



NEWSLETTER

21st March 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

Year 11 pupils are deeply immersed in preparing for the school's first ever public examinations following two years of Teacher Assessed Grades for previous Year 11 pupils. They will now be receiving their Trust mock results and already, and looking at the data, it is heartening to see a positive difference since the first sitting.

I set myself the task in my final term of meeting every Year 11 pupil to discuss their preparations for their summer examinations, and it has been a delight and privilege to have 1-1 and small group conversations with all 240 pupils. Our school phrase 'If it's to be, it's up to me' is now hopefully firmly embedded in their minds as they utilise their remaining time effectively in and out of school!

With now only two weeks to go until the end of term and my departure, I am really looking forward to delivering my final assemblies with each year group next week where I can share with them a few 'golden nuggets' from my career journey, which will hopefully inspire them as they continue their own journeys, and of course to wish them all the very best for their futures.

Please do come along to Coffee Morning next Friday 25th at 9am, where I can say goodbye to you too, and enjoy some lovely refreshments together. I would love to see you there.

Enjoy a good read. As ever, I am very proud of our weekly achievement

With best wishes,

Ms S. Finlay



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Headteacher

Safeguarding Tip: If your child has any worries or concerns, please encourage them to talk to a member of staff at school. Our Welfare Team are here to help.

Diary Dates

Oxford University Outreach Trip	21 st – 23 rd March
Year 10 Reports Home	25 th March
Coffee Morning	25 th March
School Closes for Easter	31 st March
Inset Day	1 st April
School Reopens	19 th April



Head of Year Messages



Year 7 – Mrs Rashford *Year 7 have received a free book!*

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended the online parents evening. I hope that you found the evening informative. This week, pupils have continued with their character development in form time, discussing issues and learning about womens' rights and ableism. It is wonderful to see pupils engaging in discussions during form time. Each Year 7 pupil has also received a free copy of Marcus Rashford's second book! Parents/carers will also be in receipt of a data capture letter, please complete the forms and update your details where necessary. Information will also soon be sent out about the COVID vaccines on the 25th March.



Year 8 – Mr Smith *Year 8 have had some great sporting achievements!*

Last week a number of the Year 8 pupils were involved in extra curricular fixtures in both football and netball. The girls netball team beat Co-op North 3-1. They have had an excellent season so far and are near the top of their league! The boys football team attended an 'Emerging Talent' tournament organised by Manchester United at The Cliff training ground. They finished 3rd in the tournament and demonstrated a high level of desire and commitment. Both of these fixtures are an accumulation of many hours of hard work which the pupils gain from the weekly training they attend. We encourage all pupils to attend extracurricular clubs as we know how beneficial they are for physical and mental well-being.



Year 9 – Mr Diaz *The Year 9 end of year trip has been announced!*

Recently a number of pupils have been invited to participate in pupil voice surveys and their attitudes, maturity and mindfulness shone brightly. We take pupil voice seriously to ensure pupils feel they have the right environment in order to thrive as citizens of the world. This week, Year 9 have received an exciting announcement about the end of year trip! All pupils are eligible to attend and parents/carers will soon receive a letter regarding this trip with more information and a consent form. This week parents/carers will also be in receipt of a data capture letter, please complete the forms and update your details where necessary. Lastly, pupils, parents/carers will soon receive information with regards to the COVID vaccines on the 25th March.



Year 10 – Mr Chetwyn *Good luck to those going on the Oxford trip!*

It has been great to see so many Year 10 pupils working hard and sharing outstanding achievements! This week in assembly we discussed the current crisis in Ukraine, which hopefully provided us all with a greatly level of clarity and understanding regarding what is happening and why. If any pupils feel that they need to discuss any concerns, please remember that every member of staff has an open door. In times like these, we all rely heavily on family for support, and here DTA that is no different. I would also like to wish the 14 Year 10 pupils that will be attending a 3 day trip to Oxford University next week good luck! It is going to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience!



Year 11 – Mr Hull *Year 11 are making use of a variety of revision resources!*

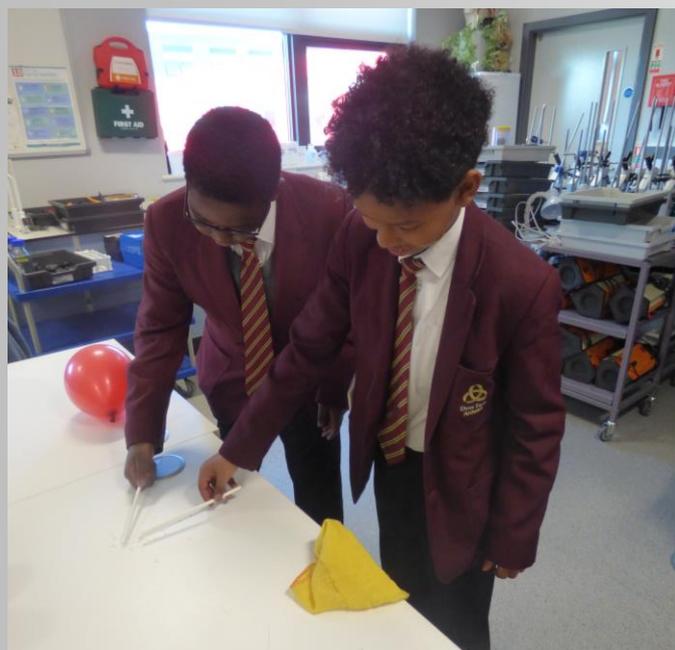
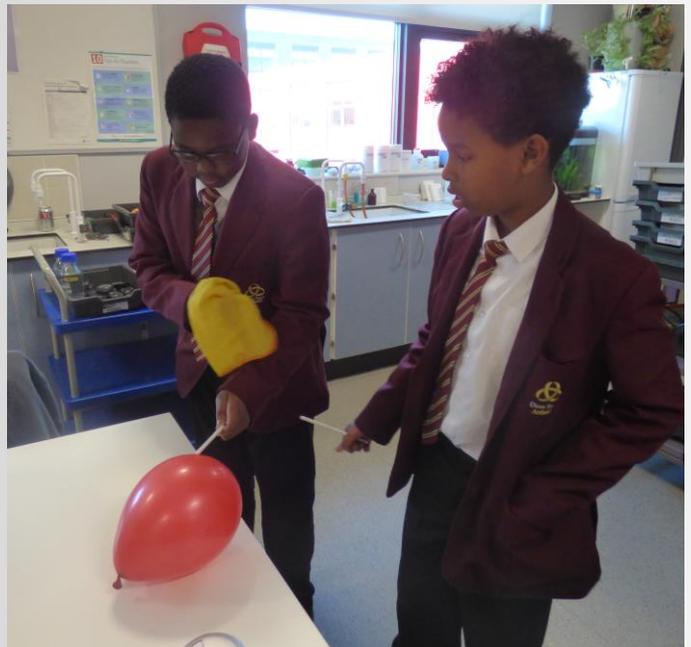
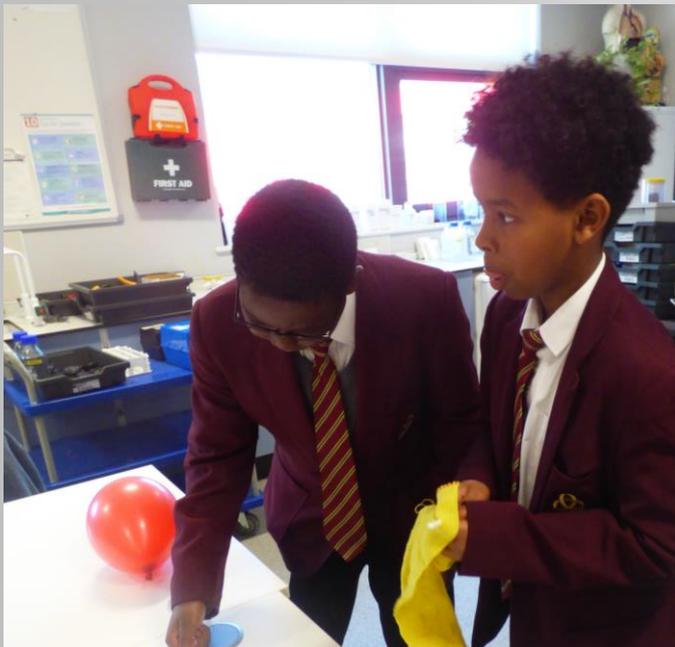
This week we launched the mentoring programme with several of our pupils, giving them access to inspirational young people who can advise on the challenges they are likely to face in the coming months. This is an initiative in conjunction with The Prince's Trust and will be a huge source of support. It has been brilliant to see pupils making use of the online revision site, the revision café (run by Ms Williams and Ms Ribbands), as well as attending booster sessions. Every little part of revision helps, and pupils should be preparing themselves for the next few months using the tips and skills they've been shown in form time. We are really eager to offer effective and useful support to all our pupils and if you have any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr Mullally at headofyear11@deantrustardwick.co.uk.



Science

Pupils in Year 7 learned all about electricity!

This week, Year 7 pupils learned about electricity in their science lessons. Pupils used balloons and plastic sticks in an experiment about static electricity. When a balloon is rubbed on hair or woollen material, this causes the electrons to move from the hair/wool to the balloon. Electrons are negatively charged and, therefore, the balloon gains a negative charge. The balloon's negative charges are now attracted to the positive charges in other objects e.g. the plastic stick. This means that, upon contact, the two items stick together and the balloon can be lifted by the stick. Similarly, the stick can lift the small pieces of paper as shown in the below photos. Well done to our Year 7 pupils who showed a genuine interest in this experiment and carried it out with maturity and care.



First Aid Training

Year 11 pupils have attended first aid training!

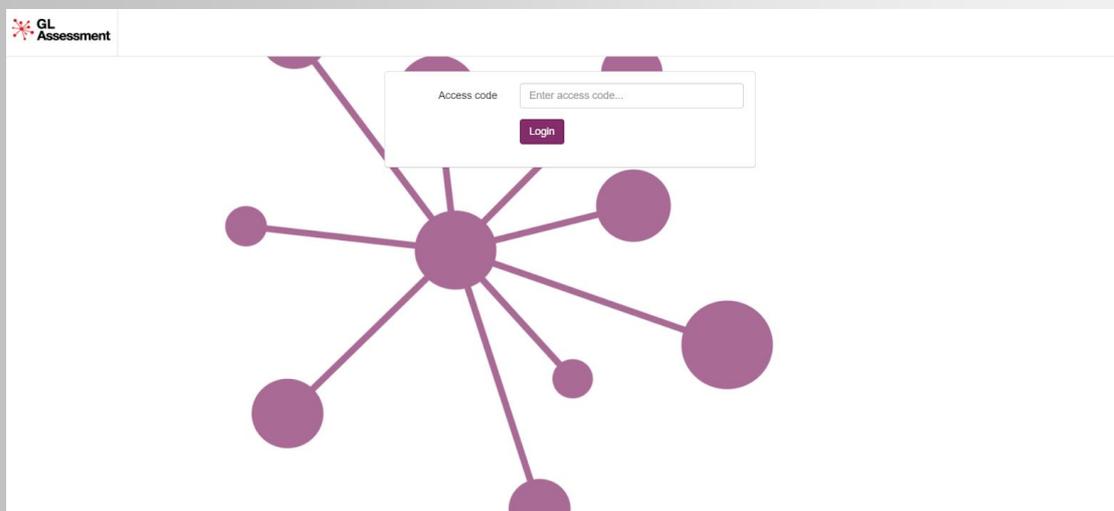
Year 11s have been learning essential first aid skills. This half term they have covered primary assessments of an emergency situation, the DRS ABC, CPR and how to deal with severe bleedings and shock. The pupils have shown themselves to be mature and capable in a resuscitation situation by practising on the CPR manikins. If you would like to learn more about first aid and medical emergencies, download the British Red Cross app which has individual sessions and quizzes that has the information to potentially save a life.



English

KS3 pupils have completed their reading tests.

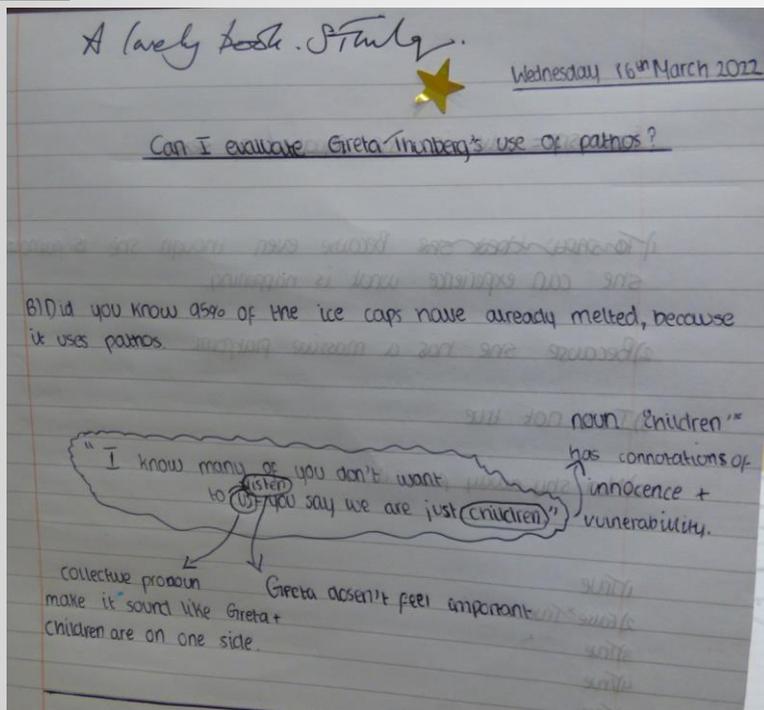
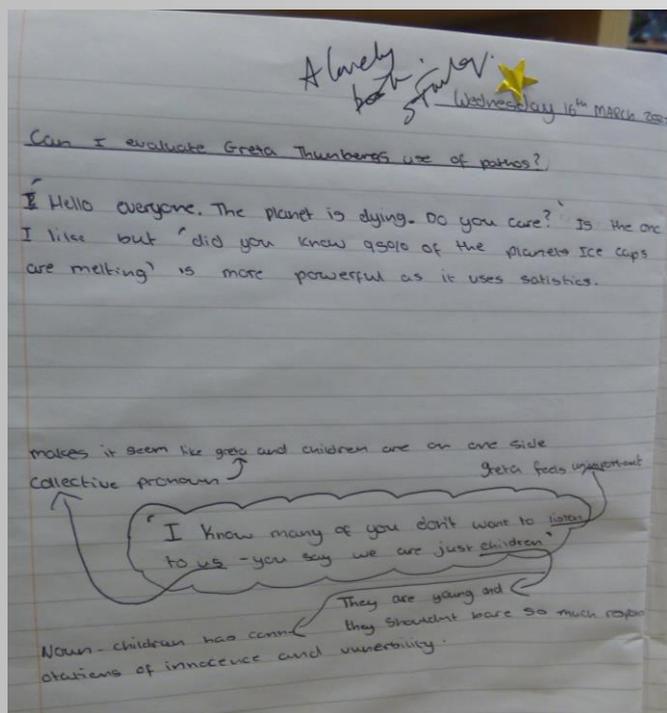
KS3 Over the last three weeks, KS3 pupils have been taking their Testwise reading tests in the Library. These readings tests are to be taken three times a year so that we can track pupils' reading ages. The tests take a whole lesson and require a lot of concentration, and our pupils have taken them very seriously. Thank you to all KS3 pupils for their hard work and focus when it comes to this test. Thank you, too, to our English teachers who have helped supervise the reading tests.



English

Well done 8T1 for your neat books!

Well done to pupils in 8T1 who have received the most amount of gold stars from Ms. Finlay for their beautifully presented books! Pupils in Miss Power's English class were given praise from Ms. Finlay for their neat books and hard work. It is really important for pupils to keep their books tidy and organised as this ensures that their learning is complete and that their books are easy to navigate when it comes to revision. Well done to Joy, Emmanuela and Shalon for the gold stars you can see in the pictures below. Keep up this good work across all your subjects!



Global Recycling Day

Dean Trust Ardwick continues to work hard to protect the environment!

On the 18th March it was Global Recycling Day. At school, we have lots of different initiatives to contribute to a clean environment. Our Eco Committee is on duty at break and lunch when they maintain the cleanliness of the school by using litter pickers in our indoor and outdoor areas. We also have our 'Green Space' development which has been created in partnership with Manchester Urban Diggers (MUD). With help from the Art and Technology faculties, we have been able to raise funds to continue the development of this space so that we can plan for further projects to serve the environment in our local community. Furthermore, our recent bottle cap collection competition was a great success. We cannot wait to see the mural that is created out of all of the recycled bottle caps!





Macclesfield FC BTEC Academy

We are celebrating the successes of our former pupils!

Pupils from last years cohort are doing very well at Macclesfield FC whilst also completing their BTEC qualification. We are very proud and love to hear about the successes of our former pupils!

MANCHESTER TRIALS

MACCLESFIELD FC BTEC ACADEMY

Have a first class EDUCATION

Represent Macclesfield at U17/U18/U19

Play and train at the best FACILITIES

TRAVEL BURSARYS AVAILABLE

HAVE YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES TO JOIN OUR BTEC PROGRAMME?

LOCATION

THE ARMITAGE SPORTS CENTRE
Moseley Rd, Fallowfield, M14 6PA

FRIDAY 18th MARCH

Time: 8.00-9.30pm

3G Boots Required, come changed

MUST EMAIL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE!

INVITING ALL CURRENT YEAR 11 BOYS!

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Year 9 End of Year Trip

Our Year 9 pupils will have the opportunity to attend a trip!

This year, our Year 9 pupils will have the opportunity to go on an end of year trip to Lockerbie Manor Activity Centre! The trip will consist of 2 nights and 3 days of activities such as kayaking, abseiling, rope courses, climbing and many more! This is a great chance for pupils to spend time with each other and build life skills such as teamwork and communication, as well as trying new things! The trip will run from Friday 15th July to Sunday 17th July.

The amount you will have to pay is £120. This can be paid in 3 instalments of £40 (Due 1st April, 2nd May, 1st June). The total cost of the trip is £240 per person which goes towards your food, accommodation, travel and cost of all the activities. At school we have decided to subsidise the trip and pay half. If your child would like to attend please complete the consent form so they can return it to their form tutor by the 25th March. The initial £40 is due by the 1st April.

