



NEWSLETTER

21st October 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

We have arrived at half term, for a well-deserved break for both pupils and staff. At the start of this year, I asked pupils to start the year in a way that would give them the best chance of success. They were encouraged to form positive habits, such as; attending school every day; being on-time; wearing the correct uniform; being well-equipped; completing homework etc. We informed pupils that the most successful individuals, at secondary school, are those that maintain discipline and perform these acts consistently every day, in every lesson. Pupils responded well, and those that started the term in the best way were recognised during achievement assemblies this week. Well done to all those pupils who received an award, particularly the ten pupils in each year group who received the Headteacher's award for achieving the greatest number of positive points and no negative points this half term.



Mr S.
Worthington
Headteacher

We close today for the week and will reopen at the normal time on Monday the 31st October. Please find information for half-term break in this week's newsletter, including some important guidance for young people on how to stay safe in the run up to both Halloween and Bonfire night.

If you have not already, please can I our parents and carers ensure they download the My Child at School App. We will increase the level of school-home communication next half-term via the app and therefore, it is essential that you download it. There is a detailed guide on the school website explaining how to access and set up the app.

Thank you for continued support this academic year.

Best wishes,

Mr S. Worthington

Safeguarding Tip: MCRactive are offering thousands of FREE places for children to access a variety of activities & a FREE meal over October Half-Term in Manchester for those on benefit-related free school meals. To book your child's space: Sign up for an MCRactive Go account <https://www.mcractive.com/>. Once signed up, log into your account – Find Activities – Search by Category 'MCR Holiday Activity' Use code when asked: 26584 to book free eligible activities.

Diary Dates

Half Term	21 st October
Return to School	31 st October
Debate Mate Trip	4 th November
School Show Performance	9 th November

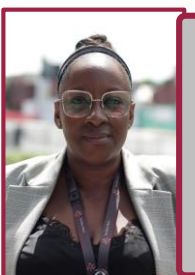


Head of Year Messages



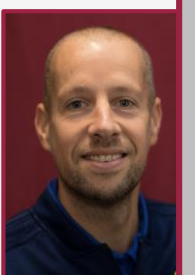
Year 7 – Mr Bridden *Year 7 have had a great first half term!*

I would like to congratulate all of Year 7 on an extremely successful first half term. I am proud to announce that Year 7 had the highest attendance and received the most achievement points this half term. Let's continue this throughout the year! Thank you all for your support and cooperation. I look forward to this continuing next half term.



Year 8 – Mrs Rashford *Year 8 had their achievement assembly!*

We have now completed the first half term and it has been a very busy one. We celebrated the success and achievements of pupils in Year 8 during our achievement assembly. Well done to those pupils who were selected. I wish all pupils and their families a restful break and look forward to seeing Year 8 refreshed and ready for another half term.



Year 9 – Mr Smith *Year 9 have been celebrating their success!*

This week the Year 9 pupils enjoyed their achievement assembly to celebrate the end of this half term. There were some fabulous scores in the achievement points table with Basil, Ayesha, Kanta, Shabnam and Melissa as our top 5 pupils respectively! It was also a time to celebrate form success with Piccadilly being top for behaviour and attendance, a double success! We also celebrated our success as a year group as pupils have amassed over 4,000 positive points this year so far. That is a 90% positive ratio compared to negative points! Overall we are really pleased with the Year 9's start to the year and I hope it will be a great foundation for a successful year ahead!



Year 10 – Mr Diaz *Year 10 have had a great first half term!*

This week we have celebrated pupil achievements at our first achievement assembly of the year. A huge congratulations goes to all nominees and prize winners from this half term. It was great seeing pupils engage and enjoy the celebration this week. Please join me in congratulating your children. We have also had a guest speaker attending this week to promote Debate Mate workshops. These were a great success last year and I am looking forward to seeing who joins in this year. Lastly, I would like to thank all participants who have demonstrated excellent art skills in producing some wonderful posters about Black History Month. Well done! I wish you all a restful half term and look forward to welcoming you back to DTA on Monday 31st October.



Year 11 – Mr Chetwyn *Keep up the good work, Year 11!*

Time flies, Year 11! We are already a full half term down in our final year! It has been a great term and a great week. We have seen pupils working hard on their Post-16 applications and personal statements, as well as celebrating our successes for the term. Next term we expect to see more of the same high levels of hard work and positive attitudes to learning as we move towards our Year 11 mocks. These are now just nine school weeks away! Have a great and restful half term break everyone!



Child Development

We are so impressed with our Child Development pupils!

Over the past few weeks, the Year 11 Child Development cohort have been planning and developing a two-course meal for a four year old as part of their assessment. The results were fantastic and met the targeted nutritional requirements. Some pupils chose to use attractive and appealing meals as one of their key factors and they were very creative in their designs to entice children into eating their meals.





Physical Education

Come and try our new Volleyball Club!

We had another fantastic turnout this week at our Volleyball Club. Pupils have really engaged with this new club! Whether you are already a volleyball player or want to try something new, head down to the Sports Hall every Tuesday after school from 3-4:15PM.



A huge well done to all of the Year 8s who took part in the football trials this week. Mr Samuels was very impressed by all of the pupils who tried out. We look forward to the first Year 8 fixture of the year!



Physical Education

Pupils went to Old Trafford!

On Thursday night, 50 of our pupils enjoyed a night under the lights at the Theatre of Dreams. The pupils had a fantastic time and were an asset to the school!



United v Omonia

Old Trafford

8pm Thursday 13 October

Finally, a huge congratulations to Mr Smith's Year 9 football team. In the first game of the season, they came back from 2-0 down to win 4-2 against Parris Wood. Well done and good luck in the rest of the season!



Physics

Pupils in Year 10 have been learning about Newton's 2nd Law!

Year 10 Physicists performed an investigation to test Newton's 2nd Law. They used stopwatches to measure the time for a trolley to travel down a ramp and then calculated the acceleration. The measurements were challenging and there were plenty of anomalous readings, but they did an excellent job of catching the trolleys and mass before they fell off the end of the ramp!



Art Club

Pupils have been getting creative!

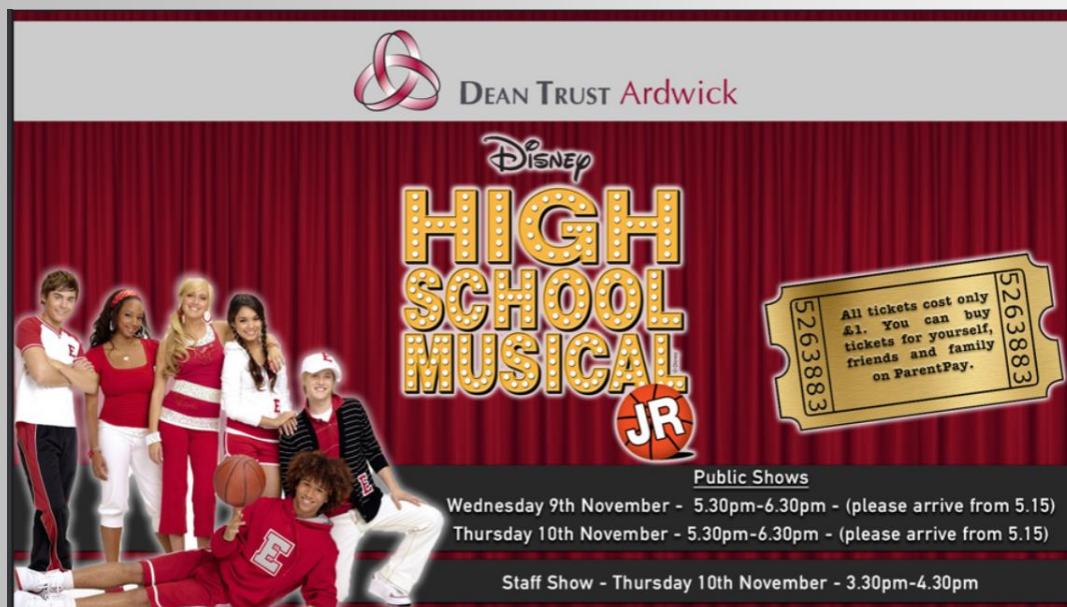
Pupils in Year 7 have been trying out lots of new skills in Art Club. The first activity was to draw another pupil in the room with your eyes closed. In the second activity, pupils had to draw that person again, with their eyes closed and without taking their pens off the paper! These activities had some really creative results! Pupils spent the rest of their time free drawing on a piece of A3 paper for one minute before passing it to their left. This meant that by the end of the club, we had lots of collaborative art and all of the pupils were able to express and combine different styles! Thank you to Miss Braithwaite for running such a great extracurricular activity for our pupils. The Art Club is every Tuesday until 4pm.



Performing Arts

Our pupils are very excited to perform!

The Performing Arts faculty at Dean Trust Ardwick are delighted to invite you to our production of 'High School Musical'. We originally started the production in January 2020 and now, after two postponements, we are very excited to be able to put on this energetic and exciting performance. The pupils have worked incredibly hard to reach an amazing performance standard and we are looking forward to showing their fantastic talents!



Performing Arts

Pupils have been learning new musical skills!

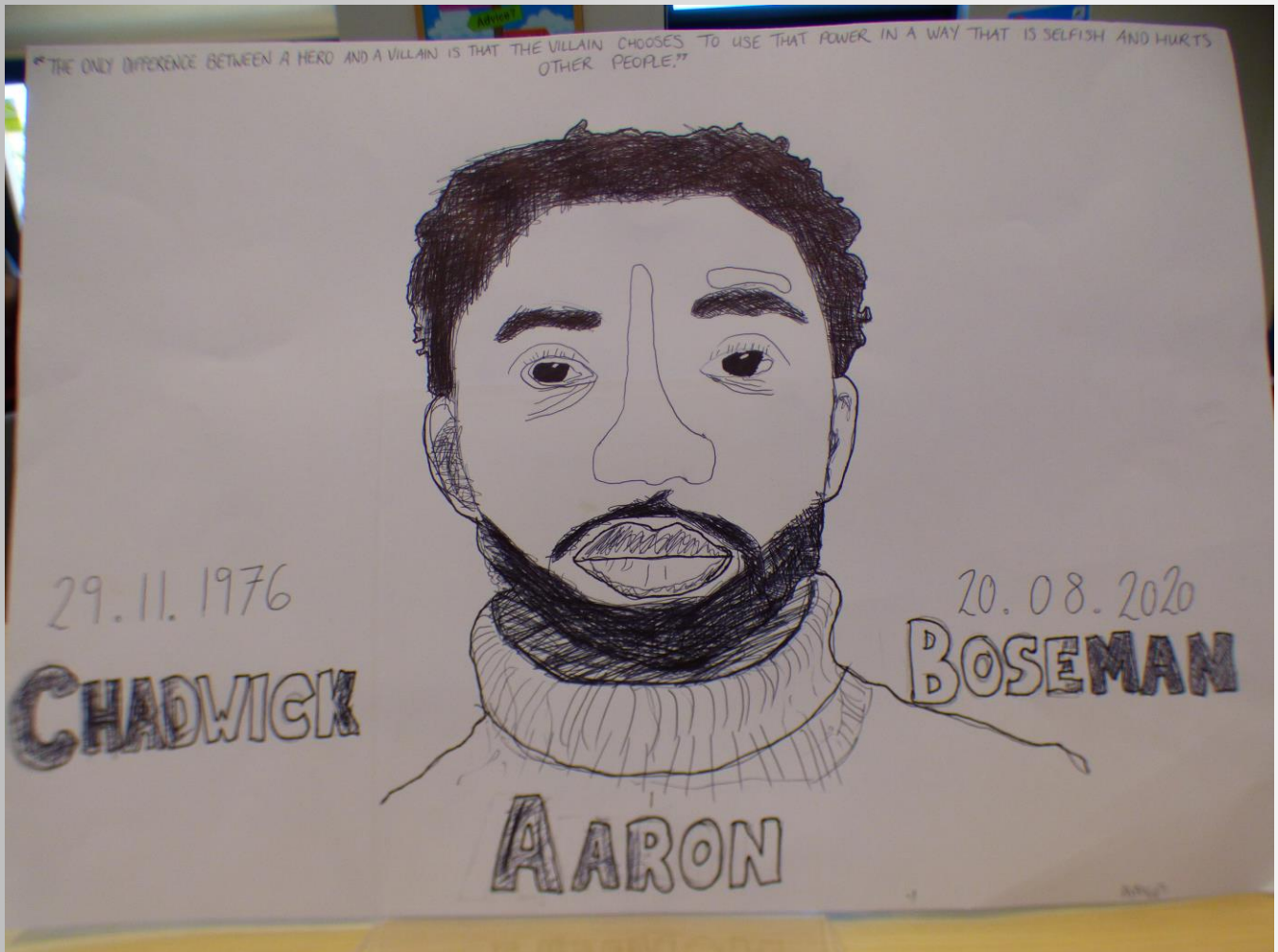
DTA has created a partnership with local music charity 'Olympias Music Foundation'. The project has been running for three weeks and it has been an amazing start. Every evening we have children and families from the local community in our school for their music lessons delivered by Olympias. They are also delivering private music tuition to some of our own DTA pupils, in piano, singing, violin and have set up a fantastic choir. We look forward to seeing where this exciting partnership takes us in the future!



Black History Month

Pupils have been doing lots of activities to commemorate Black History Month!

Year 8 pupil, Amin, has designed and drawn a poster for Black History Month. Amin chose to honour the actor Chadwick Boseman.



**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**



Plymouth Grove Primary School Visit

Pupils in Year 5 and 6 learnt about DNA!

On Friday last week, Year 5 and 6 pupils from Plymouth Grove Primary School came to visit the Science faculty. Pupils wanted a better understanding of the charity event Jeans for Genes which is an annual fundraising event for children and families affected by genetic disorders. To help the pupils understand how our unique characteristics are determined by our genes, we held a brief talk followed by a practical activity where they extracted DNA from strawberries. Some of the pupils also got to build a DNA α -helix model from liquorice and jelly babies!

Miss Watkins and Mrs Mulryan enjoyed the afternoon and the pupils promised they would tell their parents the fun facts they had learned, one saying "DNA looked a bit like snot" another "that they liked the model as it showed how our DNA needs to be packed tightly as all our DNA can reach to the moon and back 1500 times".



Year 11 Celebratory Lunch

Pupils in 11 Rylands celebrated with food from Dominoes!

Year 11 pupils in Rylands celebrated at lunch with Dominoes pizza. This form won our Next Level November challenge and their prize was postponed due to the pandemic. Well done to all of the pupils for their achievement. Thank you to Miss Martin for arranging their prize!



Headteacher's Commendation

Well done to our high achieving pupils!

On Thursday, pupils in Year 9 and 10 visited Mr Worthington's office to receive certificates and chocolate for their achievements this half term. The pupils who were awarded this commendation accumulated 35 positive points and no negative points this half term. Mr Worthington spoke to the pupils about how their conduct will put them in a great position to succeed in their school career. Well done to all of the pupils who received this award. We are really proud of your consistent hard work and you are brilliant role models to our younger pupils!



Welfare Message

Please contact us with any questions or concerns!

We wish all of our pupils and their families a restful half term.

With Halloween and Bonfire night approaching below is a reminder of keeping safe in the holidays for our pupils and their parents/carers:

Don't set off illegal fireworks or start fires. And remember - it's illegal to buy or use fireworks if you're under 18.

 To report illegal bonfires contact your local council.

 If the fire is out of control call 999.

 Members of the public can dispose of unused fireworks safely, as part of our fireworks amnesty, by calling @manchesterfire on 0800 555 815.

Find out more  <https://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/your-safety/campaigns/bangoutoforder/>



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2022

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL



ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend until the end of 2022

TOBY CARVERY

The Kids Eat For £1 offer will be available from October 24th to 28th with the App

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Adults Eat Free with every under 11 child throughout all the UK Half terms

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

TESCO CAFES

Kids Eat Free with any purchase of fresh fruit by an adult throughout all the UK Half Terms

MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free kids meal (usually all day during half term)

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto during Half Terms

FARMHOUSE INNS

Kids eat for £1 when you sign up to their email list before October 26th 2022

YO! SUSHI

Kid's eat free all day, Monday to Thursday until 29th October 2022

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day

IKEA

From October 11th kids get a meal for 95p or £1.50 from 11am - All day, every day.

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

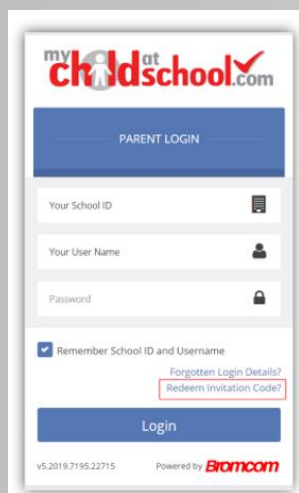
My Child At School App (MCAS)

Bromcom's MyChildAtSchool Parent/Carers app is designed to increase the parental/ carer engagement between Parents/Carers and Schools by sharing key information about their children's day to day school information.

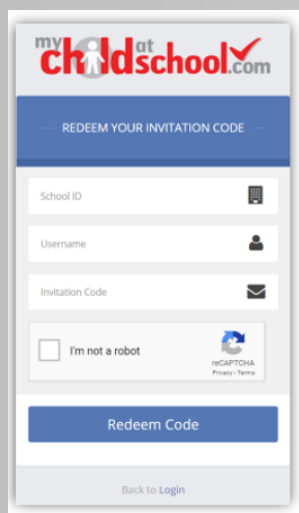
How to Access MCAS

To login to the MCAS parent portal you will need to have a valid email address registered with the school and an invitation code which the school would have sent you via email. The email will come from SCHOOL and the subject will be MCAS-Redeem Invitation Code, if you follow the link in the email, it will take you to step 4. If you do not have an invitation code, please contact the school reception for one, as you will not be able to access the Parent Portal without one.

1. From within your web browser type www.mychildatschool.com this will open the log in page which looks this this:



2. Click on redeem invitation code. This will take you to a new screen.

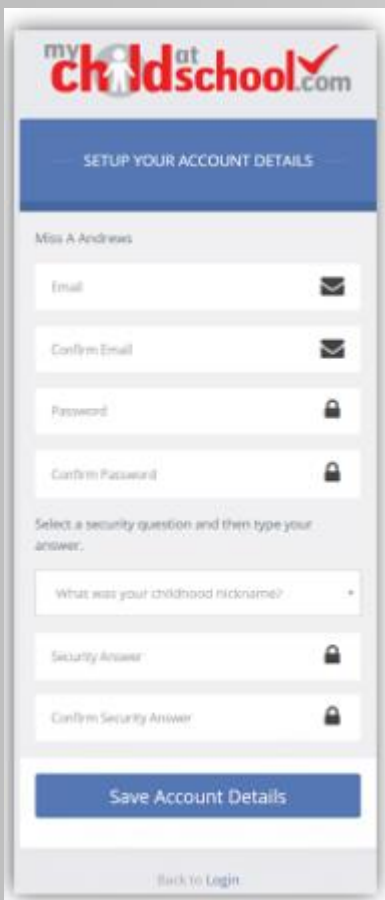


3. Type in:

- School ID: 13080
- Username (you will find this on your invitation email):
- Invitation Code (you will find this on your invitation email, this is a 10-digit code)

4. Click on *I am not a robot* and *redeem code*

My Child At School App (MCAS)



5. Enter the required information to setup the login details then click on save account details. A message will be displayed that the new log in setup has been successful.

6. An email will be sent to the registered email address asking you to verify your log in information. If this is not done you will not be able to recover your account details or reset your password in the future.

Dear MyChildAtSchool user,

Thank you for setting up your username and password retrieval details.

Security Question:
What was the name of your first pet?

Answer:
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Please click [Here](#) to validate this information – If you do not validate the details provided you will not be able to retrieve a forgotten username or password on-line.

A pop-up reminder will appear every time you log into MyChildatSchool until you validate these details.

Please do not reply to this email as it is automatically generated.

Kind Regards
MyChildAtSchool.com

7. You will now be able to log in using your new log in details

8. Download the MCAS App



Natasha's Law

Due to Natasha's Law, pupils must not bring any food in to school to share with other pupils.

14 Allergens



The way allergens are labelled on prepacked foods has changed. The Food Information Regulation, which came into force in December 2014, introduced a requirement that food businesses must provide information about the allergenic ingredients used in any food they sell or provide.

There are 14 major allergens which need to be mentioned (either on a label or through provided information such as menus) when they are used as ingredients in a food. Here are the allergens, and some examples of where they can be found:

1

Celery

This includes celery stalks, leaves, seeds and the root called celeriac. You can find celery in celery salt, salads, some meat products, soups and stock cubes.



Cereals containing gluten

Wheat (such as spelt and Khorasan wheat/Kamut), rye, barley and oats is often found in foods containing flour, such as some types of baking powder, batter, breadcrumbs, bread, cakes, couscous, meat products, pasta, pastry, sauces, soups and fried foods which are dusted with flour.

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Crustaceans

Crabs, lobster, prawns and scampi are crustaceans. Shrimp paste, often used in Thai and south-east Asian curries or salads, is an ingredient to look out for.



Eggs

Eggs are often found in cakes, some meat products, mayonnaise, mousses, pasta, quiche, sauces and pastries or foods brushed or glazed with egg.

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Fish

You will find this in some fish sauces, pizzas, relishes, salad dressings, stock cubes and Worcestershire sauce.



Lupin

Yes, lupin is a flower, but it's also found in flour! Lupin flour and seeds can be used in some types of bread, pastries and even in pasta.

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Milk

Milk is a common ingredient in butter, cheese, cream, milk powders and yoghurt. It can also be found in foods brushed or glazed with milk, and in powdered soups and sauces.



Molluscs

These include mussels, land snails, squid and whelks, but can also be commonly found in oyster sauce or as an ingredient in fish stews

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Mustard

Liquid mustard, mustard powder and mustard seeds fall into this category. This ingredient can also be found in breads, curries, marinades, meat products, salad dressings, sauces and soups.



Nuts

Not to be mistaken with peanuts (which are actually a legume and grow underground), this ingredient refers to nuts which grow on trees, like cashew nuts, almonds and hazelnuts. You can find nuts in breads, biscuits, crackers, desserts, nut powders (often used in Asian curries), stir-fried dishes, ice cream, marzipan (almond paste), nut oils and sauces.


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Peanuts

Peanuts are actually a legume and grow underground, which is why it's sometimes called a groundnut. Peanuts are often used as an ingredient in biscuits, cakes, curries, desserts, sauces (such as satay sauce), as well as in groundnut oil and peanut flour.



Sesame seeds

These seeds can often be found in bread (sprinkled on hamburger buns for example), breadsticks, houmous, sesame oil and tahini. They are sometimes toasted and used in salads.

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Soya

Often found in bean curd, edamame beans, miso paste, textured soya protein, soya flour or tofu, soya is a staple ingredient in oriental food. It can also be found in desserts, ice cream, meat products, sauces and vegetarian products.



Sulphur dioxide (sometimes known as sulphites)

This is an ingredient often used in dried fruit such as raisins, dried apricots and prunes. You might also find it in meat products, soft drinks, vegetables as well as in wine and beer. If you have asthma, you have a higher risk of developing a reaction to sulphur dioxide.

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For more information, visit: food.gov.uk/allergy or nhs.uk/conditions/allergies

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