



NEWSLETTER

1st July 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

The buzz and busyness of the end of year has started this week. Each year groups have been completing end of year assessments to gauge how much of the taught curriculum they have learnt. This has included some valuable experience of sitting an examination in a formal setting. I'm very pleased to report that all pupils have applied themselves well and have been very keen to demonstrate the knowledge they have acquired.

A number of special events have taken place this week, including; the Dean Trust Active Challenge, Dean Trust Ardwick Summer Showcase and our Year 6 Transition Evening. We had a wide range of pupils involved in each event, either as a participant or a leader. Pupils' conduct was exemplary, they were all outstanding ambassadors for the school. Please read on to see the highlights of these events and many more.

We have even more exciting school events planned over the next two weeks, please see our calendar of events, in this week's newsletter, for further details.

Best wishes,

Mr S. Worthington



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Headteacher

Safeguarding Tip: It can be really difficult to access Health Services at present due to high demand, your child can access free information and advice online regarding their health and chat to a school nurse by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.healthforteens.co.uk/>

Diary Dates

Year 6 Transition Day	5 th July
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DofE Expedition	8 th July
Year 8 Outward Bound Trip	8 th July
Year 8 Residential	11-13 th July
Year 9 Residential	15-17 th July



Head of Year Messages



Year 7 – Mrs Rashford *Year 7 are really talented!*

Our Year 7 cohort are undertaking their end of year exams at the moment. They have been working really hard! Some of our Year 7 pupils performed in the Summer Showcase. We are so impressed with their talents and cannot wait to see these develop throughout their time at DTA. Parents, pupils and staff had the opportunity to watch the show and the reviews were glowing! The audience was treated to singing, acting, rock band and circus skills! We encourage all of our Year 7 pupils to join an extracurricular activity to broaden their skillset and make new friends.



Year 8 – Mr Smith *Year 8 have been exhibiting great behaviour!*

This week, our Year 8 pupils have been sitting their end of year exams. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this is a new experience for most of our pupils. We are very proud of the mature approach Year 8 pupils have been taking and we are sure this will be reflected in their results. Some of our Year 8 cohort are getting closer to the date of their residential in Lockerbie. This will be a great experience! Please can I ask parents to check on Parent Pay to confirm that they have paid the full amount. Please contact the school for any queries.



Year 9 – Mr Diaz *Year 9 pupils have been sitting their exams!*

This week we discussed Manchester Pride and the impact this has on the LGBTQ+ community, raising funds for LGBTQ+ issues and raising awareness. Manchester is one of the leading cities in the UK with the most influential LGBTQ+ Festival and it is worth recognising how diverse this city is. We have also conducted our third 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 recipients of these prizes. End of year exams continue with Year 9 sitting Maths and Science exams this week. 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 *Year 10 are approaching their exams maturely!*

It has been another long week as we power through our end of year examinations, which will form a vital part of our post 16 application processes from September. It's been truly humbling to see how maturely and responsibly our Year 10 pupils have been during their exams, with lots of pupils using their social time to revise and attend booster sessions. Lots of our pupils will be heading out on our Geography field trip this week, which is not only really enjoyable, but also forms a vital part of their assessment for their GCSE. From next week we'll be starting of hustings for our Head and Deputy Head Pupils, along with taking part in Sports Week during our PE lessons. Lots to look forward to! Keep being great Year 10!



Performing Arts

Well done to all of our talented pupils!

This week, our performing arts pupils showcased their amazing talents in a show for staff, pupils and parents. Our Year 10 pupils performed scenes from Blood Brothers and all of the actors were brilliant! We were also treated to singing, rock band and circus skills. As staff members, we are constantly in awe of our pupils and their talents. We appreciate their hard work and it was a brilliant end to the day for those who watched the show. Thank you to Miss Vercoe and Miss Dickinson for their hard work in preparing the pupils to be the best they could be!





Prom

Year 11 finished the year in style!

The very first Dean Trust Ardwick Prom took place last Friday at Manchester's prestigious Midland Hotel. Over two hundred guests attended the glitzy event to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2022, with guests looking absolutely fabulous in their very best attire.

The guests assembled at Dean Trust Ardwick before luxury transport took them into the city centre for fine dining, as the chef served up exquisite food and drink.

After speeches from Mr Worthington and Mr Hull, the Head Pupils took the microphone to entertain their peers with a series of awards in recognition of this year group's stunning resilience, motivation and talent.

Soon afterwards, the staff and pupils mingled and those who wanted to were able to dance the night away in one of the country's most iconic settings. It truly was a night to remember and a fitting closing act for this year group.









Parental Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who came!

This week Ms. Qasim hosted the final Parental Coffee Morning. Attendees were treated to a performance from the cast of High School Musical Jr.! Thank you to everyone who came, your support over the year is greatly appreciated!

