

# NEWSLETTER

#### **Head of School Message**

Dear Parents and Careers,

We have continued to make a successful start to the school year. Teachers 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.



Mr S Worthingtor Headteacher

We have now published the school's extra curricular timetable. We encourage all pupils to take advantage of these opportunities and to attend at least one extra-curricular activity. Please see the timetable in the main body of the newsletter.

We are holding a Post-16 event (Thursday 21st September 4pm-6pm) for our Year 9, 10 and 11 pupils and their families, to meet representatives from post-16 providers (colleges, sixth forms, apprenticeship employers), get guidance around courses and options beyond DTA. Your child will also be able to access advice and support around choosing pathways and completing applications to post-16 providers, including apprenticeships. It is extremely important that all of our KS4 pupils attend! More information on the event is included within this week's newsletter.

Please note that next Thursday (28th 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.

Finally, we are now on Instagram! Please follow our page @dt\_ardwick for regular updates.

Kind Regards
Mr. S Worthington
Head of School

## **Diary Dates**

Post 16 Evening- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September History Trip Shrewsbury Prison- 26<sup>th</sup> September Open Evening- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September Year 7 Welcome Evening- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October Half Term Break begins- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

### **Head of Year Messages**



#### Year 7 - Miss Martin

Well done year 7 on completing your first full week at Dean Trust Ardwick. You have all been inducted in to the DTA way now. This weekend I want you to think about what you can personally do to contribute to the DTA way.

This week we had our first official assembly as a year group and the pupils were very respectful in this. Pupils received information on the school day and the expectations that they are now expected to be on time to school (8.35) and on time to lessons. Pupils also received information on the upcoming year 7 residential to Outwards bound Ullswater for two nights in November. Pupils received a letter today, therefore, if you child is interested in participating in this trip, it is essential that you sign the consent form and return it as soon as possible as this trip is a first come, first basis. Pupils will also be required to pay a sum of £50 to fund the trip. One final notice – if pupils are looking to participate in a club after school it is essential that pupils inform parents and carers in advance of this club taking place so that we can account for where all pupils are at all times.

Please can I ask that parents and carers arrange with pupils in advance of the school day what pick up arrangements are, so that pupils know if they can walk home alone or need to wait to be picked up. Have a great weekend.



#### Year 8 - Mr Bridden

Our first full week back has been completed.

It has been great to see pupils getting back in to the routines of school and being ready, respectful and responsible.

We will be celebrating Year 8 starts of the week next week so I will be looking forward to sharing some of our celebrations with you.



#### Year 9 - Mrs Rashford

We have completed a week already at Dean Trust Ardwick. I am happy to say that Year 9 have come back ready and willing to learn. Which is a pleasing start to the academic year. I would like to welcome Ms Mohammed, Mr Richards, Mr Cooper and Ms Chowdhury who are joining the Year 9 team as form tutors. As we are starting a new academic year I would like to remind you of the importance of ensuring that your child is fully equipped with a full pencil case and pupil passport every day.



#### Year 10 - Mr Smith

The Year 10's have made a great start in the first 2 weeks of school showing a great enthusiasm for their new examination subjects. The focus and attitude they have demonstrated to their learning gives us real hope for a successful year ahead!

In the assembly this week Miss Aulich outlined the new opportunities there are for the pupils in the year ahead. There are so many pupils who have great leadership skills in Year 10 and I know many of them will step up to the mark!

Let's try and keep up the great start as we move through the rest of the first half term.



#### Year 11 - Mr Diaz

This is now your final year at DTA, an incredibly important year for us all as we prepare for our GCSE examinations. It's important that our focus on the end goal never wavers. Make sure that when we get to June and your time to leave comes, that you leave with no regrets! I feel incredibly privileged to have seen you all grow from way back when we met in Year 7 and I know once again, you will make me the proudest Head of Year there has ever been! This year will throw many challenges our way but together I know we will achieve great things. Remember, nothing and nobody can prevent success as long as you work hard and believe in yourself. Think positive. Be positive. Feel Positive

#### Mr Beaumont - Head of P.E

We've had a fantastic start to our PE lessons with pupils being introduced to our new outdoor adventurous activity's unit. Also, our extra-curricular has started this week and we've seen a great turnout at all the clubs, particularly at football trials throughout the week! Well done to all those pupils that have attended this week.







## **Extra Curricular Activity Schedule**

# **CHAPTER 18**

# EXTRACURRICULAR

TIME

DEAN TRUST ARDWICK - EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Lunchtime Clubs (12:50pm - 1:15pm) (Get your lunch before the club)

Lunch 12:50pm - 1:15pm

After School Clubs (3:10pm - 4:30pm)

After School 3:10pm - 4:30pm School Show Rehearsals 159 School Show Rehearsals 159

DTA Choir 159 Christian Union 173

Basketball Training Sports Hall Table Tennis Club Sports Hall

Year 8 + 9 Football Training Astro-turf

Netball Club New MUGA

> Chess Club G04

Crest Club 169

Science Club Year 7 + 8 168

Sports Studies Booster Year 10 E101

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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Lunchtime Clubs	(12:50pm - 1:15pm) (Get your lunc	h before the club)
Piano Club 153		
A	fter School Clubs (3:10pm - 4:30pr	m)
School Show Rehearsals 159	School Show Rehearsals 159	School Show Rehearsals 159
Creative Writing Club	Year 7 Football Training Astro-turf	Fun Football Astro-turf
Year 10 Football Training Astro-turf	Girls Basketball Sports Hall	Badminton Club Sports Hall
Handball Sports Hall		Year 11 Football Training Astro-turf
Girls Football Astro-turf		
Sports Studies Booster Year 11 E101		



# GCSE & POST-16 EVENING













215t September 4pm-6pm

Please join us at our welcome event to provide information around GCSEs, vocational qualifications, exams and guidance for revision.

Your child will have a chance to meet representatives from post16 providers (colleges, sixth forms, apprenticeship employers), get guidance around courses and options beyond DTA. Staff will be available to provide advice and support around choosing pathways and completing applications to post16 providers including apprenticeships.

Who should attend?
All pupils in Years 11, 10 and 9 with parents and carers



# DIARY FOR THE YEAR

### **Autumn Term**

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Half-Term School closes: Friday 20 October 2023 Half-Term School opens: Monday 30 October 2023

Monday 30th October 2023

Wednesday 20th December 2023

Christmas holiday School closes: Wednesday 20 December 2023

Christmas holiday School opens: Thursday 4 January 2024

## **Spring Term**

Thursday 4th January 2024

Friday 16th February 2024

Half-Term School closes: Friday 16 February 2024 Half-Term School opens: Monday 26 February 2024

Monday 26th February 2024

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Easter holiday School closes: Wednesday 27th March 2024 Easter holiday School opens: Monday 15 April 2024