



NEWSLETTER

25th November 2022

Dear parents and carers,

We have marked Anti-Bullying Week this week at Dean Trust Ardwick. The theme of the week has been 'Reach Out', designed to empower pupils to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. Pupils received an assembly and lessons explaining what bullying is and how a victim of bullying might be impacted. Pupils were asked to consider how their own actions might help prevent, or contribute, to bullying whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online.



Mr S.
Worthington
Headteacher

Please can I encourage our parents and carers to download the My Child at School App so that we can improve our school-home communication. In the near future we will be changing our on-line system for catering payments, meaning that parents will no longer be able to use Parent Pay. Parents and carers will be required to make payments via the My Child at School App. There is further information inside this week's newsletter.

Finally, can I please remind Year 10 parents and carers that Parents' Evening is taking place at school next week, on Thursday 1st December. Please encourage your child to make appointments in school.

Best wishes,

Mr S. Worthington

Safeguarding Tip:

Please remind your children to cross roads safely on their way to and from school. The mornings and evenings are getting darker and there have been a number of reports of children taking risks on the roads.

Diary Dates

MFL Speaking Exams	28 th November – 9 th December
Year 10 Parents Evening	1 st December
The Growth Company Trip	7 th December
UA92 Trip	8 th December



Head of Year Messages



Year 7 – Mr Bridden *It is important to keep our standards high!*

We have reached the time of year where evenings are getting darker and the weather is getting colder. It is crucial that during this time of year we do not waver and continue to maintain our high standards. There are coughs and colds circulating at this time of year but we encourage parents and carers to continue to send pupils to school unless it is absolutely necessary for them to be off. Thank you for your support with this.



Year 8 – Mrs Rashford *Well done Bridgewater!*

We are nearly at the end of November and our Next Level November initiative. I will be announcing the form in Year 8 who have received the highest points this week. They will be able to choose from a range of rewards to celebrate their success. November is also the last month of autumn, but the beginning of new opportunities and experiences. Well done to Year 8 who have consistently been in second place for attendance across the school and, also, to Bridgewater who had the highest attendance last week.



Year 9 – Mr Smith *Year 9 have had a meaningful assembly!*

The theme of the week for the Year 9 pupil assembly was ‘bullying,’ led by Mrs Charles. This is such an important subject for all of us to ensure that everyone comes to school feeling happy and safe and able to thrive. Mrs Charles spoke about the importance of ‘speaking up’ and having the courage to tell someone, but also standing up for your friends and not being a ‘bystander’ if you see this happening. On the whole, the Year 9 cohort are a really supportive group who look out for each other but it is very important we ensure everyone knows the school stance and expectations on bullying.



Year 10 – Mr Diaz *Year 10 Parents Evening is coming up!*

Year 10 Parents Evening is on Thursday, 1st December. As our pupils continue on their Key Stage 4 journey, it is important for them to be aware of what they are getting right and what they need to improve in order to continue to succeed. We kindly invite you to our Parents Evening next week. Appointments will be face-to-face with class teachers and the year team. Please encourage your child to arrange an appointment on your behalf with their teachers. This will ensure you have an allocated time with school staff. There is a page for Parents Evening in your child’s planner and this is where they should be recording which teachers they will be seeing and at what time. Each appointment will be 5 minutes per child. I look forward to welcoming you on Thursday, 1st December.



Year 11 – Mr Chetwyn *Year 11 college application deadlines are upon us!*

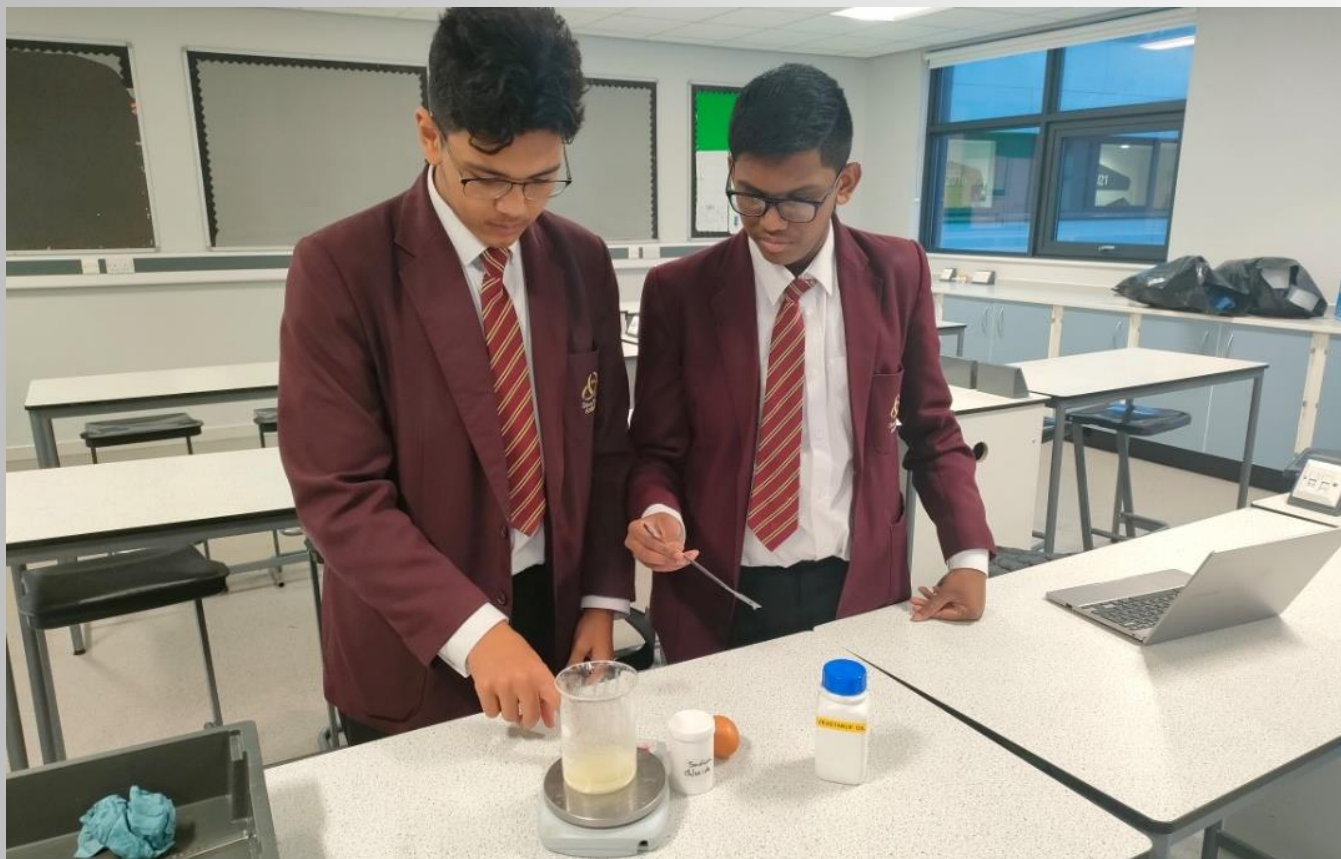
Week 4 of this half term is complete. Year 11, we are over halfway through this term already. A polite reminder that personal statements and college application forms are due on Monday 28th November. It is essential that you have them in by this date as, if you don’t, you are at risk of the college not receiving it. Have a lovely restful weekend everyone and please contact the Year 11 Team if you have any questions or concerns.



Science

Pupils have been creating shop-bought items!

This week in STEM Club, Year 8 and 9 pupils have been looking at how they can recreate products bought from the shop using ingredients found in the lab! The examples in the photographs are toothpaste and a bath bomb. Pupils have experimented with different volumes and mass of the chemicals needed to find the closest match to the real thing.





Debate Mate

Pupils have been developing their skills!

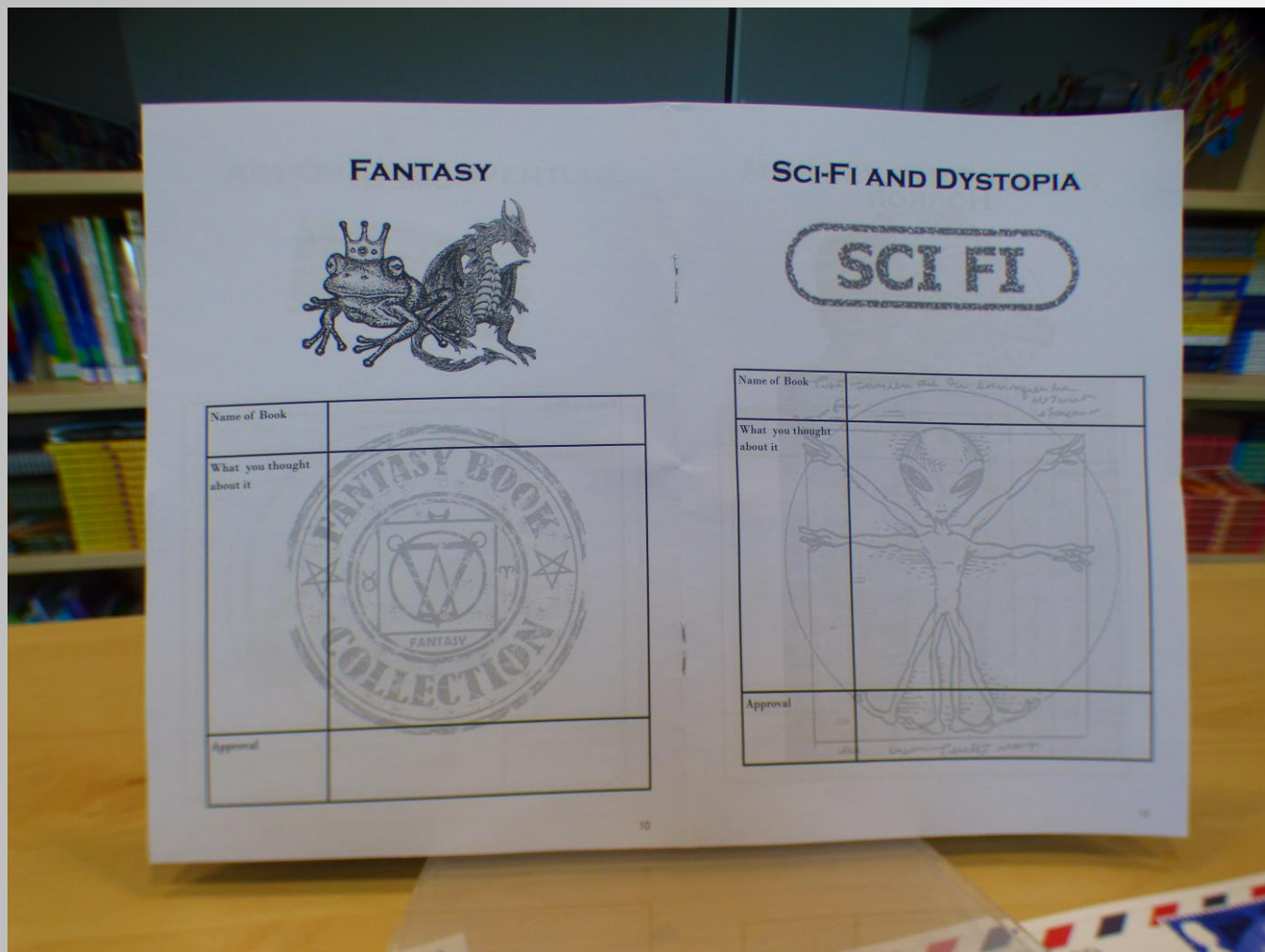
This week was the third week of Debate Mate this year. We had a really good turn out and pupils thoroughly enjoyed it. Pupils learnt about how to produce a good PEEL Speech and the importance of giving their evidence to back up their point of view while explaining it in detail. Once pupils had learnt this they had the opportunity to show their learning through a speech on whether they thought schools should have a four day week or not. Again, there were some really good arguments for this.

Keep reading for more updates on Debate Mate!

English

Year 7 have had Library lessons!

This week, Year 7 classes have had the opportunity to visit the Library during one of their lessons. Miss Santos, our Librarian, has given them an induction to the Library so that they know how best to use it. Pupils have also had the chance to take books out in order to keep progressing through their reading passports. Every Year 7 pupil has been given a reading passport so please take the time to have a look at this with your child. Pupils will earn badges and prizes along the way!



Physical Education

Well done to those who took part!

This week saw our first ever DTA World Cup come to a close with the girls-only tournament producing some fantastic football. Well done to the Year 9 girls who won!



Physical Education

Pupils had an amazing time!

This week some of our Year 10s visited Old Trafford for a careers talk. Along the way they went on a stadium tour and visited the museum. Some students even tried on some match worn shirts from football legends!



Manchester United Foundation

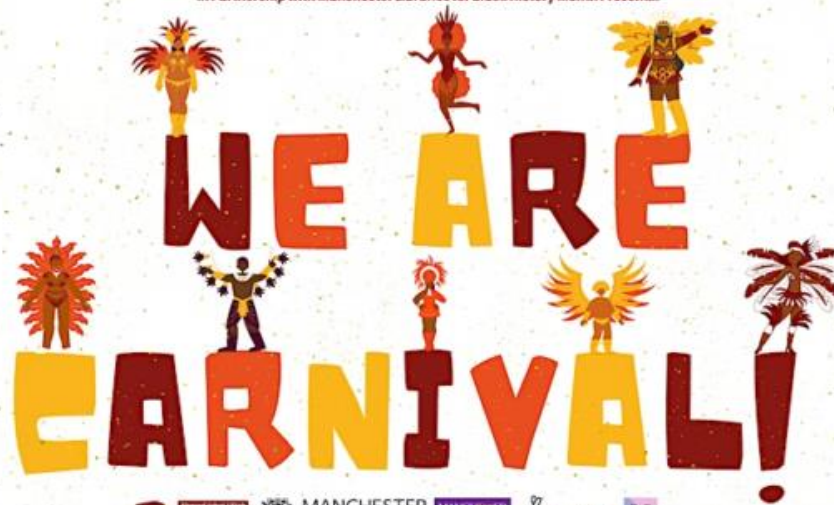
Thank you to our pupils for sharing their outlooks!

Year 11 pupils Aghogho, Abdi and Minan hosted this weeks DTA podcast. They spoke about the importance of Black History Month and their take on the We Are Carnival event that took place at Manchester Central Library during the last half term. Lots of thought provoking and inspirational views from our pupils were discussed!



Ahmed Iqbal Ullah RACE Centre & Education Trust

In Partnership with Manchester Libraries for Black History Month Present...



Friday Prayers

We are proud of our role model pupils!

The Friday prayers are continuing and Hassan, Ahmed and Asim are serving as excellent role models to our Muslim pupils. The time and dedication they are taking to prepare before Friday Jummah prayers has been excellent. Today's khutbah (sermon) was on the importance of building trust and being honest with others.

Prayer passes can continue to be obtained from Ms Sayeed Tues-Thurs.



News

DTA World Cup

Well done to everyone involved!

Over the past week we have held our very own Dean Trust Ardwick World Cup. It has been fantastic to see the large numbers taking part across each year group. We have seen some excellent performances and very close games to say the least. A huge well done to everyone involved and a massive shout out to our winning teams below.

Year 11: England

Zak
Joe
Fawzy
Oliver
Zak



Year 10: Nigeria

Habib
Shaheen
Eesa
Ethan
Karim
Abou



Year 9: England

Javair
Femi
Farid
Ali
Tajan
Dontay



Year 8: Japan

Amin
Yusuf
Essa
Akam
Tahir
Elijah
Yayha

Girls World Cup

Kayde
Anaiyah
Kanta
Kyra
Xante
Mahnoor
Maizie

We look forward to next week as we continue our normal team fixtures. Good luck to all pupils taking part.



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Believe Achieve Succeed

World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day 1st December, 2022



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Fundraising Week:

- Next Week's Theme of the Week is **World AIDS Day**, raising awareness and breaking up the stigma surrounding HIV in the UK.
- **#RockTheRibbon!** – Red Ribbons will be available for pupils and staff to purchase for as little as 50p for pupils and £1 per adult.
- The DTA Way means we are in support of research and want to do our bit to help end HIV in the UK.
- All donations will be sent to the National AIDS Trust UK.
- See **Mr Diaz** to get your Red Ribbon or [make a donation](#).
- **Each donation gets an extra 25p from Mr Diaz, let's make a difference together!**
- **Wear something red on the 1st December!** – Pupils and staff are encouraged to wear a red clothing items such as a scarf, hair bubble, tie, bracelet etc. This does not include make-up or nail varnish and all pupils must still wear their school uniform.



Parental Notice: Parking

Parents and Carers must not park on the double yellow lines on Daisy Mill Road under any circumstances. Parking on the double yellow lines is dangerous and can cause a serious risk to pupils at Dean Trust Ardwick, St Luke's and to other road users. Please arrange a convenient location to collect your child away from Daisy Mill Road to help keep our pupils safe.



Parental Notice: My Child At School App

Please ensure that you download our new communication app, My Child at School. The app will allow you to stay up to date with how your child is doing at school and ensure you receive all school communication, including school reports. If you require support downloading the app, please speak to reception or look out for our next drop in session.

