

Dean Trust Ardwick
presents



MACBETH

Main Hall

Tuesday 13th February 2018 | 5:00pm

with Mariam Salawu as Macbeth

Thursday 15th February 2018 | 5:00pm

with Khalid Khair as Macbeth

DTA Newsletter

Theme of the Week:
Holocaust Memorial /
Fundraising Week

Friday 19th January

Safeguarding Tip: If you cannot collect your child or if someone else will be coming instead, please notify school as soon as possible and identification may be required.

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's great to be back at DTA! I really enjoyed my four days 'Head Swap' at Dean Trust Wigan. It is a superb school and it was especially nice to meet some of the Year 10s and 11s and talk to them about their aspirations for when they finish High School. Mr McConaghie rang me to say he really enjoyed his time here at DTA. He said how impressed he was with the pupils for their fantastic attitude to learning and commented on how much pride everyone showed in our school.

We held another very successful coffee morning last Friday. Many parents and carers attended and Mr Platt talked about "Passport to Excellence" that has been launched for the pupils. Make a note in your diary of our next Coffee Morning which is on Friday 9th February, the topic is LGBT. We hope to see you there!

Macbeth tickets are now on sale. The cast is rehearsing hard for what I am sure will be a fantastic production. All pupils, parents, carers, family and friends from any of our year groups are welcome. Tickets are selling fast! Pupils can purchase tickets at break time and lunchtime.

Enjoy the rest of the articles in this week's edition.

Yours sincerely

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Theme of the Week



27th January is Holocaust Memorial Day. Holocaust Memorial Day is the day each year when we remember the six million Jewish people who were systematically persecuted and murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators during the Holocaust. On Holocaust Memorial Day, we also remember the other groups of people who were persecuted and murdered by the Nazis: Roma and Sinti people (gypsies), disabled people, gay people, Jehovah's Witnesses, political opponents and many others. Holocaust Memorial Day is when we remember the millions of men, women and children, who have been murdered in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.



The theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2018 is **the power of words**. This theme asks us all think about how words have been used for good, and for evil.

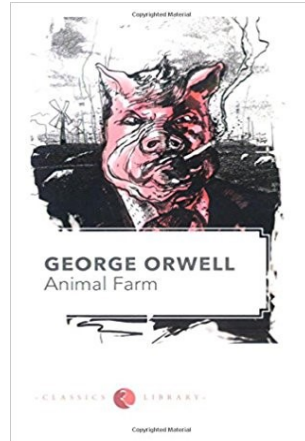
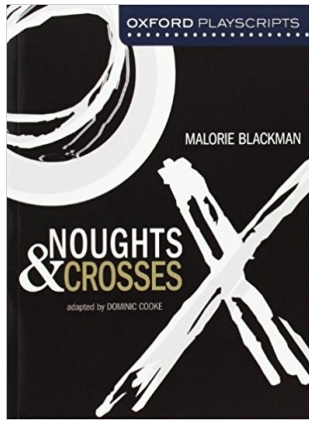
Year 7 News

Well this term is just flying by! The year group have returned from the christmas break refreshed, embracing the rich Dean Trust Ardwick community and all it has to offer. Year 7 have continued to achieve excellent attendance and merits with 7T Piccadilly gaining 100% attendance. Year 7 have achieved the best attendance throughout the school since September. This is a massive achievement. A huge well done to 7T Bridgewater gaining 174 BFL grade 1s last week. I am impressed with the standards of uniform and expect pupils to continue being in perfect uniform, well equipped and always ready and willing to learn. Thank you to all parents and carers for your support in ensuring that your child can achieve their highest academic potential.



Year 8 News

The Year 8s have been enjoying the new form time reading programme we have introduced. Each form has the same novel that they are reading together as a class each Thursday during form time. With books such as *Noughts and Crosses* by Dominic Cooke, *Animal Farm* by George Orwell and *Beast* by Ally Kennen plus many more, the Year 8s are all thoroughly engrossed in their time spent reading.



Year 9 News

The Year 9s have all started their 'Passport to Excellence' this week with enthusiasm and excitement. These awards are an excellent way to demonstrate and develop the 5 pillar values within our school vision. Parents or carers can discuss with pupils how they are progressing with their passports and challenge them to strive for the very best awards. Within the passport, attendance to school is a key achievement as time out of school equates to lost learning time. Recently, I have seen an increase in lateness and absence to school. It is vitally important that all pupils attend school every day. The Year 9s are reaching a very important milestone in their education in preparing for the demands of Year 10; maintaining an excellent attendance record is key to a successful transition. Going to bed at a reasonable time, not taking holidays in term time and making appointments, where possible, outside of school hours are all ways you can support the very best attendance for your child.

I have met and spoke with a number of Year 9 parents and carers this week and I thank you for your time. If you feel that you would like to speak with me in regards to matters relating to your son or daughter, then please contact the school so an appointment can be arranged.

I will be meeting with the Year 9 form representatives this coming week to discuss future plans for the year group as we make a smooth transition to Year 10. I am excited, as I know they are, about how they can grow and develop over these next two terms.



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Library News

Mrs Bond visited Mr Tyrrell's 8TA1 Class to share some books she loves. The pupils were very enthusiastic and keen to recommend books which they themselves had enjoyed. Mrs Bond left with an excellent shopping list which she will order straight away. In the meantime, some new fiction titles have been added to the Library shelves. All are available now but be quick, they are proving very popular.



MU Foundation

Pupils in Year 7 and 8 have been working with Mr Buckley and Miss Jones on improving their teamwork and communication skills through football over the past term. The pupils have worked really hard and were rewarded with a trip to watch the Manchester United V Stoke game on 15.1.18. We had great seats two rows from the front so saw all 3 goals from Manchester United up close! A great time was had by all!



Mathematics

Alan Turing Cryptography Competition

This week the Maths Faculty launched the Alan Turing Competition. Alan Turing was a founding father of computer science and very talented mathematician. We are particularly happy to take part in this competition as he is also honoured as one of the names of our tutor groups at Dean Trust Ardwick. Cryptography is the technique of coding information, it is used every day and is all around us. Did you know that every single Whatsapp message that is sent is encrypted so that other people cannot read private messages? The Alan Turing Cryptography Competition is an opportunity to try and solve real codes and test yourselves as expert code breakers. Some teams have got off to an excellent start and we wish them luck for the remaining competition which will last until April 2018.



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MFL

We are now well and truly into this half term where Year 7 are exploring Madrid, Year 8 are looking at writing film reviews and Year 9 are discussing the advantages and disadvantages of life with technology. Don't forget to keep regularly looking back at Knowledge Organisers and vocabulary booklets from last term to keep refreshing the vocabulary and grammar!

This week in MFL Film Club, our movie fans are watching "Fantastic Beasts and Where To Find Them" in Spanish – plenty to feed the imagination as everyone munched on their popcorn.



Linguascope Club is still on Tuesday lunchtime 12:45pm G70:- come along and practice your vocabulary and compete with your friends!

This week our stars of the week were: Year 7: **Ifra Mir** for extra revision and dedication towards Spanish.

Year 8: **Duha Dokhane** for fantastic attitude and focus in lessons.

Year 9: **Kashif Mehmood** for being an excellent role model and showing maturity.

Humanities: Year 7 trip to Manchester Cathedral

"Me and my group went on a trip to Manchester Cathedral and learnt a lot of things. For example we learnt there was a holy area and a commons area. In the holy area, all the priests talked about God and what they should do. In the commons area there was a choir that sang in Latin. The floor was made of straw and was cleaned with hedgehogs. There's also the hanging bridge, which you had to walk on to get to the Cathedral. We also saw the grave of the first Dean of Manchester. It's marked with a drawing of him on the ground. There's also an evil-looking gargoyles to scare off evil." **Ithar, 7T Turing**

"On the 7th January, a group of Year 7s went to the Manchester Cathedral. Firstly we talked to the guides and told them about what we had learnt about Medieval Villages. Then, we went on a tour. During the tour, they showed us: windows which show stories of important things, religious figures playing instruments, names on walls and the bridge near the Cathedral. We got to walk under the bridge. Also we went inside the room where the choir sang and we got to sit on chairs which were designed to sit down if you got tired when singing. Also, we saw the grave of the first Bishop of Manchester. It was a lot of fun and we learnt a lot of things" **Abdulrehman, 7T Turing**

"A group of Year 7s went on a trip to Manchester cathedral. We saw the River Irk and Irwell with the hanging bridge. We learnt why monsters were on the church and saw where the Vicar was buried. There was stained glass windows that represented stories. The stone was replaced which was damaged in Victorian times as well as the windows that were bombed out in the blitz." **Lokesh, 7T Gaskell**



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Physical Education

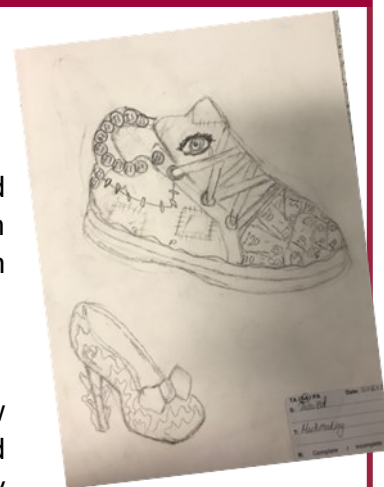
Pupils have got off to a flying start with their new sports. It has been brilliant to see efforts from pupils in learning and developing new skills throughout a variety of sports. This week has been a very busy week with pupils participating in extra-curricular activities. Last week Mr Taylor-Johnson's Year 8 football teams long unbeaten run came to an end after an unfortunate 3-1 loss to MCA. We are currently putting a Year 8 Netball team together so we can enter into the local schools league, there will be many upcoming fixtures.



Technology

Design and Technology

In design and technology this week Year 7 have been learning all about CAD and CAM and how they can use 2D design CAD software to begin to design their own clock. In Year 9 we have been learning about electronic systems. We have also been using Serif DrawPlus to produce our own De Stijl inspired design.



Food and Nutrition

This week in food and nutrition all Year groups have continued with their new projects. In Year 7 we have been learning about saturated and unsaturated fats and have started to make our cheese swirls. In Year 8 we have made a good start by making our dough ready for baking into bread next week. We have also been learning all about food provenance and where our food comes from. In Year 9 we have been looking at why cost is an important factor in choosing our food. We have also been busy making macaroni cheese and preparing our recipe for jerk chicken which we will be making next week.



Art and Design

Four of our highly talented art club pupils presented Ms. Finlay with a piece of work called 'A Starry Night'. It is currently taking pride of place outside Ms Finlay's office. Well done for your exceptional hard work Tulsi, Mariea, Lana and Aven.

The Year 7s have been finishing off our watercolour studies. They are looking brilliant! Year 8 are continuing with their designs for the Alexander McQueen inspired shoes and the Year 9s have presented and worked into their polyprints with some fantastic results!

In art club we have been working on LGBTQ posters for the library displays. Pupils have worked hard to refine their painting skills and make a brilliant start on their pieces.



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Year 7 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Deansgate-135 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Lowry– 99.1%

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

| | | | |
|-----------|---------------------|----------|----|
| Madalynne | Brogan | 7T Picc | 15 |
| Mohammed | Arfatt | 7T Picc | 14 |
| Yasmeen | Benkhaiti Talhi | 7T Vic | 13 |
| Nevras | Chowdhury Farhan | 7D Dean | 12 |
| Nhocshan | Liu | 7D Lowry | 12 |

Stars of the Week

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| English | Stephen Samson |
| Maths | Noor Ullah |
| Science | Nhocshan Liu |
| Humanities | Megan McAdam |
| Technology | Kent Cai |
| PE | Junaid Hassan |
| RE | Ifra Mir |
| Art | Setareh Ahkami |
| MFL | Ifra Mir |
| Computer Science | Mia Pender |
| Performing Arts | Suhail Abed |

Year 8 Awards

Form of the Week Attendance

MOSI-139 Grade 1s

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Lowry-100%

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

| | | | |
|--------|---------|-----------|----|
| Fatima | Mahboob | 8D Deans | 12 |
| Moham- | Ellahi | 8D Palace | 11 |
| Mouna | Elenezi | 8D MOSI | 10 |
| Fatiha | Hossain | 8D MOSI | 10 |
| Kassim | Motin | 8T Pank | 10 |

Stars of the Week

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| English | Mahrrukh Sarfaz |
| Maths | Sameer Ahmed |
| Science | Waris Tajik |
| Humanities | Rahila Shehu |
| Technology | Amer Ullah |
| PE | Leah Joyce |
| RE | Tahir Choudhury |
| Art | Elijah Mambu |
| MFL | Duha Dokhane |
| Computer Science | Tulsi-Wilkinson Das |
| Performing Arts | Keanu Green |

Year 9 Awards

BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Whitworth-76 Grade 1s

Form of the Week Attendance

Whitworth-97.1

BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

| | | | |
|------------|----------|------------|---|
| Richard | Hughes | 9T Vic | 9 |
| Aisha Noor | Sabir | 9D Lowry | 9 |
| Syed Haris | Shah | 9D Whit | 9 |
| Arooj | Zulfiqar | 9D Rylands | 9 |
| Zahra | Batool | 9D Whit | 8 |

Stars of the Week

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| English | Sabrina Adebajoh |
| Maths | Aneesha Riley |
| Science | Lauren Lee |
| Humanities | Demarco Williams |
| Technology | Abigail Rayavarapu |
| PE | Syed Mustafa |
| RE | Tema McKenzie |
| Art | Elita Harper |
| MFL | Kashif Mehmood |
| Computer Science | Alicia Boss |
| Performing Arts | Paris Green |

Whole School Attendance

97.3%