

## NEWSLETTER

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Eid Mubarak to all our pupils, families and the wider community who were celebrating over the break! I hope everyone had a blessed and wonderful day.



I would also like to welcome back all our pupils after the Easter Holidays. We have had a productive first week of the summer term with all our pupils maintaining high standards and showing commitment to their learning.

I would like to take this opportunity to stress the importance of attendance for the rest of the academic year. Please encourage your child to maintain high levels of attendance and punctuality.

With only a short time left until the start of the GCSE examinations, it is important more than ever for our Year 11 pupils to be attending master class sessions and working hard at home to ensure they achieve the grades they have worked so hard for.

At the end of the holy month of Ramadan, we would like to celebrate with our local community. Last year, we held our first Eid fair and this year we would like to make it bigger and better and so we would like to request your help. The fair will take place Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 4.30pm-6.30pm. All money raised from the fair will go towards humanitarian aid in Gaza and 422 Community Hub following requests from pupils and parents. 422 Community Hub very generously offered their facilities to us to support us during the fire incident and we would like to show our appreciation.

Kind Regards Mr S. Worthington Head of School

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updates!

#### **Diary Dates**

Reach Out Trip Year 9 and 10- 10am-1pm (25.4.24)

May Day Bank Holiday (6.5.24)

Year 8 Parents Evening (9.5.24)

#### **Head of Year Messages**



#### Year 7 – Miss Martin

Year 7 have had an excellent start to the summer term. They demonstrated the DTA way consistently this week through their ready to routines in lessons and have been meeting all expectations. This week we also had year 7 parents evening. This was a really purposeful event where parents got to come in to school and meet their child's teachers for the first time. The turnout was really positive and I just want to take a minute to thank all parents and carers for taking the time to attend. It was an excellent opportunity to get an update on how your child has been doing academically as well as socially at school. Polite reminder that if year 7 want to play football at lunch time they must bring their trainers to play on the muga. You have set the bar high for this half term year 7, keep up the excellent work. Have a lovely weekend



#### Year 8 - Mr Bridden

I would like welcome back all pupils, hoping you had a restful break and Eid Mubarak to all pupils and families that celebrated. Thank you for continuing to living out the DTA values! 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 9 - Mrs Rashford

Year 11 pupils will start their official GCSE exams this half term which makes me realise just how quick time is going – it will soon be year 9 pupils in this position! In preparation for this, and as you are aware, Year 9 completed the options process just before the Easter break. All students have now chosen their GCSE options to start in September of this year. We had a really successful last term and hope to continue this in our final term of the academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support, in particular during the options process. I am really looking forward to pupils growing in their education with the options they have chosen starting in September.



#### Year 10 - Mr Smith

It was lovely to welcome back the pupils from their Easter break and listening to all the stories of how they celebrated the various religious festivals that occured during the holiday break, the pupils seem well rested and keen to take on the challenges of the final term of the year. This week the Year 10 pupils started the 'Project 6:24' during form time. This is a project to help them learn revision strategies and tools in preparation for their upcoming mock exams and their future examinations in Year 11. We hope by learning the most effective ways to recall and revise the information they have learnt through their courses they will be able to gain a greater chance of success in future exams. They will be following this project every Thursday during form time.



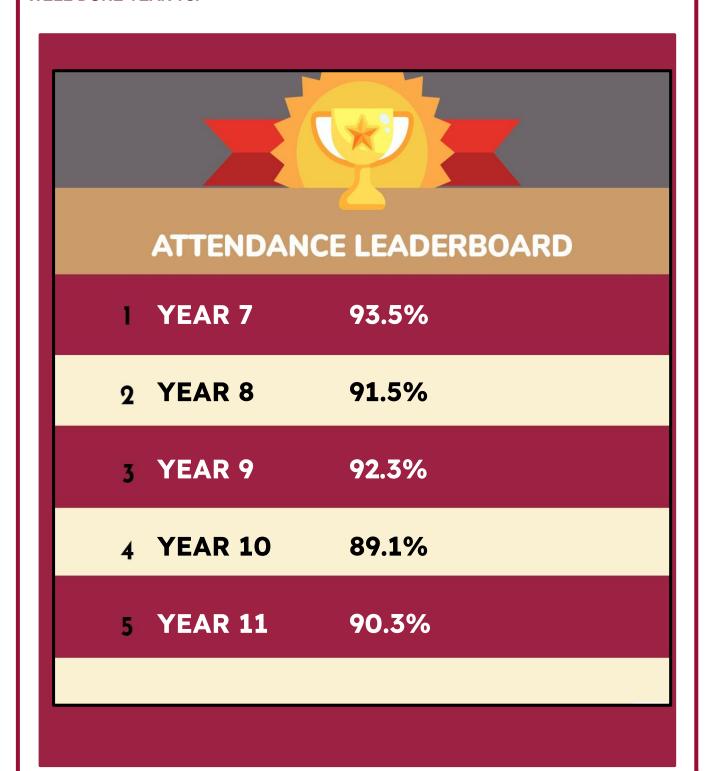
#### Year 11 – Mr Diaz

As we get closer to the national GCSE examinations, it is natural that pupils begin to feel pressure and may become demotivated, please direct your child to a trusted member of staff for further support and encourage them to create a revision timetable at home. Masterclasses and other support for Year 11 have resumed this week which pupils can take full advantage of in order to support their progress. We have two deadlines approaching, Friday 19th April is the deadline for pupils to bring payment to make their final orders for the Class of 2024 Year Book and/or Hoodie; the second deadline is the deposit for Prom, which is fast approaching, deposits are to be paid online to secure your child's place for Prom. Please check your 'My Child At School' app.

#### **Weekly Attendance Update**

Results of the weekly attendance from Mr Fuller

#### **WELL DONE YEAR 7s!**



#### **DTA Community Iftar**

We recently held a community iftar at school. Sharing in breaking the fast together allowed us to deeply appreciate the significance of the occasion, further solidifying our connections with our families.





#### **Child Development**

Year 10 pupils visited St Luke's Nursery as part of their Child Development coursework. They engaged with the pupils with enthusiasm, learnt about developmental milestones and will be returning next week to deliver a series of activities. Our pupils conducted themselves with maturity, diligence and sensitivity, which the St Luke's pupils responded really well to. We're very proud of our Year 10 cohort and see many of them having successful future careers within child care settings.



#### **Religious Education**

At the end of last term R.E GCSE class have been discussing and reflecting on the month of Ramadan. Pupils shared personal experiences why fasting allows Muslims to develop a deeper understanding of the challenges and difficulties faced by those who are less fortunate than themselves. Pupils revisited their core knowledge on why observance of Ramadan is written in the Quran and has remained unchanged since the days of early Islam. Opportunities were given to share teachings and practices providing a link between past, present and future Islamic understandings. Thoughts were shared around the commemoration of the revelation of the Quran to the Prophet Muhammad P.B.U.H and how Muslims continue to participate in the month of Ramadan across the world and our local communities



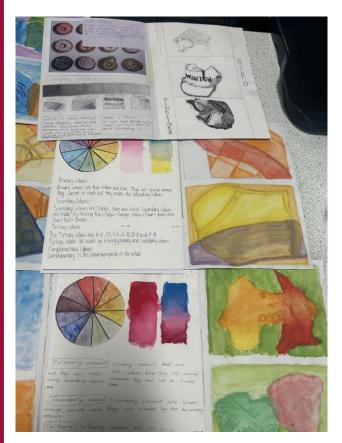
#### **Performing Arts- School Production**

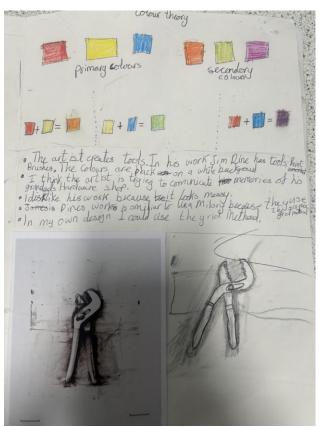
Following the huge success of our last production, 'Matilda', we are extremely excited to announce our next production will be 'Frozen'. Rehearsals have already begun, with over 40 pupils in the cast. The performances will take place in November and promises to be as good as 'Matilda', if not better. Watch this space for further information.

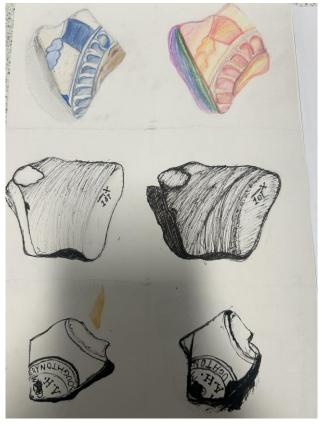


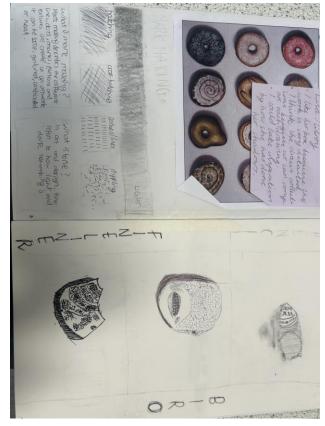
#### **Art and Design**

Some amazing work completed using paint, pencil and pen.









#### **Maths**

As a school we've now reached over 2,000,000 questions answered on Sparx Maths for the year! This has come from over 22,000 hours of personalised online homework being completed, equating to almost 17 hours per pupil!

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## 413 students

have already improved at their times tables this year. Great job!



**Sparx Maths** 

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Students in your school have completed

22,331 hours

of personalised learning on Sparx Maths this year!

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#### P.E- Extra-Curricular

We have had a great start to the term in PE with lots of engagement both in the Curriculum and Extra-Curricular. Our Extra-Curricular Timetable has changed for Term 3 in preparation for summer competitions including the Dean Trust Games, Dean Trust Active Challenge and others. Pupils should be attending at least 1 club per week, we look forward to seeing more pupils attend!

	<u>Monday</u>	
Lunch 12:50 – 13:15pm	Basketball Club Mr Beaumont NEW MUGA	
After-school 3:10 – 4:20pm		
	Basketball Club Adrian Basketball Coach Sports Hall	

<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>		
Lunchtime Clubs (12.50pm – 13.15pm) (Get your lunch before the club)					
Basketball Club	Basketball Club	Basketball Club	Cricket Club		
Miss Thomas	Miss Murphy	Miss Henshall	Mr Singh		
NEW MUGA	NEW MUGA	NEW MUGA	NEW MUGA		
Afte	After School Clubs (3.10pm – 4.20pm)				
Yr 10 & Yr 8 Football Mr Smith & Mr Baker Astro-turf	Yr 9 Football & Girls Football Mr Samuels & Miss Thomas Astro-turf	Yr 7 Football Mr McCabe Astro-turf	Friday Fun Football KS3 and KS4 6 aside-league Mr Beaumont, Mr McCabe, Mr Baker Astro-turf		
Cricket Club Mr Singh Sports Hall	Badminton Club Rounders Club (Once Yr 11 Exams Start) Miss Henshall Sports Hall				
Athletics Club Mr Beaumont & Miss Thomas MUGA (Indoor CR)		Netball Club Miss Murphy MUGA			

# Family

## Support available

0-19 years (25 Years SEND)

We work in the local community supporting families with children between the ages of 0 – 19 years (25 years SEND) and expectant mothers.

We provide a range of information, advice, guidance and support to families to access services in the Family Hub, and the local area to support their children to develop and thrive.

- Information about groups and activities for families with children aged 0 19 years (25years SEND).
- · Information and guidance with families with children with SEND.
- · Assisting in nursery, primary school and secondary school applications.
- · Supporting parents who are new to the area (Cheetham and Crumpsall).
- · Providing information about courses available in the Family Hub and the local area.
- · Information about adult learning opportunities.
- · Information about volunteering, peer support and work experience opportunities.
- Support with accessing information and guidance to help with managing children's behavior (e.g. Parenting programmes etc.).
- Information and advice on Antenatal, wearing, immunizations, breastfeeding, toilet training, and healthy eating
- Information and advise around family health, mental health, wellbeing activities/services and financial support/budgeting skills.
- Child safety information and referral for free home safety equipment (subject to eligibility).
- Support for families in hardship to get essential household items, including white goods, clothing, baby equipment (subject to eligibility).
- · Information on after school, holiday schemes.

#### Referrals to other agencies for additional support such as

- Adult education & Counselling,
- · Housing & Benefit advice
- · Support and assistance to fill in forms

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE FAMILY HUB IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY HUB TEAM OR RING 0191 248 1500



OFFICE OPENING 0930-1300 Monday & Thursday
OPEN FOR PARCEL COLLECTION 1100-1300 Monday & Thursday
or 5-6.30pm Wednesday by appointment.

Transformation Community Resource Centre 11 Richmond Grove Longsight Manchester M13 OLN (Behind Longsight Police Station)

07853-553732 / 0161 273 3977

(during opening hours or leave message)

info@ardwickandlongsightfoodbank.org.uk

- Providing food parcels for people who do not have the means to feed themselves or their family.
- We can provide up to 5 full-week food parcels in six months from the date of their first referral. We also aim to find appropriate ongoing support, and provide information around other free food provision locally.
- For more information and to refer someone to us, please go to our website and use the online referral form: www.ardwickandlongsightfoodbank.org.uk

## 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