



DEAN TRUST Ardwick

NEWSLETTER

Head of School Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed our Year 10 parents and carers into school for Parents Evening. This was an opportunity to meet our staff and to receive the important information and guidance for the rest of the year. This was a well attended event, and I hope it was found useful and informative by everyone who attended.



Mr S Worthington
Headteacher

Our assemblies this week centred around the themes of Pupil Parliament and Pupil Voice. The launch of the DTA Parliament this academic year has empowered pupils to engage in meaningful discussions within their forms, year councils, parliament sessions, and finally in meetings with myself. Each form group had the chance to interact through a Google Form, expressing the changes they'd like to see at DTA. Led by the Head and Deputy Head pupils, the DTA Parliament discussed the issues raised by each year group, proposing potential solutions. The common concerns and the changes for next Term were presented to all pupils.

I am very excited to see our pupils perform in 'Matilda' next week. I hope to see all of you there, to witness the hard work and dedication of our Performing Arts Faculty, and of course our pupils who have been putting all their efforts into perfecting the show.

Just a reminder of the arrangements for the end of term, the school will close from 12:00pm on Wednesday 20th December, with the expectations that all pupils will have left site by 12:30pm.

Please look out for next weeks newsletter, which will be the final one of this term.

Kind Regards
Mr S. Worthington
Head of School

Follow us on X (Twitter) and Instagram, @dt_ardwick for regular updates!

Diary Dates

Matilda Public Show- 13th December from 5:30pm
Matilda Public Show- 14th December from 5:30pm
School finishes- 20th December at 12:00pm
School re-opens- 4th January

Head of Year Messages



Year 7 – Miss Martin

Year 7 we have reached the penultimate week of term 1. I can't believe it this term has flown back. This week year 7 had an opportunity to realign themselves with the DTA way. I held an assembly on Monday, explicitly talking year 7 through the DTA way and expectations in lessons and during unstructured time. I have noticed a significant improvement in year 7s conduct across the curriculum. This is reflected in the year group's total positive points for this week. The year group achieved a total of 1044 positive points this week in comparison to 687 last week. Well done year 7 ! This week, we also had the opportunity to announce the next level November winners in assembly well done to Bridgewater and Turing for coming first and second. Remember to let Miss Martin know which prize your form would like on Monday. Have a fantastic weekend



Year 8 – Mr Bridden

Year 8's have overall had a fantastic week this. As the weather starts to drop I would recommend you sending your child in with a coat to wear at break times and lunch times if they would like to be outside. As we approach the final few weeks of term and days are becoming colder and greyer it is really important that we are still in school everyday as to not miss out on content in lessons. Also we will be having our achievement assembly next Thursday so it's crucial our pupils attendance stay high.



Year 9 – Mrs Rashford

Congratulations to 9Y Turing who were the form who won Next Level November. They will be receiving their Form prize next week. Well done to the Year 9 boys football team. They played against William Hulme school and won by 8 – 1. I look forward to celebrating many more wins ahead.



Year 10 – Mr Smith

We had another sporting success in Year 10 last week. The boys football team beat Chorlton South 4-2 in a very competitive game. It was great to see the boys showing their determination and grit to win their 2nd game of the season and keep up their 100% record.

Our final week of 'Next Level November' also came to a close with a tightly contested top 3 with the eventual winners being Miss Burton's Turing! I'm sure they'll enjoy their form prize once they've decided what to pick!



Year 11 – Mr Diaz

As the year progresses so do Year 11 in their GCSE journey and approaching the inevitable GCSE exams. Over the course of recent weeks, Year 11 have engaged well and proactively with their Form Time Revision Programme, with a focus on English, Maths and Science. Every Friday, as of this week, pupils have engaged in Option Subject revision sessions during form time. This has been a true success in re-focusing pupils in the morning, this is additionally setting the tone for the day for pupils, working in a calm environment. In the winter months, it is natural that pupils want to wrap up warm with coats, scarves and gloves, please ensure your child is reminded to maintain high standards of uniform at all times, ensuring they attend school in full uniform, in addition to their winter clothes.

Dean Trust Ardwick Proudly Presents.... 'Matilda Jr'.

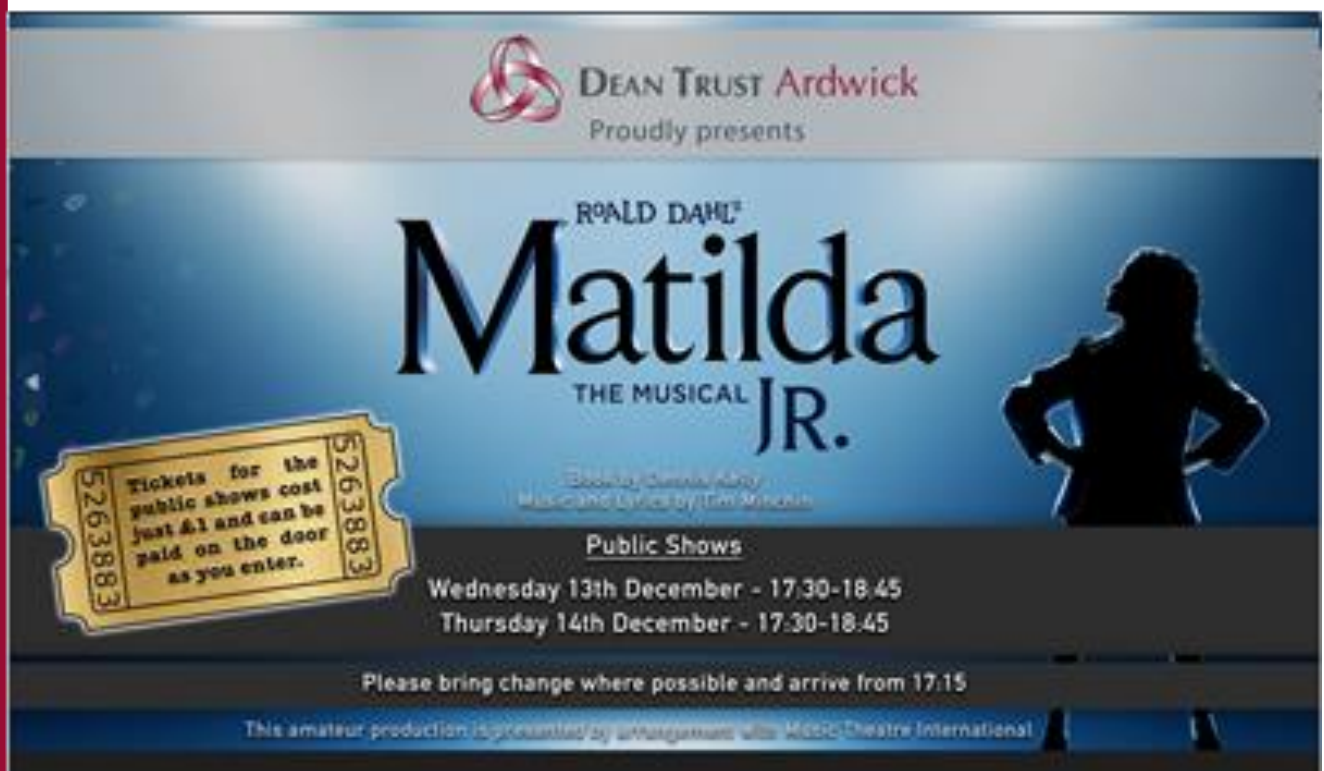
Our annual production takes place in the penultimate week of this term and we are very excited for the performances. There are 2 performances that pupils, friends and family are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 13th December 17.30pm-18.45pm

Thursday 14th December 17.30pm-18.45pm

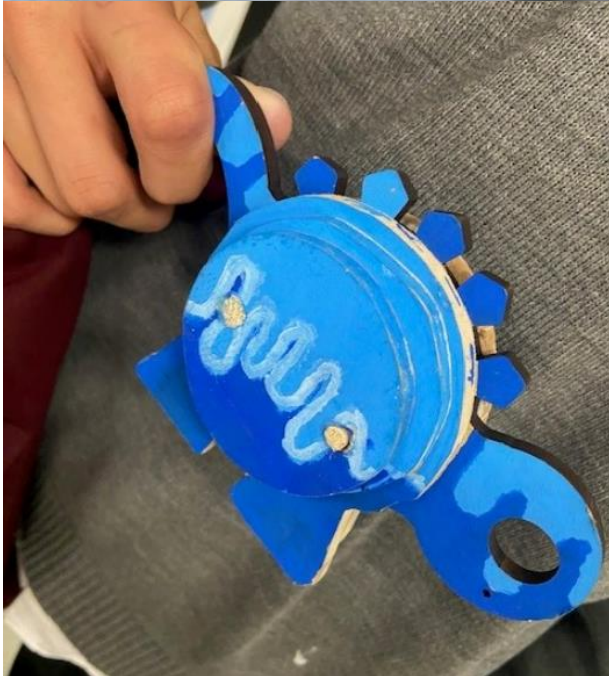
Tickets cost just £1 and can be purchased at the door as you enter. Please bring change where possible arrive at reception from 17.15pm

Come along to see our extremely talented pupils!



Technology

This term in Technology the Year 9 pupils completed their 'Does it connect?' project, this project was based around working in teams to batch produce a set of dinosaur pieces that assemble together as part of a dinosaur puzzle toy. Each member of the team was responsible for creating a certain component of the puzzle for their team that was then put together in their final assembly lesson. The Year 9 pupils worked really hard on this project and produced some fantastic results and further developed their practical skills



Physical Education

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Design Technology

This term the Year 7 pupils finished their 'Signs' project where they each learned about different types of Typography. They utilised their learning to create their own shop signs for a selection of shops. The Year 7's were really excited to see their shop signs come to life and test them out on a mock up shop front.



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