



DEAN TRUST Ardwick

NEWSLETTER

Half Term 6

18th June 2021

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you very much for ensuring your child has arrived to school for 8.30 am this week, now we have returned to the usual school day times. We have had only a small handful of lates which is very pleasing.

This week pupils have enjoyed their new spaces on the yard as everyone takes break at the same time, yet separated in their year bubbles. We are now able to increase our hot meals provision as our new dining hall is equipped to serve pupils hot lunches. We also have an additional food pod outside so nobody has to wait long for food any more.

Read on to find out more about the drama company school today to support pupils' mental health and well-being.

You will be aware we have had to send some pupils home to self-isolate due to being contacts for positive COVID cases, so please may I again urge you to ensure your child takes regular lateral flow tests at home; keep them home if it is positive, get a PCR test, and let us know immediately. There is a rise in cases in Manchester and it is affecting all schools, so please support us to help keep your child safe from infection at home.

Please note it is staff Inset day on Thursday 25th June.

Enjoy your weekend.

Stay cool and safe!

Ms S. Finlay



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Headteacher



Dairy Dates

KS4 Assessments Start	21 st June 2021
Y8 HPV Immunisation	21 st - 22 nd June 2021
INSET Day	25 th June 2021
Fundraising Week	28 th June 2021



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Believe Achieve Succeed



Year 7 - Mrs Rashford *Year 7 behaviour was fantastic during their assessments.*

Last week saw pupils completing their assessments. Year 7 experienced sitting their core exams in the same way as Year 11 have during their GCSE exams. This allowed Key Stage 3 pupils to practice the process of assessments so that they are ready and in good routines for their Key Stage 4 exams. The behaviour and attitude of all Year 7 was exemplary – even with the warm weather and the wearing of masks. The results of these assessments will be shared with you in due course. If you would like to discuss this with me, please book an appointment once you have your child's results.

We are in the last half term and academic year. Please can I ask for your continued support in ensuring that pupils have the correct uniform and are always fully equipped with the correct resources so their learning is not impacted.



Year 8 - Mr Diaz *Year 8 HPV immunisations take place next week.*

This week Year 8 have begun to sit their End of Year examinations, their conduct has been very good and their first experience of exam conditions was positive. Please encourage your child to spend some time at home revising for their exams. This week they have completed their English, mathematics and science; however, all other subject will also conduct exams during lesson time. Year 8 HPV immunisations are also taking place next week. This is for all Year 8 pupils as they will either receive their second HPV vaccination or their first if they have missed this. If your child has not yet taken a consent form, please ask them to see Mr Moxam as soon as possible.



Year 9 - Mr Chetwyn *We are very busy preparing for our transition into Year 10.*

It has been really refreshing to see so many Year 9s committing to the end of year exam process this week! So many pupils have displayed some excellent skills and habits that will prepare them for the two years ahead, and we have seen lots of pupils striving to achieve their very best! We want to harness that energy moving forward into Year 10 as we start our transition work in lessons, completing higher level work, and catch-up, in preparation for starting those GCSEs! Let's keep the positivity going Year 9!



Year 10 - Mr Hull *Good attendance is vital when applying for further education!*

We are now effectively Year 11 as we enter our final year of secondary education. The importance of punctuality has never been greater – we are now aiming to be at school before 8:30am, as form starts at 8:35am and form tutors are working tirelessly to prepare and distribute resources to help pupils organise and structure their revision effectively, as well as passing vital information for the day. Furthermore, an impressive attendance and punctuality record shows colleges and future employers that we are reliable, consistent and able to organise ourselves. On a sadder note, the number of pupils testing positive for COVID-19 and also those requiring to self-isolate has, unfortunately, increased. Please remember the importance of regular handwashing and sanitising, as well as wearing a plain face mask and maintaining social distancing at all possible times. Work hard, be kind.



Year 11 - Mr Smith *We are very sad to announce that our end of year prom has been cancelled.*

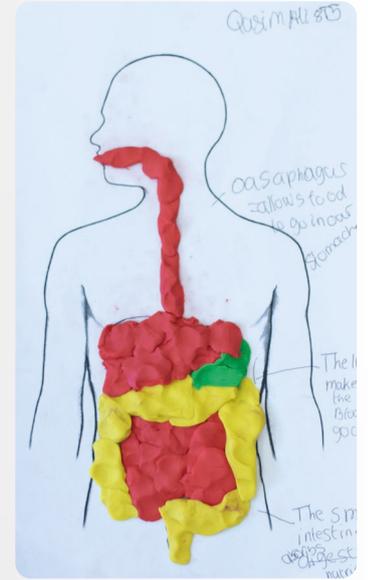
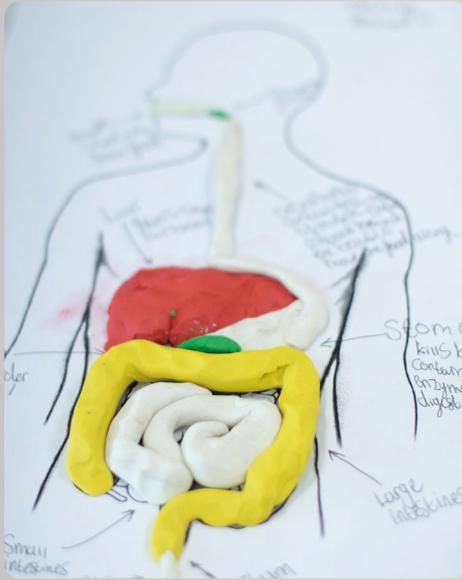
It is with a heavy heart that we have to announce the Prom has been cancelled. I am sure you will have seen in the news that COVID restrictions have been extended to July the 19th at the earliest, this has extended the period that large indoor events are unable to take place. Unfortunately, the Midland Hotel has no availability for the first two weeks after Monday 19th July and aren't taking any new bookings until they have confirmation from the government. I know you will all be gutted by this news as we are as staff. Regarding refunds for the event; if you have paid by parent pay it will be automatically refunded. If you paid by 'Pay-Point' please can you email your name, sort code and account number to headofyear11@deantrustardwick.co.uk



Science

Year 8 digest new knowledge!

This week 8d/Sc5 were learning about digestion and made plasticine models showing the key parts of the digestive system, from the mouth to the large intestine. The models were very colourful, and you can clearly see the different parts of the body involved in digestion.



Mathematics

Pupils continue to strive for 100%!

The below pupils have shown a hunger to obtain academic excellence. They have persisted with their studies to gain 100% in a quiz designed to test their knowledge of current mathematics topics. They really do want to become the best mathematician they can be!

8T1	
Azka	100% 1
Malaak	100% 1
Maryam	100% 1
Risal	100% 1

8T2	
Nicole	100% 1
Ayesha	100% 1
Zubedha	100% 1
Muhammed	100% 1
Jillo	100% 1

9T4	
Irfan	100% 1

10D2	
Feyi	100% 1
Ismail	100% 1
Tasnia	100% 1
Sara	100% 1
Hassan	100% 1
Alana	100% 1
Junaid	100% 1
Hamid	100% 1
Hamid	100% 1
Mehroun	100% 3
Ali	100% 1

10T5	
Aisha	100% 1
Yahya	100% 1
Elongliken	100% 1
Mahem	100% 1

Hospitality and Catering

Year 10 pupils make tasty bruschetta!

This week in hospitality and catering, Year 10 pupils have been working hard in the kitchens to develop their food presentation skills. They spent their lesson making bruschetta, a starter dish from Italy consisting of grilled bread rubbed with garlic and topped with tomatoes, red onion, olive oil and pepper. Pupils created the dish from scratch and spent their time experimenting with their food arrangement, plate selection and visual presentation skills which produced some fabulous results. Pupils then enjoyed having the opportunity to complete a taste test of their dishes to see if they tasted as good as they looked!



OddArts Performance - Mental Health

A spiralling COVID drama...

The OddArts UK team were in today to perform a fantastic, interactive mental health play. The talented speakers and actors captured our pupils' attention and delivered incredible lessons on how to deal with mental health issues. Pupils had the opportunity to get involved with the play and we were incredibly proud of their suggestions on how to cope with difficulty situations. Thank you to the OddArts team for this wonderful experience!



Banned Items in School

A strategy to promote positive wellbeing.

This week we are continuing with our full school bag searches as previously communicated as an early intervention and prevention strategy for anti-social behaviour and to promote positive wellbeing. As you can see from the image, we still have pupils bringing in sugary drinks and snacks which are not a healthy breakfast. They do not make a suitable snack during the day as they will spike blood-sugar levels and lead to a lull which can impact on mental health. Also, we have mentioned previously about pupils not bringing paracetamol or any medication into school within their bags. All medication for ongoing illness has to be taken by a parent to reception and consent forms need to be signed.

Please encourage your child to choose healthy habits for breakfast and not stop at the shop on route to buy sugary snacks. These will be confiscated.



Lunch time basketball

Giving pupils the space to blow off steam.

During lunchtime today, pupils were invited to play basketball in our sports hall. The turnout was fantastic and the entire room was buzzing with excitement. We hope that pupils enjoyed this opportunity to release some energy.





**GREATER MANCHESTER
FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

Chief Fire Officer: Dave Russel
Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue
Service

18 June 2021

As we are now in the summer term and the weather is improving, people are naturally drawn to our outdoor spaces. Many of these outdoor spaces have sites of open water which do not benefit from the professional supervision we may enjoy at beaches.

Many sites do have safety warnings and advise people not to enter the water, but as we know in hotter weather, people are inclined to ignore these signs. In recent years this has resulted in several deaths within the open water sites of Greater Manchester, some of those being young people.

GMFRS Crews have seen a rise in young people using open water sites in the past couple of weeks and we want to ensure that safety messages are communicated to them in order to give them the information to keep themselves safe.

GMFRS produces a range of safety advice for the summer period, I am sure you are familiar with our annual Safe4Summer campaign.

GMFRS works in partnership with all ten Local Authorities, GMP and United Utilities to provide advice and guidance to keep our communities safe when they are around sites of open water.

In 2020 a dedicated Water Safety campaign was launched; a similar campaign will be launched very soon for 2021 and a range of safety messages will be included in this campaign.

Further water safety advice can be found using the below link.

[Water safety - Greater Manchester Fire Rescue Service](#)



10 WAYS TO DO YOUR 10 DAYS

CHECKLIST FOR SELF-ISOLATING SAFELY

Help for people self-isolating

Keeping yourself away from other people when you could be infectious is the most effective way of stopping coronavirus.

If you're told to self-isolate, it's important to do so immediately and for the full 10 days. You shouldn't leave home for any reason.

You're not alone if you find doing this hard. Planning ahead, even before you have been told to self-isolate, can make things easier.

For more help and support with self-isolating please visit manchester.gov.uk/coronavirus or phone **0800 234 6123** 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday.



1. Know your 10 days

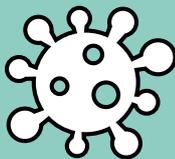
Stay at home, away from other people immediately for 10 full days. Count your 10 days using the NHS Covid-19 app.



During this time you also need to try and reduce the chances of spreading any infection to the people you live with.

2. Tell your work

Ask your employer about working from home or any sick leave or special leave options.



You might otherwise be able to get Statutory Sick Pay, a £500 Test and Trace Support Payment or other financial help, including if you're self-employed.

3. Plan your money

Check you have money to buy what you need and pay your rent and bills. Call the companies and explain your situation if not.



4. Arrange food, medicines & essentials

Ask friends and family to safely drop-off anything you need. Many shops and pharmacies can help with deliveries too.



Your local community hub can also help – via SMS on **07860 022 876**.

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5. Continue your children's education

If someone in your household has coronavirus or symptoms, any children you live with must also self-isolate. Contact their school to ask for work to do at home and any free school meals to be delivered.

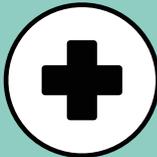


If only you are self-isolating, your children should attend school as normal – but you will need to ask someone else to do the school run for you.

6. Get care for anyone who depends on you

If you're a carer, ask friends or family to provide the care while you are self-isolating.

If no-one else can safely take this on, a local mutual aid group could help.



7. Protect your mental health

Create a routine, keep busy, stay active, and speak to friends online or by phone. For silent, confidential, 24/7 mental health support, text **SHOUT** to **85258**.



8. Keep moving at home

Staying active will boost your physical and mental health. Get 30 minutes a day without leaving home.



9. Look after your pets

Check you have enough pet food and supplies. If required, ask someone else to care for your animal(s) while you are self-isolating. You shouldn't leave your home to walk your dog.



10. Get any other help you need

As well as your local community hub, NHS volunteer responders could help with all sorts of everyday tasks while you're self-isolating.



To find out more call **0808 196 3646** to arrange support for yourself or someone you know (8am to 8pm, 7 days a week).

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