



NEWSLETTER

Safeguarding Tip: Every human being, of whatever origin, deserves respect.

8th March 2019



Headteacher's Message

World Book Day tops the headlines for us this week. Following a series of assemblies, the normal curriculum gave way yesterday to a full day of reading lessons for Years 7-9. A skilfully planned series of lessons based on a book that all pupils were given, provided great enjoyment for pupils as teachers read to them and engaged them in activities and discussions relating to the book. Read on to find out more about it. The day was so successful we shall organise a Dean Trust Ardwick Book Day for the summer term!



Ms S. Finlay
Headteacher

International Women's Day was also marked with a trip to Autotrader for girls this week. Our belief in equality for all includes our commitment to empower girls in their recognition and confidence of their own capabilities and rights. Pupils also wrote postcards to female members of staff.

Please note it is Year 8 Parents' Evening next Thursday. It is an important event where you have the chance to discuss your child's progress with teachers.

We also look forward to hosting Coffee Morning on Friday 15th March next week where we shall focus on Careers. You will get chance to meet our new Careers Advisor, Miss Ford, so we do hope you come along and listen to what she has to say and also meet other parents and carers over coffee and pastries.

With best wishes,

Ms S. Finlay

Dates for your Diary

14th March	Year 8 Parents Evening
15th March	Coffee Morning - Careers
21st March	Year 7 Parents Evening
6th April	Easter Break

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Head of Year Updates

Year 7 News

Firstly, a huge congratulations to our Year 7 Girls Football Team, walking away from their recent tournament with a photo with the one and only Manchester United and England footballer Jesse Lingard! Very impressive! We appreciate the benefits of having a mobile phone, we do however stress that phones should be switched off and in pupils' bags.



Year 8 News

Year 8 assessments have now been completed. You will receive your child's latest progress data shortly. Thursday 6th March is Year 8 Parents evening where you will have the opportunity to speak with teachers directly. I look forward to meeting you then.

Year 9 News

Year 9 have demonstrated a real improvement in their BFL grades over the first half of the year. We spoke in assembly about how the number of BFL 3&4 grades have gradually declined as the year has progressed, culminating in their best week so far! This shows a real commitment and dedication to improving their behaviour in lessons. Hopefully this mature attitude will continue further into the second half of the year. Well done Year 9!

Year 10 News

This week a group of Year 10 students found out what it would be like to work for UK Fast. UK Fast has been voted the top organisation to work for in Manchester by The Sunday Times and we could see why as we toured the building. The students took part in a Tech Session, had the opportunity to talk to a range of apprentices and learn about what it takes to secure an apprenticeship. The students now know that their skills and attitude are as important as knowledge when it comes to landing their dream job. Manchester has over 62,653 digital tech jobs available, it is the biggest tech hub outside of London yet there is a shortage of people with the right skills. All this means it is a sector with massive opportunities and one not to be overlooked!

THEME
OF THE
WEEK

Week Commencing
4th March 2019



International
Women's Day

International Women's Day

'What can I do to
support 'balance for
better'?

Theme of the Week

Miss Watkins delivered an inspirational assembly which challenged pupils' perceptions on gender parity and celebrated the achievements of women across the world.

#BalanceforBetter



@DT_Ardwick

Believe Achieve Succeed

Faculty Updates

Mathematics

Following on from the UKMT intermediate challenge, preparations are well underway for the UKMT Junior challenge for Years 7 and 8. This will take place on Tuesday 30th April, with prizes available. Get revising years 7 and 8!

Science

This week in science, pupils have been learning about metals and growing plants. Pupils have investigated the reactivity of different metals in order to deduce their own reactivity series.



Most reactive	
Lithium (Li)	Reacts with $H^+(aq)$ and $H_2O(l)$ to make $H_2(g)$
Potassium (K)	
Barium (Ba)	
Calcium (Ca)	Reacts with $H^+(aq)$ and $H_2O(g)$ to make $H_2(g)$
Magnesium (Mg)	
Aluminum (Al)	
Manganese (Mn)	
Zinc (Zn)	
Chromium (Cr)	Reacts with $H^+(aq)$ to make $H_2(g)$
Iron (Fe)	
Cobalt (Co)	
Nickel (Ni)	Does not react with $H^+(aq)$
Tin (Sn)	
Hydrogen (H_2)	
Copper (Cu)	
Silver (Ag)	
Mercury (Hg)	
Platinum (Pt)	
Gold (Au)	
Least reactive	

English

World Book Day was a huge success this Thursday! Thank you to the whole school (particularly Years 7, 8 and 9) who took part in some fabulous lessons exploring and analysing the book *Nought & Crosses* by Malorie Blackman. There was some extremely insightful and thoughtful ideas and discussions around the themes of: social prejudice, discrimination and identity. The English department hope that you enjoyed learning about dystopian fiction, and that you will be inspired to read many other dystopian texts! Don't forget to take the Accelerated Reader quiz on *Nought & Crosses* to earn some well-deserved points!



Physical Education

This week in Physical Education we are celebrating the achievements of the Key Stage 3 netball teams. The Year 9 netball team has successfully won their league and have been promoted to the higher division. Respectably, the Year 7 and 8 team also finished 2nd and 3rd in their leagues. The Year 7 Girl's Football Team were ecstatic to meet Jesse Lingard at their football tournament last week! Well done to all the girls involved!

Modern Foreign Languages

Russian lessons continued in MFL department this week with Luc, our University of Manchester student. Pupils continued to practise the Cyrillic alphabet and greetings as well as learning to give opinions.

Доброе утро	Dobraye ootro	Good morning
Добрый день	Dobriy den'	Good afternoon
Добрый вечер	Dobriy vyecher	Good evening
Здравствуй	Zdrastvooyte	Hello
Привет!	Preevyet	Hi!
Рад тебя видеть	Rat teebya veedet'	Nice to see you!
Как поживаешь?	Kak pazhivayesh?	How are you?
Спасибо, прекрасно!	Spaseeba preekrasna!	Fine, thanks!



Faculty Updates

Humanities

Building on Year 8's study of climate change and becoming more aware of human's impact on the world, a number of pupils have taken real action and joined the Eco Committee. The members of the Eco Committee were really taken aback by the scale of our impact on the world's climate, with glaciers and ice caps melting at rapid rates, all due to the fact that we are burning fuel at rapid rates and wasting energy by not doing simple things, like turning off lightbulbs. The Eco Committee is going round classrooms at the end of the day, turning off lights and collecting paper to recycle. By doing their little bit, they are making a huge difference.



Design & Technology

This week in Design & Technology the Year 9 pupils have completed their speaker projects to a very high standard, producing fantastic designs alongside fully functioning products.



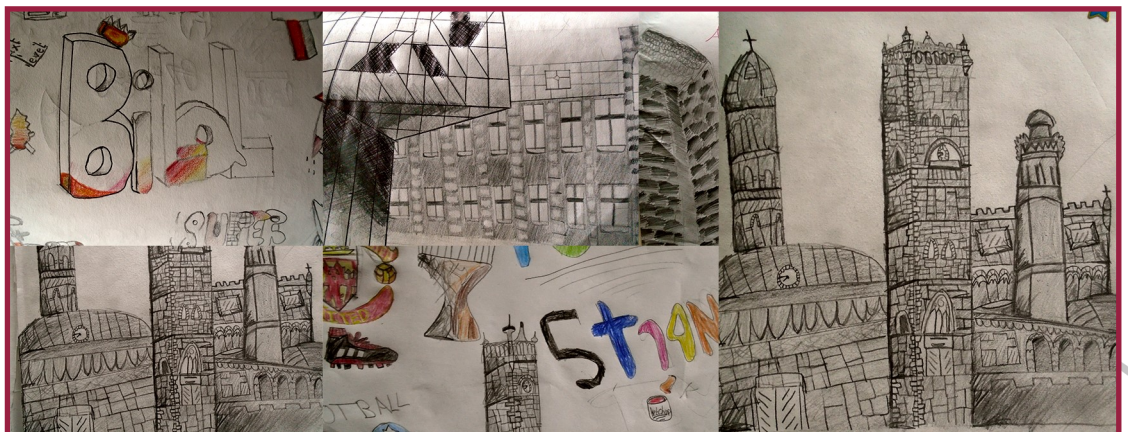
Hospitality & Catering

Pupils have been preparing to start their new projects in Key Stage 3, the technology faculty are looking forward to practical lessons, starting next week with scones!



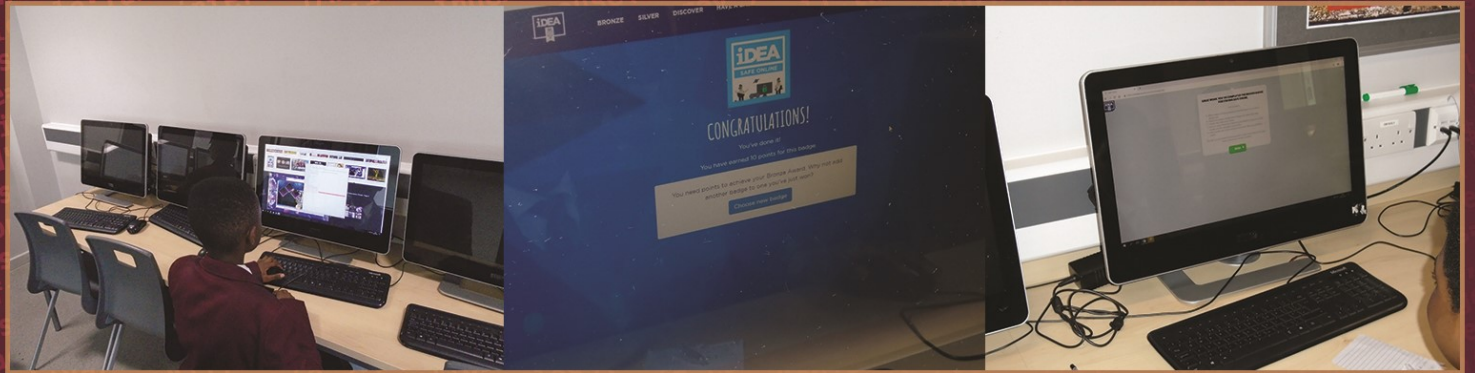
Art & Design

Year 8 pupils have been focusing on improving the quality of their work in sketchbooks with huge success! We have included some examples of their work here.



Business and IT

In coding club the pupils are now starting to get into coding and developing a programme and are currently creating a quiz that uses a menu system to allow them to choose a quiz. It will then ask questions and check to see if they get the answer correct. This is their first step on their way to developing a full piece of software.



Inclusion

In art intervention this week, pupils have been creating a display based on space and under water. The message the pupils want others to think about is that there are no limits to their success and potential in and around school and the local community. This is an inspirational lesson for all, including staff and pupils.



Whole School News

World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday this week, every student in the school received a free book written specifically for the day called *Nought Forever* and a Dean Trust Ardwick bookmark giving them inspiration for their next reads. Years 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed a whole day of lessons based around their new text in which they discussed race and identity, read a range of different, interesting, literature and wrote some of their own dystopian fiction. The day was a huge success and we look forward to next year already!



International Women's Day - AutoTrader Trip

This week both Year 9 and 10 girls attended the Inspiring Women's day event held at the AutoTrader offices. Pupils enjoyed listening to guest speakers, taking part in workshops focusing on career aspirations and having discussions with professional females sharing and discussing potential career pathways. Pupils enjoyed designing posters and pledging how they will take the day away and make a difference in their own future ambitions and future generations. Overall it was a wonderful experience with all girls fully inspired on their return. International Womens Week was also celebrated with pupils writing postcards to staff celebrating and sharing appreciation for the roles women do.



Year 10 - Booster Session Timetable

Week Beginning	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
11 th March	Maths Topic: Vectors Foundation: Calculations with vectors Higher: Problem solving with vectors Teacher: Mrs Milner, Miss Reynolds and Miss Taylor	MFL Topic: Grammar: Speaking/Writing Teacher: Mr Stroud, Mr Diaz	English Topic: English Language: Reading Section- Q4 Teacher: Mr Hull, Miss Horsley
18 th March	Design Technology	History	Creative iMedia Topic: Moodboards Teacher: Mr Martin
25 th March	Maths Topic: Fractions Foundation: Calculating with fractions Higher: Algebraic Fractions Teacher: Mrs Annan, Miss Taylor	Geography	Enterprise Topic: Breakeven point and margin of safety Teacher: Mr Martin
1 st April	English Topic: <i>Macbeth</i> and <i>A Christmas Carol</i> – Revision Teacher: Mr Shaw, Miss Horsley	Science Topic: Teacher: Miss Carter, Ms Begum	Sports Studies Topic: Popularity of Sports Teacher: Mr Fuller/Miss Murphy

Form Awards

Whole School Attendance			
96.91%			
Year 7 Best Form Attendance		Year 7 Best Form BFL Grade 1s	
Victoria	99.4%	Lowry 183 BFL Grade 1s	

Year 8 - 100% Attendance

On Thursday 7th March, Year 8 achieved 100% attendance! Well done Year 8! Information on our expectations for attendance can be found on our website at the below link:

<https://www.deantrustardwick.co.uk/parents-pupils/attendance/>

COFFEE MORNING
15th March
2019

THE THEME WILL BE
CAREERS
WITH OUR CAREERS ADVISOR

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Careers Advisor - Miss Ford

At our Careers Coffee Morning we will be talking about the support available for your child regarding Careers and how you can help and support your child to achieve a successful future.

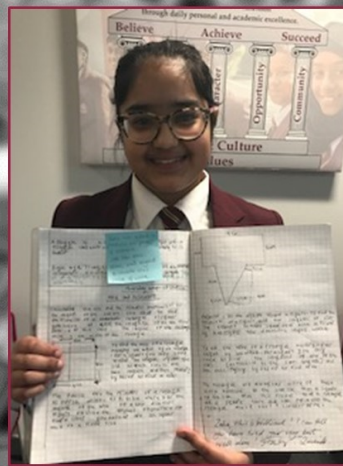
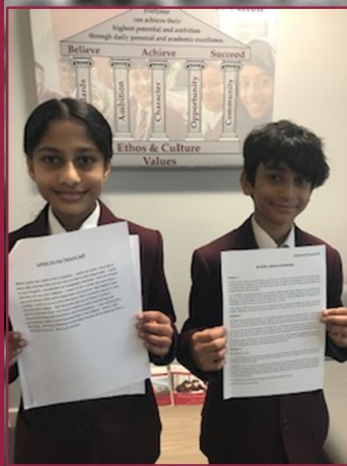


Miss Ford
Career Advisor

We will be covering topics such as:

- What options are available after Year 11 and beyond
- How the World of Work is changing
- The skills needed for a successful future
- You will also get the opportunity to ask me questions and I'd love to hear your ideas about how I can support you and your child.

Headteacher's Commendation



Mohsin and Lena in Year 7 made a fantastic first attempt at writing their autobiographies in English.

Leha in Year 8 has produced some impressive research into area and perimeter. She worked above what was expected in class. Well done!

Career Drop In

When and where?

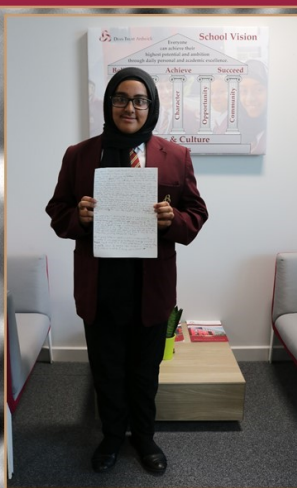
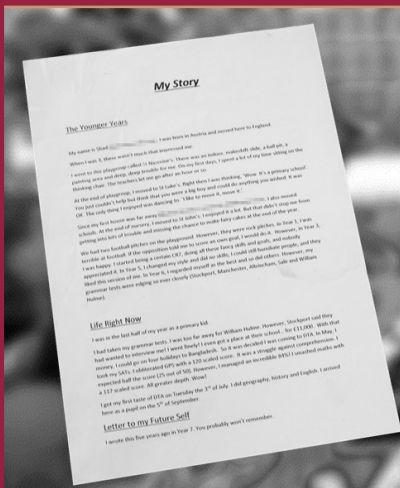
Tuesday and Thursday
Lunchtime - Room G79

If you've got a question
about your future:

- Careers
- Apprenticeships
- University
- Colleges
- Courses

Then come and see Miss
Ford at the:
Career Drop In

Headteacher's Commendation



Mohammed in Year 7 has written a superb letter to his future self!

Iqrah has written a great autobiography!