



# NEWSLETTER

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

## Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

Following a period of reduced communication, I am pleased we are able to return to our usual format for this week's Headteacher's Newsletter.

In our first full edition of the academic year, we are pleased to share our summer news, including celebrating the GCSE success of our outgoing Year 11 pupils.

It has been a busy and successful start to the new year at Dean Trust Ardwick. We have been encouraging pupils to develop the habits that will place them on a path to success. We ask for the ongoing support of our parents and carers by making sure children are in school every day, on time and with the correct equipment and uniform.

Please note that next Thursday (29th September) is our Open Evening for prospective pupils and their families. The evening will provide an insight into Dean Trust Ardwick and what we have to offer our young people. Please attend if you have a child in Year 5 or Year 6, we would love to welcome you out school. Additionally, we ask that you share the event details with your friends and family. Please find the details on our Open Evening flyer, enclosed inside. Please note that in order to prepare for this event we will finish school at the slightly earlier time of 2.10pm on this day.

Best wishes,

Mr S. Worthington



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Headteacher

**Safeguarding Tip: Please be mindful that Daisy Mill Road is very busy at drop off / pick up times. Please arrange a point to meet your child to collect at the end of the day to prevent the road becoming blocked.**

### Diary Dates

DofE Expedition	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> September
Open Evening	29 <sup>th</sup> September
Coffee Morning	30 <sup>th</sup> September



## Head of Year Messages



### **Year 7 – Mr Bridden** *The Year 7 residential will be a great experience!*

Another fantastic week for Year 7. During form time pupils have been designing logo cake toppers for the school to sell in an upcoming coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan cancer support and aid to the Pakistani floods. I would also like to remind parents that letters for the Year 7 residential are due in next week. The residential will build confidence, character and experiences which will create life long memories.



### **Year 8 – Mrs Rashford** *Year 8 are set to have a successful year!*

It is really important to establish a positive mindset for all of Year 8. Having a positive mindset means that our pupils have the expectation that things will turn out well and that they will succeed. It gives them more courage to try and persist with significant lifestyle and positive attitude changes. I know that you - as parents and carers will support your children in ensuring that they are the best that they can be.



### **Year 9 – Mr Smith** *Welcome back Year 9!*

This week we had our post-16 evening which was the first opportunity for our Year 9 pupils to start considering the options they will have when they eventually leave Dean Trust Ardwick. Even though this may feel a little early we hope that by having a long term goal or idea of potential futures it will help to motivate and drive them towards success over the next 3 years. It was very pleasing to see the enthusiasm and interest the pupils showed on the evening which I think represents their positive outlook to the start of the year so far.



### **Year 10 – Mr Diaz** *Year 10 have been voting for their form representatives!*

I would like to thank all of our Year 10 pupils who have returned to school this academic year with an eagerness to progress and the vision to become the best version of themselves as they embark on their GCSE journey. Pupils have already expressed interest on recent university campus tours and visits. There have also been leadership opportunities made available for pupils to represent student voice by becoming a form representative and they have been elected during their form time period. It has been an excellent start so far and I look forward to what the year will bring.



### **Year 11 – Mr Chetwyn** *We have an exciting year ahead of us!*

Last night was our Post-16 event. It was a great success and a really informative evening. Thank you to all of the staff and pupils who attended. A special thank you to Miss Jackson for all of her hard work in helping to organise such a brilliant evening.





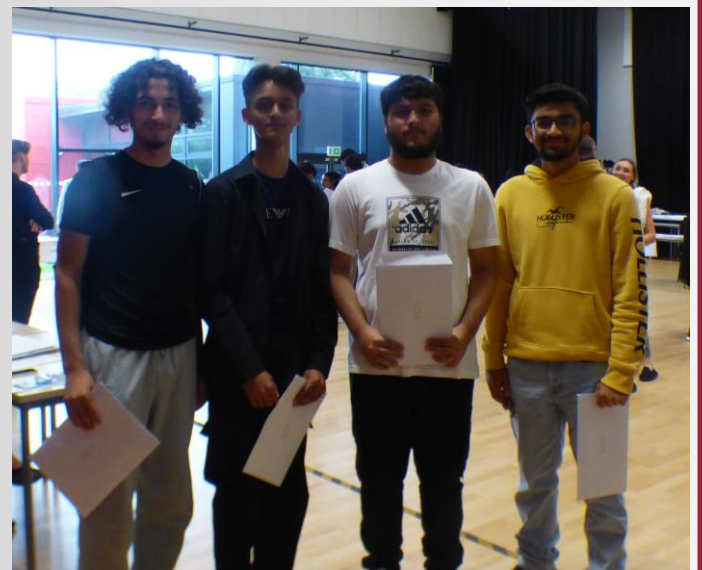
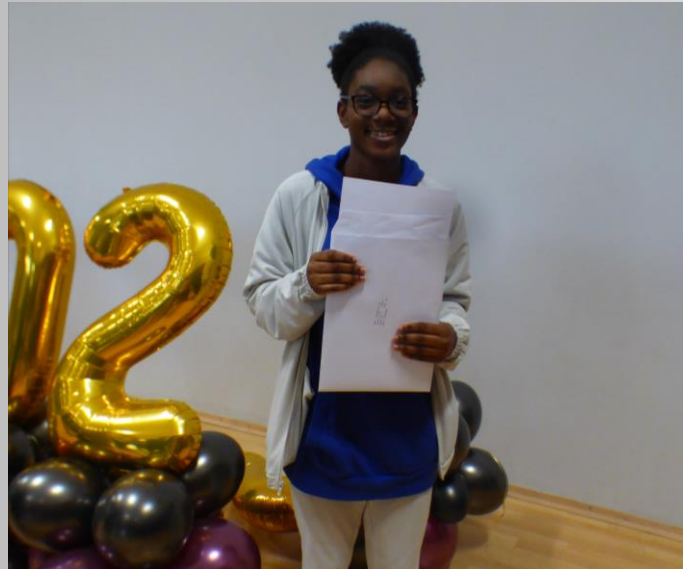
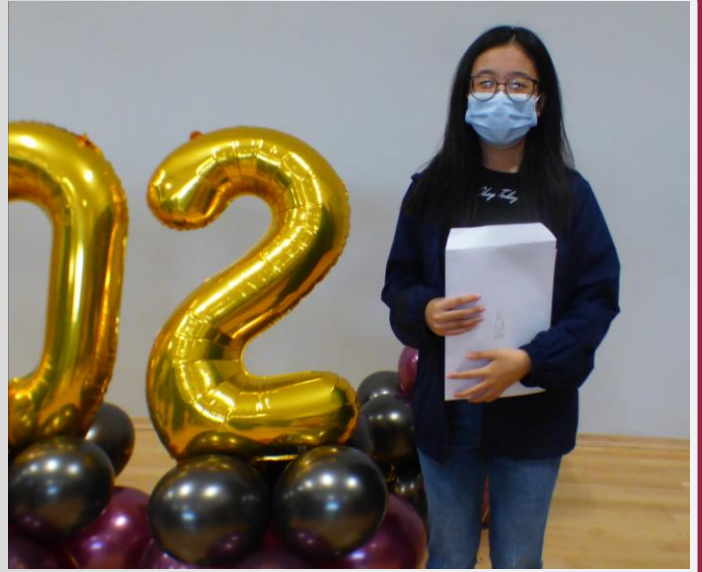
### Year 11 Results Day 2022

*We are so proud of our pupils and wish them all the best!*

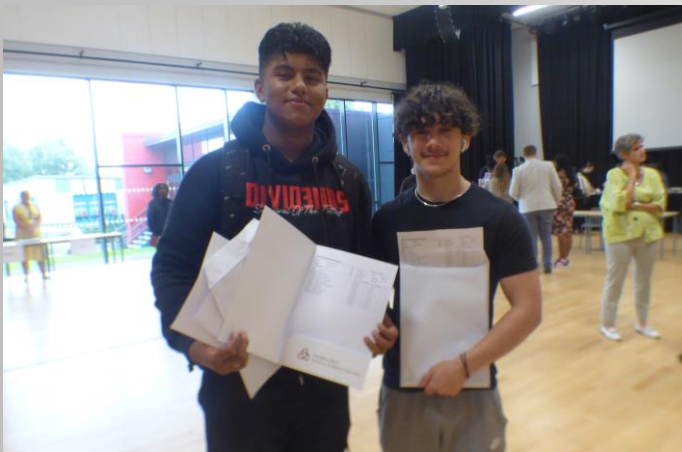
In August, our Year 11 pupils came into school to collect their GCSE results. Due to Covid-19, this year group experienced some really challenging school years as they were nearing their exams. When they were back in school fulltime, the cohort seized the opportunity to be taught in person again. It was such a joy to see these pupils achieve some amazing results and we are really proud of all of them. From all of us at DTA, we wish everyone success in their future endeavours and we hope to receive lots of updates! Thank you to Mr Hull and Mr Mullaly for their tireless hard work in ensuring this year group had the best chance possible at succeeding in their GCSEs.













### Lego Club

*Well done Ajaz and all of the other pupils involved in the club!*

Lego Club was awesome last academic year. The pupils used their lunch times to develop their skills and produce some amazing creations. The 1st place prize for the end of year creation goes to Ajaz from 8D Rylands. Well done Ajaz! Mrs Annan looks forward to starting Lego Club again in the Autumn Term. Thank you so much to Mrs Annan for running such a great extracurricular activity for our pupils!



### Eco Committee

*We are so proud of our Eco Committee!*

The school were awarded the below certificate from the BBC bitesize regeneration program for their efforts in supporting sustainability in school. The green space project at the back of the school has transformed an area that now has wild flowers, plant pots and raised beds that contained raspberries, blueberries and green beans during the summer.





## Summer School

*Thank you to everyone who came!*

At the end of August and the beginning of September, lots of new Year 7 pupils attended our Summer School. Pupils got to try out loads of fun activities, such as Samba drumming, art, textiles, circus skills and PE. As well as this, pupils were able to familiarise themselves with the layout of the school and meet some of the staff at DTA. Everyone had an amazing week and it was lovely to see lots of pupils making new friends. Thank you to both the Miss Horsleys for organising such a great opportunity. Thank you, as well, to all of the members of staff who came in to run some really fun activities during the week.

















### Manchester United Foundation

*Thank you to the players who visited!*

During the holidays, some of our new Year 7 pupils attended Dean Trust Ardwick's Summer School, giving them a chance to experience school life at DTA! During that week, Manchester United Foundation invited three Manchester United Youth Team players to come to support some of the sessions taking place at the school. Sam, Tom and Marcus, who play for the U18s, joined in during some of the football sessions with our pupils. Thank you to Mr Griffiths for organising such an unforgettable experience for some of our new Year 7 pupils.





## Library

*We welcomed a Year 7 class to the Library!*

7X/En2 Mosi have made an impressive start in English by showing admirable enthusiasm when they found out about our school Library. They were so eager to explore the books and get inspiration from our Librarian Miss Santos. They were also encouraged to take part in a poetry competition by Miss Bunting and were thrilled about the possibilities offered in our school!





## Armed Forces Visit

*What an amazing experience!*

Manchester United teamed up with the Armed Forces who came to Dean Trust Ardwick to deliver a variety of problem solving and team building activities as part of Year 7 induction week. The activities focused on teamwork, communication and determination as they worked their way through various challenges and assault courses. Thank you to Mr Griffiths for organising another amazing experience for our new pupils!





## News

### Physics

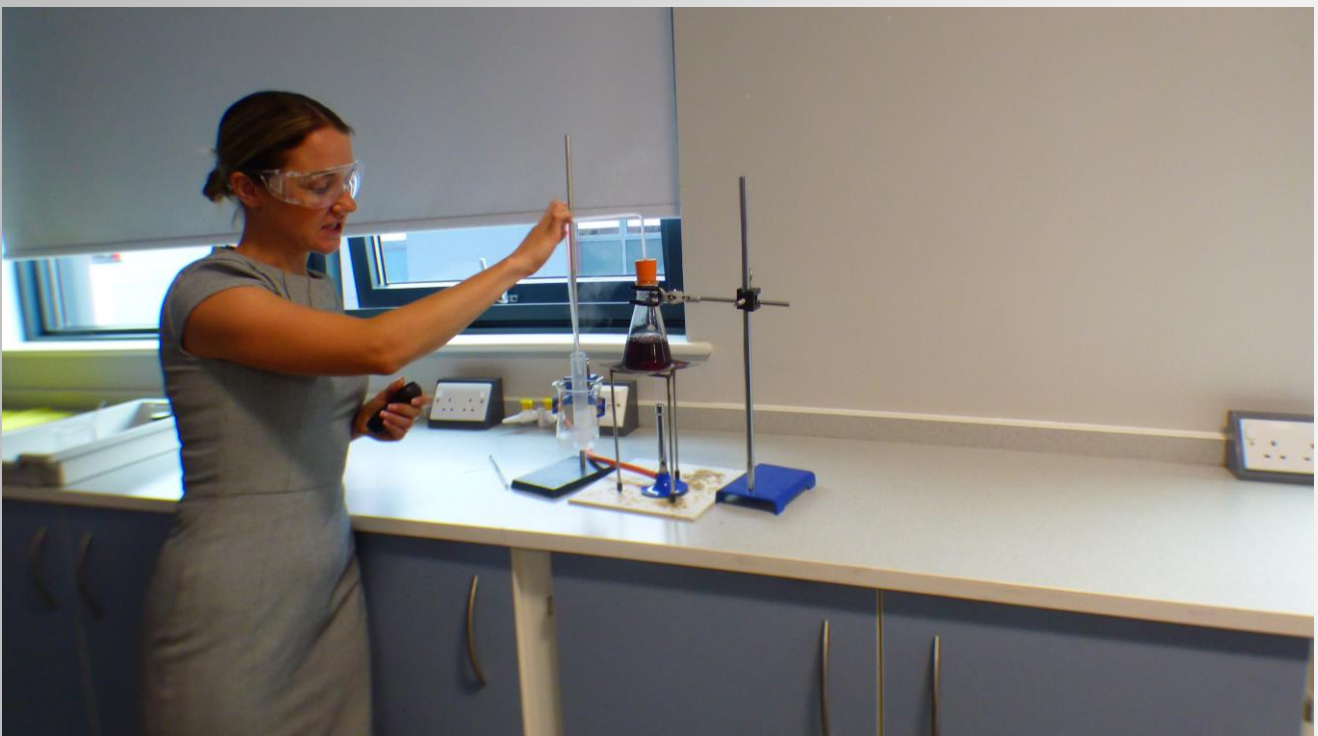
*Year 11 Scientists have been working hard!*

Year 11 separate scientists have showed their commitment by attending after school physics revision on Tuesday evening. They worked hard converting units and recapping the difference between vectors and scalars.

### Physics

*Great work, Year 10!*

Year 10 Scientists have been learning about distillation this week with Miss Watkin's fantastic demonstration. They worked hard to learn different stages of distillation, the name of the equipment and how to separate a liquid from a mixture.





### Physical Education

*There have been lots of great opportunities in PE!*

On Thursday we had a team of Key Stage 4 pupils represent our school in a tournament at Whalley Range High School. The girls played 4 games and came away with some fantastic results.

#### **We had several goal scorers during the tournament:**

Laney: 4

Husna: 1

Hifza: 1

Tia: 1

Our player of the tournament goes to Tia! Tia had an amazing performance in goal especially against a strong forward from Loreto. After making several outstanding saves, Tia played outfield for the last game and scored a fantastic goal to give us a draw in our final game. Miss Pemberton and Miss Henshall were very impressed with how the team played together and represented the school.

Macclesfield FC also came into school this week to work with our Year 11 pupils. They ran an open session for Year 11 boys and led a football session. They also discussed Post-16 options in relation to the programme they run at the club. All of the pupils were an asset to the school and were excited about some of the opportunities on offer. Overall a fantastic week back for our pupils.

### Physical Education

*Well done to the team!*

We had our first sporting success this year with the Year 9 boys football team competing at Manchester United's training ground in the emerging talent tournament. The pupils, as always, displayed a fabulous attitude and work ethic and finished third in the tournament!

