

NEWSLETTER

19th June 2023

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

We have reached the time of the academic year where we say farewell to our Year 11 pupils who have added some much to our school community. I am extremely proud of the way Year 11 have conducted themselves through an intense examination period and all the hard work they have put in.



Mr S. Worthington Headteacher

I had the pleasure of celebrating with our class of 2023 at our prom on Friday which took place at Dean Water Hotel. It was a brilliant night enjoyed by all. We will have a final celebration today to say a final goodbye during our leavers assembly.

Although we are sad to say goodbye to our current Year 11 cohort, we are extremely excited to welcome our new Year 7 pupils which will be joining DTA in September. Our new Year 7 pupils will be starting their transition in the next few weeks. We can't wait to welcome our new pupils and their families into our school community.

I would also like to wish our Year 10 pupils the best of luck for starting their end of year assessments this week.

Best of luck to our class of 2023 for the future!

Best wishes
Mr S. Worthington

Safeguarding Tip:

We wanted to make you aware of some community issues in the area of Ardwick, Longsight and neighbouring Hulme. There have been a number of arrests of young people in those areas over the last few weeks for anti-social behaviour and many of our young people are being stopped and searched especially in the evenings and when they are hanging out in groups.

Please be vigilant and talk to your child about where they are going and keep in touch with them whilst they're are out. Please don't be too alarmed as these increases of anti-social behaviour usually happen during this time of year when the nights are lighter and the weather is warmer. Know where your children are and set curfews and boundaries at home.

Diary Dates				
All Year Exams	19th - 27th June			
Dean Trust Active Challenge	20th June			
Art Exhibition 16:00-18:00	21st June			
Staff Training (School Closure)	30th June			

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Head of Year Messages



Year 7 - Mr Bridden Reflecting on a great year!

I would like to commend our Year 7 pupils for their hard work and resilience since joining DTA. The year group have really come together as part of the school community and we couldn't imagine DTA without them! One of the highlights of the year, so far, has been our residential trip which gave pupils the opportunity to try lots of new things. Some of these were out of their comfort zones but our pupils still faced these challenges head on and supported each other. This residential trip also allowed pupils to mix outside of form and lessons. We look forward to making lots more memories with this brilliant year group!



Year 8 - Mrs Rashford Year 8 revision advice!

I hope Year 8 have been revising hard for several weeks now and are well prepared for assessment week which commence week beginning Monday 16th June. During the next 2 weeks please support your child by offering positive encouragement, Ask them 'how by testing them on the facts using the subject knowledge organisers. Provide a space for revision without distraction.



Year 9 - Mr Smith Year 9 are starting formal exams!

The Year 9 pupils have had another busy week – particularly enjoying the sunshine! Next week are the start of the formal exams and I'm sure the pupils have been revising in preparation for this. We try to ensure the environment for the exams is as similar to the real situation when they are in Year 11 as possible so they get used to being in the Main Exam Hall with external invigilators.

There is also the upcoming deadline for the end of year trips to consider which is due next Wednesday (21st) – please can trip letters be returned by this date and payments made on the MYCAS app.

Mr Smith.

Head of Year Messages

Year 10 – Mr Diaz Year 10 have assigned their prefects for year 11!



This week Year 10 prepare for their GCSE Mock Exams, which are vital in paving their way beyond DTA. GCSE Mock Exams will support pupils in receiving their predicted GCSE Grades from their subjects which pupils will consequently use in order to apply for college. It's important that pupils get into the habit of revision now. We have also congratulated new Year 10 Prefects on their application, 55 successful pupils have received their Prefect Role Awards this week and their ties will soon arrive. I will be inviting pupils to a further celebration when their ties arrive, School Governors will also be invited to this event, watch this space! During the warm weather, we encourage pupils to ensure they bring a refillable water bottle to school, so they can stay hydrated throughout the day. 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.



Year 11 – Mr Chetwyn Year 11's are reaching the end of the road!

Year 11 we have come to our last ever newsletter entry. You have made it to the top of your mountain and I am so proud of you all.

Prom on Friday was a huge hit – pupils and teachers all had a fantastic time celebrating year 11s achievements. Some highlights were Mr Chetwy, Mr Fuller and Mr Worthington showing their moves on the dance floor.

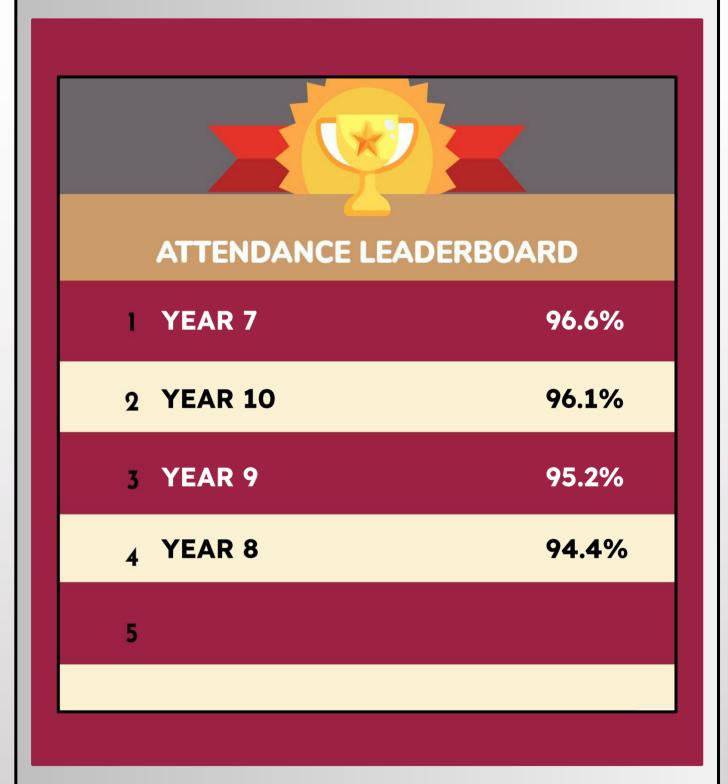
Year 11, it has been an absolute pleasure and we wish you all the luck in your future endeavours!

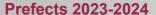
Attendance

Weekly Attendance Update

Results of the weekly attendance from Mr Chetwyn and Mrs Pett

WELL DONE YEAR 7s!





Please see below for our year 10 prefects!



For your successful application to the role of Prefect.

13th June 2023



J. Diaz

Congratulations to...

Abdelatif D.	Ashley A.	Mawaheb A.	Romayo B.	Tasnim A.
Abdirizak A.	Aysha A.	Mohamed S.	Ronica M.	Thomas A.
Adriana D. S.	Christabel G.	Muhammad A.	Rouida I.	Yeanoor F.
Aisha S.	Christopher M. L.	Muhammad R.	Sakina B.	Yuosuf K.
Ajwad H.	Diane A.	Hasan S.	Samruddhi G.	Zarrish Q.
Akhlaqur M. B.	Emmanuella A.	Prezwant K.	Samuel A.	
Ali I.	Ferdous A.	Qudama G.	Samuel U.	
Amin A.	Gurpal A.	Ramaya A.	Savana H.	
Ammar A.	Habib A.	Renee B.	Shaheera T.	
Armina U.	Tariq M.	Risal M.	Summer M.	

Art

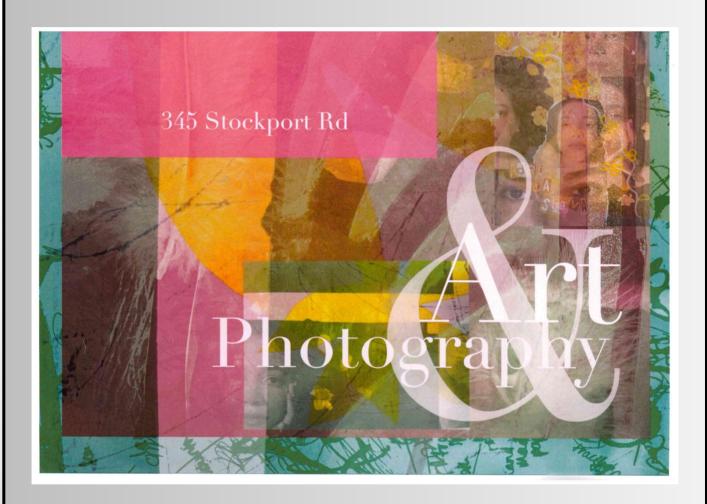
GCSE Work Exhibition!

We will be holding our annual GSCE Exhibition for Art and Photography. Please see the details below:

Wednesday 21st June

4pm-6pm

Dean Trust Ardwick Main Hall



Author Visit

Miss Santos organised a guest speaker for our year 10s!

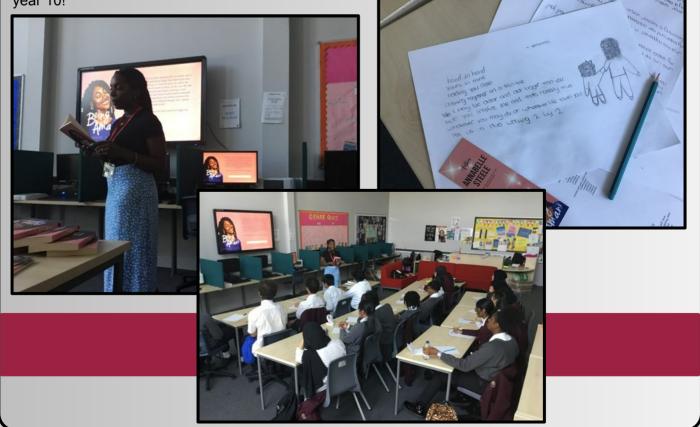
On Tuesday, we had a visit from a local author named Annabelle Steele. She came in to run writing workshops with some of our year 10 pupils. We learnt a little about Annabelle's life (she grew up round the corner from DTA!) and listened to her read a couple of short extracts from her brilliant novel, 'Being Amani'. It is a novel which deals with lots of themes that might affect young people, such as friendships, family, belonging and mental health.

Our year 10s were asked to take part in two different tasks. First, they had to write a mindfulness poem about something which was important to them. We had loads of excellent and thoughtful ideas. Some people wrote about what made them unique, others wrote poems of encouragement for themselves and others. Some pupils were even brave enough to share their incredible writing by reading it to the group. It was lovely to see how mature and positive our pupils could be.

Next, they were asked to write a response to an extract from 'Being Armani'. Some pupils chose to continue the story, while others delved deeper into Amani's mindset and wrote a diary thinking about the event in the extract. A few even wrote letters to Amani to give her some advice on how to navigate her tricky situation. Once again, our year 10s showed off their writing talents and Annabelle was extremely impressed.

The workshops were really interesting and engaging and gave our pupils an excellent opportunity to work with a professional author. Everyone left feeling proud of what makes them unique and, hopefully, with some ideas on how writing might help and inspire them as they go through life.

Thank you for coming to visit us, Annabelle! And thank you for your enthusiasm and fantastic behaviour, year 10!



Science

British Science Week Poster Winners!

Anaf and Rayan, in Year 7,received their winners certificates and prize books for the British Science Week poster competition. They worked hard to display their take on "connections"; the theme of this year's Science Week, creating a colourful and informative poster on the five senses.

Year 11s have been revising for their GCSE exams. Well done to all pupils completing all six Science exams! Good luck for results day in August. All other year groups have also been preparing for the end of year assessments. We wish all pupils success and are here to support with revision and help if it is needed



Manchester United Foundation

Podcast Series: My Brain and I!

This week three year 10 pupils visited local youth centre HideOut to host another episode of Dean Trust Ardwick's podcast series; My Brain and I. The pupils were left to host their own episodes were they spoke about the school's culture of kindness and the pressure on teenagers.



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.

