DEAN TRUST Ardwick

NEWSLETTER

Head of School Message

Mr S Worthington
Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to welcome back all our pupils this week, including our new cohort of Year 7 pupils.

This academic year, the school will continue to empower your child to find their purpose and thrive as a citizen of the world, so that they are provided with:

- Choices over their future.
- The opportunity to make a positive contribution to society.
- The character required to overcome the challenges they will face throughout life.

At the start of this academic year, we have been reminding pupils that they do not decide their future, they decide their habits and their habits determine their future. This is why, on a day-to-day basis, the school will continue to teach your child the right and successful way to do things with the intent that they develop the habits for success.

Our staff will do everything within their powers to support your child to be the best version of themselves. However, pupils need to take responsibility for their own personal success by subscribing to, and habituating, 'the DTA way'. Please support your child to this by encouraging them to:

- Developing and maintaining a positive mindset.
- Be respectful, ready and responsible at all times.
- Be disciplined and doing the simple things right every day, every lesson.
- Commit to their learning and become as knowledgeable as possible so that they have a choice over their future.
- Recognise that the staff are the experts and they should follow what they say 'first time, every time'.
- Reflect upon where they are on their personal journey and are considering how their experiences in school shape their future.
- Contribute to Dean Trust Ardwick's culture of kindness.

We all deserve a really successful 2024-25. Let's make that happen together, as the brilliant school and team we know ourselves to be – thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Mr. S Worthington
Head of School

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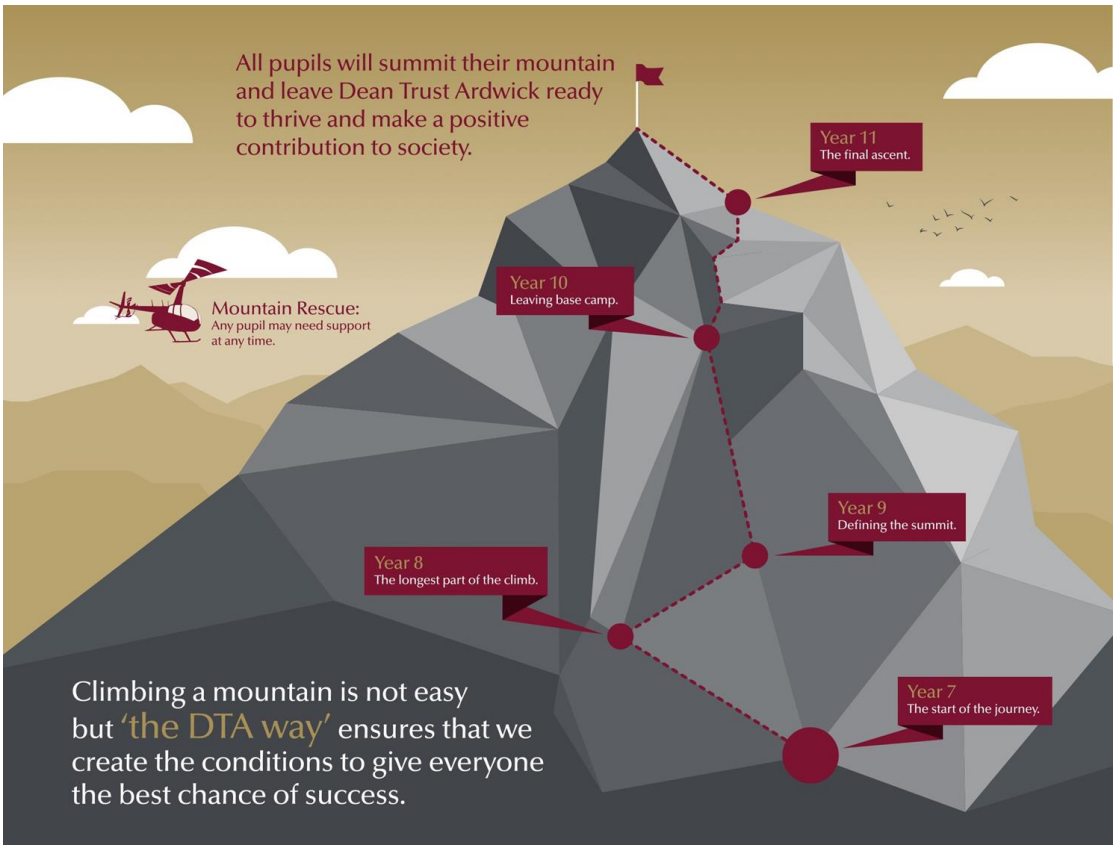
Diary Dates

16th September: Yr8 Immunisations
19th September: Post 16 evening
23rd September: School photo day
26th September: Open evening

Welcome Back!



THE DTA WAY

The road to success begins with outstanding attendance …

Attendance Percentage	Days missed in one year	Lessons missed in one year
99%	2	12
98%	4	24
95%	10	60
90%	20	120
85%	30	180
80%	40	240

Uniform

Skirt
On or below knee:
Grey box pleat

Trousers
Tailored only:
Permanent crease

Coats

Coats can be worn outside at break and lunch times only. If a pupil is seen with their coat on in school it will be confiscated.

Dark plain coats or jackets only.

Coats should not be worn inside the school building.

Skirt
Not above knee

Trousers
No fashion (e.g. skinny), canvas, brushed cotton or jeans.

Hoodies are not allowed on school site.

No jewellery

No false lashes

No makeup or false tan

No nail varnish or false nails

Wristwatch only

No 'Smart' watches

Mobile Phones

•If a pupil is seen with a mobile phone it will be confiscated by the member of staff.

•The phone will be given to reception staff where it will be placed in the school safe until Friday after school.

•Mobile phones will not be handed back to pupils at any point.

•Only a parent or legal guardian can collect confiscated phones on a Friday after school between 3.00-5.00pm

Exciting Developments:

Following the fire, we have been working hard to restore the school back to it's former glory. We have the added addition of a fitness suite, a new drama studio and new classrooms.

Term Dates…

Autumn Term		No of days
Tuesday 3rd September 2024	Friday 18th October 2024	34
Monday 28th October 2024	Friday 20th December 2024	40
Spring Term		
Monday 6th January 2025	Friday 14th February 2025	30
Monday 24th February 2025	Friday 4th April 2025	29
Summer Term		
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	Friday 23rd May 2025	23
Monday 2nd June 2025	Friday 18th July 2025	34