the school day. Year 7 will be sitting their first secondary school assessments this week. It is vital that pupils take the necessary breaks between revision to prevent overwhelming themselves. If your child is struggling during this period, please direct them to speak to either their form tutor or class teacher. Homework is vital in the revision process and support is available every day in the library, after school.

### Year 8 News

Year 8 attendance was 97.5% last week! The best in the school! Year 8 assessments took place this week and the results will allow us to assess the academic progress of Year 8 pupils so far this year. Year 8 have displayed an excellent attitude towards assessments and I am confident that this will stand us in good stead for examinations in the future! Keep up the good work Year 8!

### Year 9 News

Well done too 9T Gaskell, 9T Victoria and 9D Whitworth who all achieved 100% attendance and 9D Deansgate who achieved the highest BfL grade 1s last week! Year 9 peer mentors attended their first *Peer Mentoring Network* training at the *Co-op Academy Manchester*. They had the opportunity to work with other peer mentors from different schools. Our peer mentors will receive full training around support, confidentiality, child protection and how to deal with difficult situations. The training sessions will continue to run throughout this academic year.

### Year 10 News

Last week two of our Year 10 pupils interviewed for a position on the *Greater Manchester Young Local Organising Committee* - a select group of just ten sports leaders who represent the young persons' sporting voice in Greater Manchester. After putting an enormous amount of time and effort into their sports leader responsibilities over the last two academic years, I am delighted to say that both Haider-Ali and Billie were successful in their applications. This means that they will be responsible for organising three high profile sporting events in Greater Manchester next year: the *March 2020 Winter Primary School Games*, *June 2020 Summer Primary School Games* and *June 2020 Secondary School Games*. An enormous well done to both pupils!



### Year 11 News

Year 11 pupils have received extra workbooks to aid in revision and preparation for their upcoming mock exams. Form tutors are working with pupils to develop character traits that are fundamental to success. Martin Luther King and Bill Gates are amongst the examples of influential people used to inspire pupils. Good luck to Year 11 in their exams!

### Anti-bullying: Change starts with us!

This week, in form time and assemblies, pupils reflected on who's responsibility it was to help stop bullying and how small changes in their decision making could make a big difference to helping someone. Pupils were asked to think about being the best version of themselves to make optimal decisions. Pupils were then challenged to think about what who's responsibility it was to tackle bullying and how they could help to stop it.

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#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

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11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> November

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Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

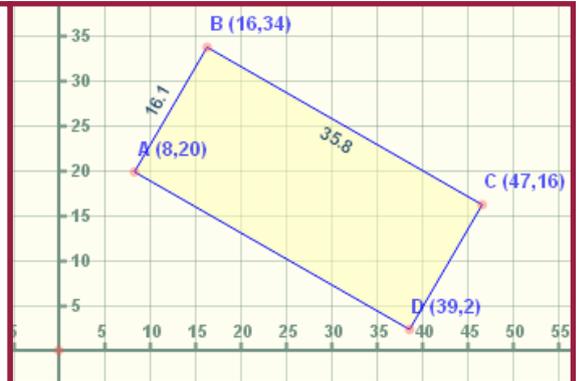
## English: Debate Club!

Recently in Debate Club we have been researching topics related to animal welfare in preparation for the RSPCA Great Debate, which will be taking place in March. This week pupils found out information about e-collars for dogs and whether an NHS for animals would be a good idea.



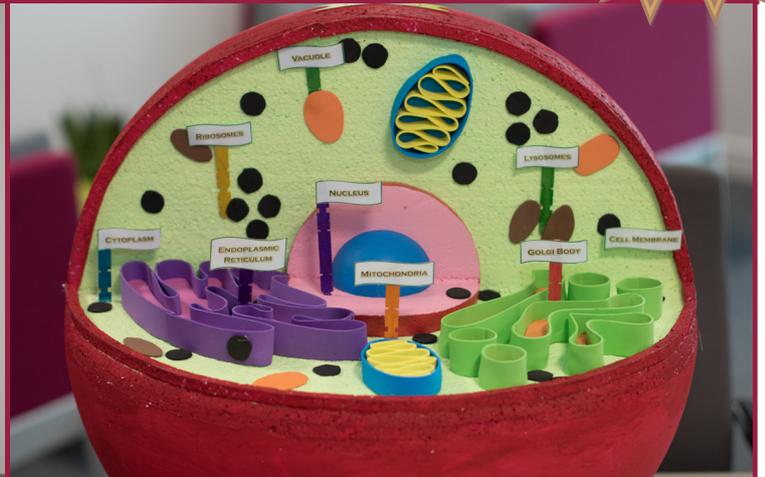
## Mathematics

In maths this week many of the year 10s have taken a real step up with their work on co-ordinate geometry. This can be a particularly challenging topic as it relies on having good core algebra and number skills as well as being able to visualise and sketch diagrams from complex questions. They are thriving! This is really promising as not only is it a key part of their GCSE course, but those who go on to study maths beyond GCSE will take this even further!



## Science: 'An Animal Cell' - Headteacher's Commendation!

Rihan in Year 7, from Mr Hurst's class, produced this wonderful model of a cell this week. A true demonstration of Rihan's self-motivation and aspiration to do well in science! The model displays all of the organelles present in animal cells with information on each one. For his creativity and outstanding effort, Rihan received a Headteacher's Commendation!



## Physical Education

Congratulations to the Year 7 Rugby Team whom were excellent in their *Megafest Tournament* last week. The pupils won 2 out of 3 games, showing brilliant resilience throughout in their first formal and full contact competition! Also, well done to the Year 9 Netball team beating MHA 18-4. We continue to encourage pupils to attend rugby club each Tuesday, especially with the upcoming tournaments across all year groups.

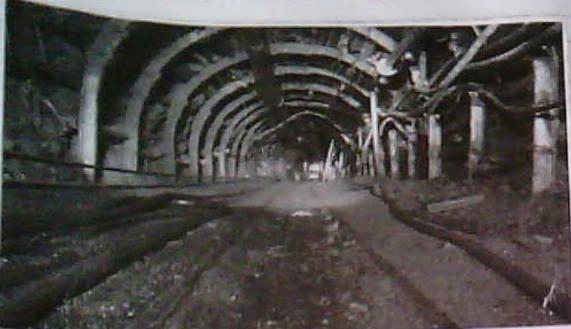


Year 9 Girls' Netball Team

## Humanities: Industrial Revolution

Year 8 are beginning to study the Industrial Revolution and have done so with great enthusiasm! Qizmat, Azeez and Zareena have completely exceeded expectations by producing entire newsletters with detailed information and annotated pictures for homework. This was fantastic work and Qizmat and Zareena have done themselves proud!

### Coal miner workers



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Newsies (Nickname for newspaper boys) sold newspaper in the big cities. They were usually homeless orphan boys, who had no other way to make money. Newsies weren't hired employees. They ran their own business. Each morning they would get up and buy newspapers. They then would find a good corner with lots of traffic and sell the papers for profit. Hopefully they could sell all the paper, if they don't, they might actually lose money.

### FACTS:

Get payed £50 - £60 per newspaper.

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### Industrial Revolution

#### Newsletter Boys

During the industrial revolution it was common for children to work full time jobs. This was before there were laws against child labour. Children often worked long hours each week for little pay. Some of these jobs were dangerous causing children to be injured or even killed while working.

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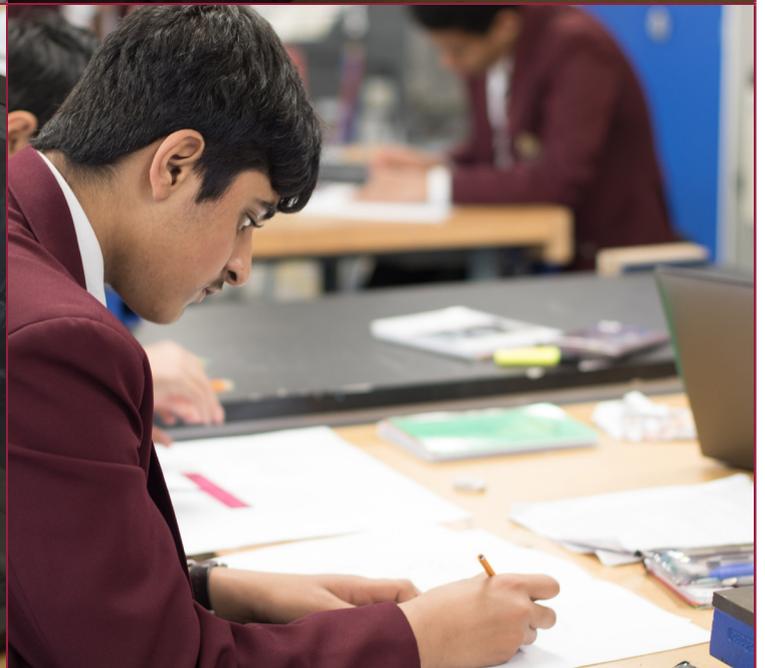


Paperboys in the industrial revolution.



## Design and Technology: Year 11 hard at work!

Year 11 pupils have been working hard to develop their design ideas; concentrating particularly on their sketching styles, annotation and key links to their research of various contextual challenges.



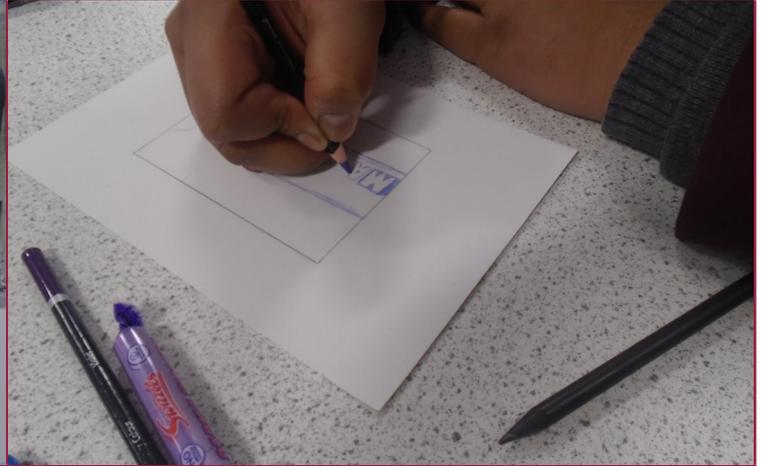
## Hospitality and Catering:

Further skill development has been the focus for Year 11 pupils. They have conducted further research and gathered recipes to test and increase the challenge of the practical outcomes they are producing. We had a variety of different dishes being produced from meringue pavlovas to spicy chicken, all the work produced was completed to a high quality and tasted delicious!



## Art and Design: Still life in Autumn...

Year have been working on some stunning typography examples, looking at directional colour blending and technical typography.



## Modern Foreign Languages

Did you know that we have a wide selection of French and Spanish books in the library? Make sure you have a look at the amazing resources available to help you improve your languages. There are also French and Spanish magazines available to borrow from Mr Stroud! Pop up to room 212 after school to browse and borrow.

