



# DEAN TRUST *Ardwick*

Part of a group of high performing schools



**Prospectus**

Believe Achieve Succeed

# Welcome

Dean Trust Ardwick is the latest addition to the Dean Trust family of schools and is a brand new school in Manchester. The Dean Trust has a proven track record of sustained improvements in schools as well as positive gradings with Ofsted.

## 'Believe, Achieve, Succeed'

has been embraced by all of the schools within the Dean Trust. We have proved the power of these words with record breaking examination results and praise in Ofsted inspections.

Dean Trust Ardwick embraces traditional values and high aspirations with a 'no nonsense' approach to behaviour. Complementing the brand new £24m building is a very well qualified teaching and support team that will make best use of the innovative learning environment. Underpinning our ambition for high standards is our commitment to an inclusive and caring community of which parents and carers can be proud.

We are delighted that you are considering entrusting your child to Dean Trust Ardwick. Our aim is to work in partnership with all parents and we will always be pleased to meet with you to discuss your child's education. We welcome each child to be part of a school community that will strive to provide a happy, safe and stimulating environment.



*Suzanne Finlay  
Headteacher*



*Tarun Kapur CBE,  
Chief Executive, The Dean Trust*

**The support and guidance provided by the Chief Executive and Academy Principal and by other staff from the other schools in The Dean Trust has been instrumental in raising standards.**

*Ofsted, Forest Gate Academy 2014*

# The Dean Trust

## Traditional values at the heart of all our work

Over the years we have developed a culture of excellence across our organisation that has provided fantastic opportunities for pupils in our primary and secondary schools.

The Dean Trust's core values include traditional academic education, excellent discipline and respect, contributing to improved attainment and progress.

Dean Trust Ardwick opened in September 2015 with a small cohort of enthusiastic and happy Year 7 pupils whom are benefiting from a remarkable, handpicked team of teachers and support staff.

### What we offer

#### Believe

We believe that we should work with other high quality businesses who will challenge and support us and provide key pathways for our pupils.

#### Achieve

A curriculum and extra curricular programme that, challenges, engages and meets pupils' needs and aspirations. Pupils will be given the support they need to achieve their goals.

#### Succeed

It is vital that when our pupils leave Dean Trust Ardwick that they all succeed in gaining a place at college, with a training provider or in employment. We have a clear plan in place for all of our pupils.

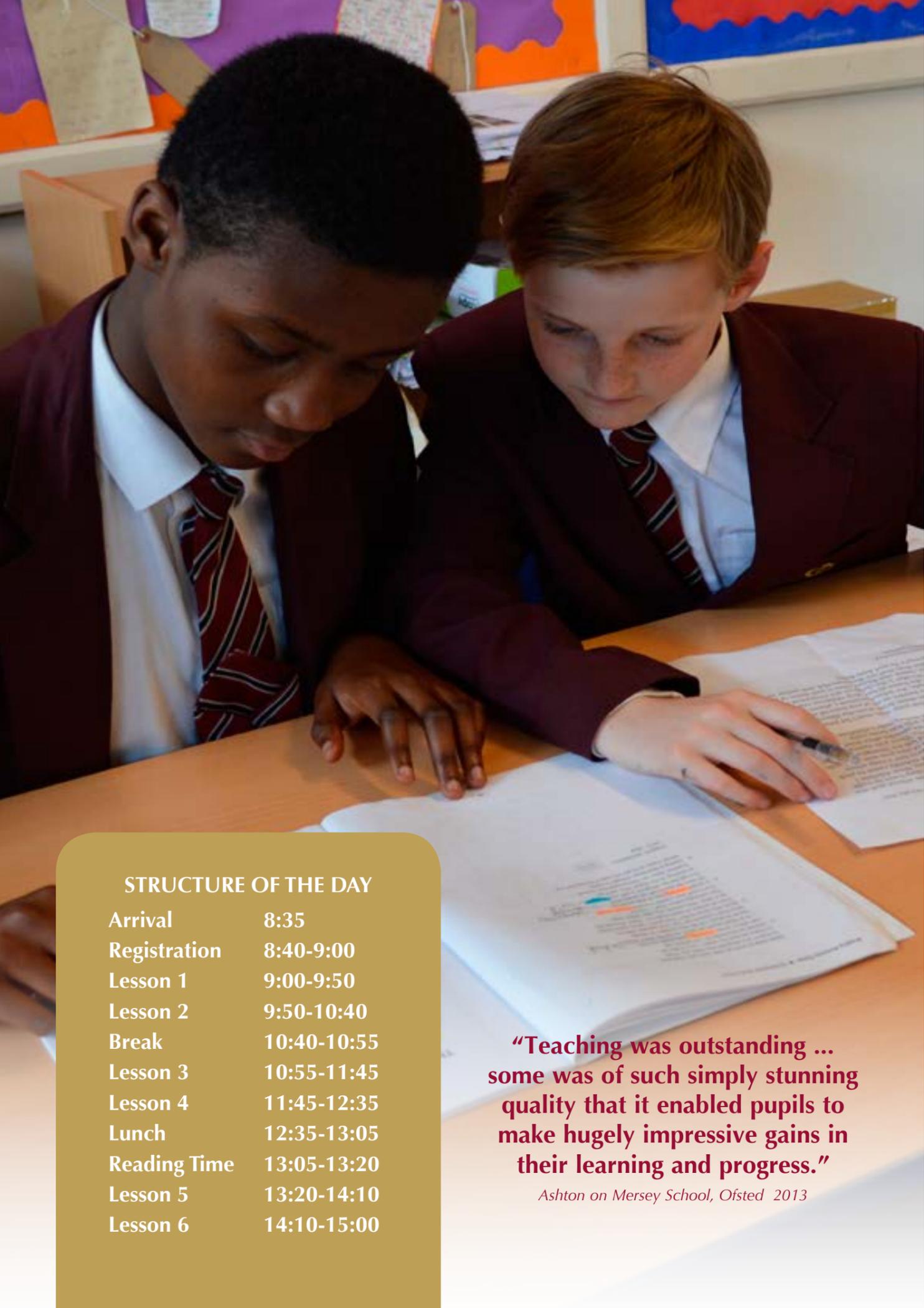


## Moving from primary school

**We know that both children and parents feel concerned about the prospect of transition to secondary school. We will make sure the transition is as smooth as possible by offering:**

- ◆ A personal appointment if requested, with the Headteacher, Ms S Finlay.
- ◆ A full induction programme for all Year 6 children during the summer term.
- ◆ A guarantee of existing friends being sensitively grouped in classes.
- ◆ Outstanding continuity of pastoral care, led by a team of people who can offer advice and support in both curricular and extra curricular time.
- ◆ A summer school providing an extra boost in literacy and numeracy ready for secondary education.
- ◆ Close links with all of the other Dean Trust Schools, all of which are rated as 'Outstanding' or 'Good' by Ofsted





# Curriculum

Dean Trust Ardwick will move into a state-of-the-art new building in September 2016. The building will house superb facilities for all curriculum areas, including outstanding spaces for sports, music, performing arts, science and technology.

Pupils will learn in a truly inspirational learning environment, enhanced with cutting-edge technology throughout. As part of our next Year 7 group, your child would be amongst the first to experience them. Our key partners in industry and technology will help to support your child in linking the academic to the world of work.



### STRUCTURE OF THE DAY

Arrival	8:35
Registration	8:40-9:00
Lesson 1	9:00-9:50
Lesson 2	9:50-10:40
Break	10:40-10:55
Lesson 3	10:55-11:45
Lesson 4	11:45-12:35
Lunch	12:35-13:05
Reading Time	13:05-13:20
Lesson 5	13:20-14:10
Lesson 6	14:10-15:00

**“Teaching was outstanding ... some was of such simply stunning quality that it enabled pupils to make hugely impressive gains in their learning and progress.”**

*Ashton on Mersey School, Ofsted 2013*

Our curriculum is designed to ensure that all pupils achieve to the very best of their ability. Lessons are tailored to meet the needs of all learners and are engaging, fast paced and fun. Pupils are taught skills and strategies to help them become effective, independent, resilient learners which prepares them for the different stages of school life and beyond. Literacy and numeracy will be a key part of the curriculum with time for reading incorporated into the structure of the school day.

The breadth of subjects offered ensures that pupils are able to maximise their social, moral, spiritual and cultural development. Our focus will be on personal growth, with strong discipline, an emphasis on character-building and outstanding support for each pupil as an individual.

An extensive and varied extra curricular provision is available, providing opportunities for all our pupils.



The founding and lead school of The Dean Trust is Ashton on Mersey. Ashton on Mersey is a lead Teaching School that has always achieved 'Outstanding'.

We are also very proud that our other secondary school, Broadoak and Forest Gate, our primary school are 'Good' schools. Lord Derby Academy, in Knowsley, has witnessed significant improvements and await their first inspection.

The Trust is developing a family of schools and academies, with a collaborative learning culture, which provides the very best for every child.

The Dean Trust is an organisation that provides great opportunities for pupils and staff alike. Our schools are at the heart of their communities. We aim for the Ardwick community to be proud of their local Dean Trust School.

As we continue to grow we are determined to remain an organisation of 'first choice'. We believe it is important that children are able to attend a 'Good' or 'Outstanding' local school.

**"The effectiveness of the federation leadership and management in embedding ambition and driving improvement is outstanding."**

*Ofsted, Leadership of more than one school.*

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