



NEWSLETTER

24th June 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

This week is bitter sweet. We are sad to say farewell to our Year 11 pupils who have added some much to our school community. However, we are excited to welcome a cohort of new pupils to our school community in preparation for September.



Mr S.
Worthington
Headteacher

In this edition of the newsletter, we share the highlights of Year 11's last day at school. This is was a momentous occasion for the school as the cohort are the first cohort at Dean Trust Ardwick to have an official leavers assembly. The Class of 2022 have been reflecting on the last five years, especially the obstacles they have successfully navigated. The pupils should be proud of the progress they have made and the individuals they have become. I know that school are immensely proud of them all.

Next week is the Dean Trust Ardwick Year 6 Transition Evening. This event is open to the parents and carers of all children joining the school in September, in Year 7. This event marks the start of a tailored transition programme designed to give the Class of 2027 the tools and knowledge required to successfully start school at Dean Trust Ardwick. I look forward to welcoming all new parents in person at the event, on Monday 27th June.

Best wishes,

Mr S. Worthington

Diary Dates

Inset Day	24 th June
Year 6 Transition Evening	27 th June
Summer Showcase	29 th June
Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip	30 th June – 1 st July
Parental Coffee Morning	1 st July

Safeguarding Tip: The weather is very warm. Please ensure that pupils come to school with a water bottle that they can refill throughout the day.



Head of Year Messages



Year 7 – Mrs Rashford *Year 7 are becoming great role models!*

Our Year 7 Form Representatives have been working really hard over the past two weeks to prepare for the Year 6 transition evening. They have scripted and recorded a video giving advice, talking about their DTA highlights so far, and expressing their worries when they joined DTA and how they have come to feel better about them. Our Form Representatives will also be at the transition evening to answer any questions from Year 6 pupils and their parents. It is wonderful to see how our Year 7 pupils are becoming positive role models ahead of their move to Year 8.



Year 8 – Mr Smith *Year 8 achieve cricket success!*

This week saw a historic moment in DTA history with our first ever cricket match! Due to the pandemic, we have not been able to play extra-curricular fixtures so it was a welcome relief that we were finally given the go ahead to play! Please read on for further details. In other news, we are only 3 weeks away from our Lockerbie residential trip which is on Monday 11th July. There will be a pupil meeting during form time on Monday 4th July to give out all the last pieces of information and the logistics of the trip. We are looking forward to the opportunity to try new things in Lockerbie and we hope pupils are too!



Year 9 – Mr Diaz *Year 9 pupils have been competing for prizes!*

Year 9 continue to learn more about influential LGBTQ+ people during LGBTQ+ History Month, which takes place every year in June, pupils have come to know about an influential male model and LGBTQ+ activist who has been nominated for the British LGBT Awards 2022! We have also conducted our second draw for the 100% Every Day competition, where pupils with 100% attendance and punctuality are entered into a prize draw to win either a £20, £10 or £5 Love To Shop voucher. This week 3 lucky winners were drawn and were the lucky recipients of these prizes. The end of year exams have begun and will last approximately 3 weeks for Year 9 pupils, please support the school in echoing exam condition expectations. This will be good practice for Year 9 pupils for when they sit their GCSE exams.



Year 10 – Mr Chetwyn *Voting for Head Pupils is underway!*

What a busy week it has been! Our Year 10s have been setting the bar for exemplary conduct during our mock exams, showing real maturity and responsibility. This is a great sign for next year as we move into Year 11. I would also like to congratulate our 10 senior prefects after they were voted onto our Senior Prefect team. Exciting times are ahead as we progress on to elections for our Head Pupils! Have a great long weekend everyone and keep being brilliant.



Year 11 – Mr Hull *Year 11 have so much to be proud of!*

Monday marked the final proper school day for our Year 11 cohort. After their morning exam, pupils had a wonderful day celebrating each other. It was great to enjoy the sunshine and sign lots of shirts. Thank you to the staff members who were able to come out and sign shirts too. I had the pleasure of hosting the final Year 11 assembly. This was an emotional experience but a great way to end their time at DTA. Year 11, you will be sorely missed but we cannot wait to hear about all the amazing things you go on to accomplish. Myself and lots of other staff members look forward to celebrating with you at Prom. You all deserve to have a fabulous night!



Modern Foreign Languages

We welcomed pupils from Plymouth Grove!

60 Year 6 pupils from Plymouth Grove came to visit the MFL department and were taken on a trip to Spain, Mexico, Colombia and Argentina by discovering food from those places. Pupils then created their own cafés and menus including foods that they had learnt about – weirdly no one wanted to include hot chocolate with melted cheese from Colombia!

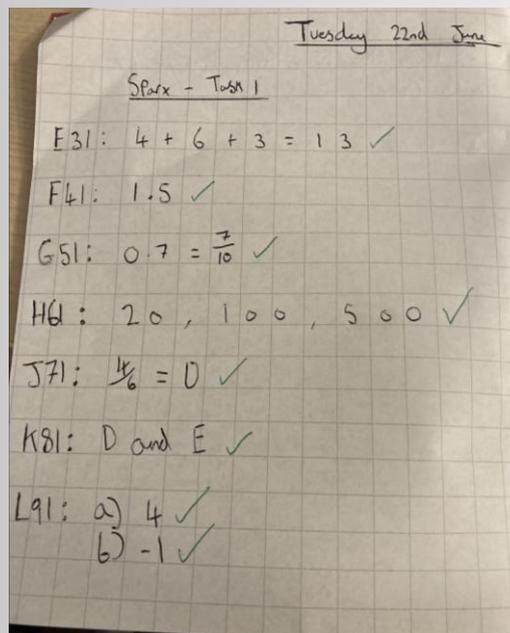
Pupils had a great time experiencing what it was like at DTA and are really looking forward to getting started in September.



Maths

Yusuf has set a great example with his homework!

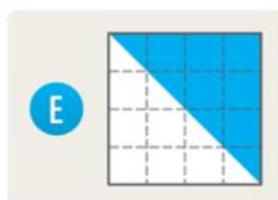
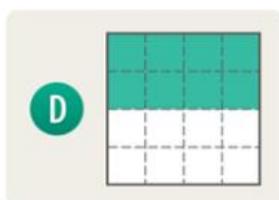
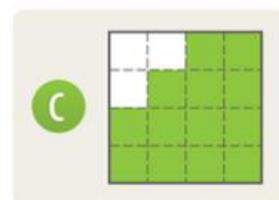
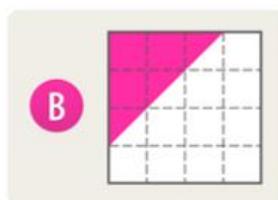
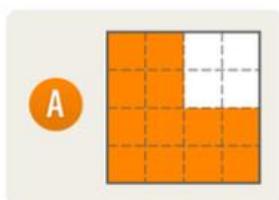
Throughout lessons this week, teachers have been establishing homework expectations with the introduction of the new homework platform, Sparx. An expectation in Maths is that pupils write their working out for each question along with a book work code that will be provided on each Sparx question. Pupils need to attempt this work in their class books or previous Hegarty Maths homework book. Mr Burney had one excellent example from Yusuf, in Year 7, who completed his homework within 24 hours of it being set. Please use this example with your children at home to model how we expect work to be set out. Well done Yusuf! Working out questions is a key skill in Maths to show how we progress from an attempt to the actual answer. I am sure we will have many more excellent pieces of homework to show off in the coming weeks!



Bookwork code: K81



Which **two** of the images are **half shaded**?



Physical Education

Well done to our first cricket team!

The Year 8 boys have been practising every week to improve their skills and were very excited to travel to Burnage Boys School for the inaugural game. The boys managed to bat out all 20 overs scoring 72 runs, and were just pipped by 1 run as Burnage batted their innings. It was a great game in which the boys represented the school magnificently and did DTA proud!



Year 7 Form Representatives

Form Representatives have been preparing for Transition Evening

This week, our Year 7 form representatives have been working hard to prepare a video presentation for the Year 6 Transition Evening on Monday 27th June. They thought about their journey so far at DTA, the highlights of their year, their best bit of advice, and the worries they had before they came to DTA compared to how they feel now. Our Year 7 pupils are really looking forward to sharing this information on Monday evening! Well done to the Form Representatives for all of their hard work and their thoughtful responses to the questions.



Year 11 Leavers

Goodbye and good luck!

On Monday, our Year 11 pupils had their final school day at DTA! After finishing their morning exam, they went outside for their break to enjoy food and ice cream from an ice cream van! This was also an opportunity to sign shirts and lots of staff members came out to wish our pupils good luck. They then had an assembly hosted by Mr Hull. Mr Worthington and Mr Hull both made farewell speeches and pupils watched a video of good luck messages from staff. On their way out, pupils were applauded off the school site with a staff guard of honour. We wish all of our Year 11 pupils good luck with the future and we cannot wait to celebrate with them at Prom on Friday! Thank you to Year 7 pupil, Amin, for photographing the day!

