



NEWSLETTER

3rd April 2023

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

We have now reached the end of the Spring Term and I would like to thank you all for your continued support.

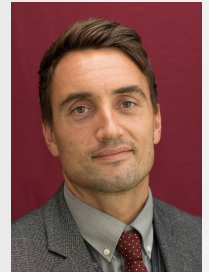
Our pupils this week have received celebratory assemblies to reward all pupils who continuously contribute to our culture of kindness and follow the schools code of conduct. I am extremely proud of all our pupils and everything they have achieved this term.

During the easter holidays we will be holding targeted revision sessions for Year 11 pupils. Your child should have received a letter on Friday with the sessions they are required to attend. I would appreciate your support in ensuring revision is taking place at home by all our year 11 pupils to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils. Please see the main body of the newsletter for the revision timetable.

I would like to take this opportunity to share the fantastic news that our Debate Mate team qualified for the national final after finishing 1st overall in the Manchester division and 2nd overall nationally. Congratulations to the team and also a big thank you to Mrs Chapman for all her hard work supporting the team. I would like to wish the team the best for the final in London!

I hope you all have a restful break and I look forward to welcoming our pupils back for the Summer Term.

Mr S Worthington.



Mr S.
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Headteacher

Diary Dates

Year 11 Revision Sessions	3rd - 6th April
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Year 11 Revision Sessions	11th - 13th April
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Year 7 – Mr Bridden *We are leading in attendance!*

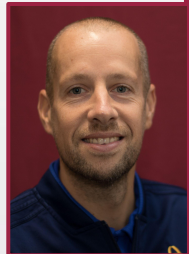
Year 7 are still championing the attendance! Thank you for all your hard work this half term and continuing to be proud to belong. When we return, please make sure your uniform standards are high, and you continue to keep us at the top of the attendance leaderboard. The year 7 team and I hope you all have a wonderful and restful break. We look forward to seeing you next half term, and hearing all about your holidays.



Year 8 – Mrs Rashford *Year 8 are championing kindness and respect!*

This half term has been a short one. We celebrated our last week with the Year 8 Achievement Assembly. I am so proud of those pupils who received recognition for consistently demonstrating being 'Proud to belong' to the DTA school community by being respectful, ready to learn and responsible for their behaviour and learning.

I wish you a restful break and look forward to seeing year 8 next half term.



Year 9 – Mr Smith *Year 9 Reach Out Groups success!*

This week the Year 9 pupils enjoyed their Achievement Assembly to celebrate the end of the term. There were some fabulous scores in the Achievement points table with Amrit, Raida, Itan, Summayah and Hanne as our top 5 pupils respectively. It was also a time to celebrate form success with Victoria being top for 'Behaviour' while Gaskell, Rylands and Piccadilly were joint winners in the 'Attendance' league! We also celebrated the success as a Year group that the pupils have amassed over 25,000 positive points this year so far, that's a 90% positive ratio compared to negative points! Well done Year 9!



Year 10 – Mr Diaz *Year 10 bowling reward for two forms!*

Congratulations to all pupils' successes this half term! We celebrated pupil achievement this week in assembly, it is my favourite assembly of the half term, putting the spotlight on what pupils have achieved over the course of this half term. It has been a busy half term with plenty to celebrate; from the Kath Fry Challenge, the bowling trip, pupils' academic achievements, trips and visits involving careers and future aspirations, and many more. An honourable mention goes Qudama who presented to the year group about the meaning of Ramadan and why it is important. He presented to the entire year group with passion and enthusiasm, captivating the year group with his speech, it was wonderful to witness this. We continue to encourage pupils to maintain high standards in uniform and appearance, at no point should pupils be turning up to school with trainers, make-up or jewellery; these items do not form part of the school uniform and will be required to be removed or confiscated. We appreciate your support in encouraging your child to maintain high standards in their uniform and appearance at all times.



KS4 Head of Year Messages

Year 11 – Mr Chetwyn *Year 11, thank you for your conduct and hard work!*

Well year 11 we made it to the end of half term 4 which means we only have 2 half terms left at Dean Trust Ardwick. Even though this half term was only 5 weeks we managed to squeeze in so much.

First of all we had 3 strike days and I just wanted to say a massive well done to the whole year group for their conduct and hard work during those days. Remember what Mr Fuller said you are now 3 days ahead of any year 11 pupils in Manchester who were not able to attend school on those days.

I always want to say a massive well done to everyone who has been using their revision booklet to structure their revision – this is an essential toolkit for you to use when you are going back over your work. Myself and Miss Martin will continue to do the draw each week next half term too for a chance to win more vouchers.

I want to thank all parents, carers and pupils who attended targeted parents eve this half term. The conversations between staff and families were very positive and impactful. We are already beginning to see a huge change in attitude to learning for some pupils. Remember we are down to 7 school weeks left after half term. Let's make those count.

I also want to say a huge thank you and well done to all the prefects for their huge commitment to their all their duties. Thank you for embracing the new duty system in the dining hall. Your help and support has been invaluable. A special mention to Abdi, Ayaana, Zaki and Tia for ensuring that prefects are always at their duty points.

Remember to spend time with your families this half term and rest !!!

A belated Ramadan Mubarak to all our Muslim families who are celebrating. I hope it is a blessed month for you all.

See you all in HT5

Safeguarding Tip

Safeguarding Tip:

If you are dreading the Easter break with the kids at home 'Manchester Young Lives' are offering Easter Clubs, youth club sessions and free gym sessions as well as lots of free activities for your children over the 2 weeks as well as offering free food parcels to families on request. The provision and activities are free and it's a first come first served.

There are 3 sites across Longsight and Moss-Side that provide gym sessions in a fully equipped gym, climbing walls, zip-wires, swings and obstacle courses that encourage active and fulfilling adventure play.

The gym is available for students aged 11+ and the play sessions are available for young people up to the age of 13.

For more information, please contact Naz on 07551151487 or email n.uddin@manchesteryounglives.org.uk

The locations are;

The Addy Young People's Centre, Moss Side Adventure, The A6 Young People's Centre

The first on will be in Ardwick 12-4pm 3-6th April - All free! Young people will need a parent / carer to register them. Moss side will be 12-4pm 11th-14th April



Year 11 Easter Revision timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 - AM 10am-12pm	French Foundation G40 English G42, G44, NDH Geography, G72	Design Technology G69 English G42, G44, G40	Design Technology G69 English G42, G44, G40	History G40, G42 Maths G44, G72, G74	Bank Holiday - Closed
Week 1 - PM 1pm - 3pm	Art 101 English G42, G44, NDH French Higher G40	Art 101 Design Technology G69 English G42, G44, G40	Design Technology G69 English G42, G44, G40	History G40, G42 Maths G44, G72, G74	
Week 2 - AM 10am-12pm	Bank Holiday - Closed		Geography G42, G44, G40 Performing Arts 153	Triple Biology G42, G44, G40 Science combined 146	
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Weekly Attendance Update

Results of the weekly attendance from Mr Chetwyn and Mrs Pett

WELL DONE YEAR 7s!



ATTENDANCE LEADERBOARD

1	YEAR 7	96.6%
2	YEAR 8	94.6%
3	YEAR 9	93.1%
4	YEAR 10	92.8%
5	YEAR 11	92.3%



Modern Foreign Languages

Year 8 are learning about Latin America!



This half term year 8s have been learning about Latin America in their Spanish lessons. Pupils have been learning answers to questions such as: where is Latin America? Why is it called *Latin America*? And which countries are located there?

We've been focusing mainly on Mexico, Argentina, Colombia and Peru and pupils have been learning about the countries' flags, capital cities, climate, wildlife, famous people and typical foods and drinks.

For their end of term assessment pupils are researching, preparing and delivering a presentation all about their chosen country.

¡Viva América Latina!

Humanities:

History:

Debate Mate - we are going to the nationals!

For History we have some fantastic news:

We run Debate Mate as a department and recently got our results back from the Urban Debate League round 1 and 2. We have placed 2nd nationally and 1st overall in the Manchester district. This means we will be going to London later this year to compete for 1st place nationally!



Geography:

Urban Change across Manchester!

Year 11's on their Human Geography field trip investigating urban change across Manchester city.



School Messages

EAL

GCSE Food Tech Exams!

I am extremely proud of my EAL students in Food Technology. They are currently finishing their practical GCSE exams and cooking delicious food.

They have worked extremely hard on their coursework over the last two years and have put in a lot of effort. It has not been easy for them because of the language barriers.

Usman, Siam and Parsa, in particular, who have recently joined us in Y11, have been relentless in improving their skills. Hanin and Hanin are amazed us with her yummy desert and some chicken tikka. Our International New Arrivals work very hard, they never use their proficiency in English as an excuse, and they are always respectful and considerate.

During this time, we collaborated extensively with Miss Kirby during our Food study. She is polite and kind, and she has always been concerned about the well-being and progress of our EAL students.

Mr Fogato - EAL



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.

