



NEWSLETTER

Head of School Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the examination season for our Year 11 pupils, I want to extend my pupils. Pupils' dedication and hard work has been commendable, and I'm confident we will achieve great results. Remember, consistent revision at home is just as crucial a preparation. Additionally, ensuring your child's attendance during this period is essential. We have targeted revision sessions led by their teachers.



Mr S Worthington
Headteacher

We are excited for the school to participate in the annual Dean Trust Active Challenge this year on Tuesday 25th June 2024, at Knowsley Hall. Over 1,000 pupils from across all 11 Dean Trust schools will be taking part in the challenge. In PE this week, we've witnessed an overwhelming response to the challenge, with over 90 students securing their spots. Our Athletics Club saw excellent participation on Tuesday, aiding in our preparation for this and other upcoming competitions. Congratulations to all participants for your commitment and effort!

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of celebrating Eid with our school community at our Eid Fair. It was heartening to see not only our students and their families but also our local primary schools come together for a joyous occasion. For further details and photos of this event, please refer to the main section of the newsletter.

I'm delighted to extend an invitation to our upcoming Coffee Morning scheduled for Friday, May 17th, starting at 9:00 am. It's an excellent opportunity for us to connect and discuss any questions or concerns you may have.

Best regards,
Mr S. Worthington
Head of School

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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

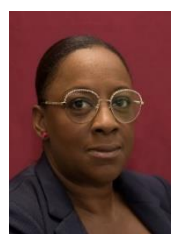
Year 7 we are already almost half way through this half term I can't believe it, this half term is flying back so quickly. Some year 7 pupils this week have had the opportunity contribute to the DTA garden of remembrance. They planted some beautiful plants and flowers with the welfare team and Mr Lord to remember their loved ones in heaven. It was a lovely time for pupils to reflect on their memories with the loved ones. This week there has been a focus on uniform, therefore I want to share the following reminder with parents and carers. The following items are not permitted as part of the DTA uniform. Earrings, rings, bracelets, necklaces, make up and Hoodies. All pupils with shoulder length hair or longer should have their hair tied up. Shirts should be tucked in at all times during the school day and trainers are not permitted. Pupils should be wearing smart black school shoes. Thank you to all parents and carers for their continued support with this.

Polite reminder school is closed on Monday 6th May for bank holiday. We are looking forward to welcoming pupils back on Tuesday 7th of May. Have a lovely weekend.



Year 8 – Mr Bridden

I would like to remind all parents that Year 8 Parents will be taking place next Thursday 9th May. Letters were given to pupils last week containing information on the evening. I believe it is very important for school and parents to work closely together to support pupils, so I am hoping to see you all there. Hoping you have a restful weekend as well as the bank holiday.



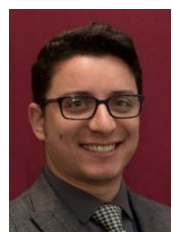
Year 9 – Mrs Rashford

Year 9 have had a brilliant week and have received 430 positive points. As we have reached the half way point of this half term, I want to encourage pupils to attend school on time, prepared for the day.



Year 10 – Mr Smith

This week the Year 10 pupils have had the opportunity to apply for the role of a Prefect. It has been great to see nearly half the year group apply for the position and a pleasure to read some of the letters they have written. The quality of many of the letters demonstrate how many Year 10 pupils have the character strengths to excel as a role model to the younger years and how so many of them refer to how they live out the 'DTA Way' in everything they do. The process of selecting the Prefects and subsequently the Head Student Team takes a number of weeks so we will keep you all updated on how this progresses!



Year 11 – Mr Diaz

During the exam season, 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 have now concluded, however, pupils can still access further support, please encourage your child to speak to their teachers for this. The deadline date to secure your child's place at Prom is Friday, 10th May 2024, please check your 'My Child At School' app to make deposit payment of £15. You can either pay in instalments or in one full payment by the 18th June, 2024. All pupils have now received a copy of their exams timetable.

Weekly Attendance Update

Results of the weekly attendance from Mrs Charles

WELL DONE YEAR 7s!



ATTENDANCE LEADERBOARD

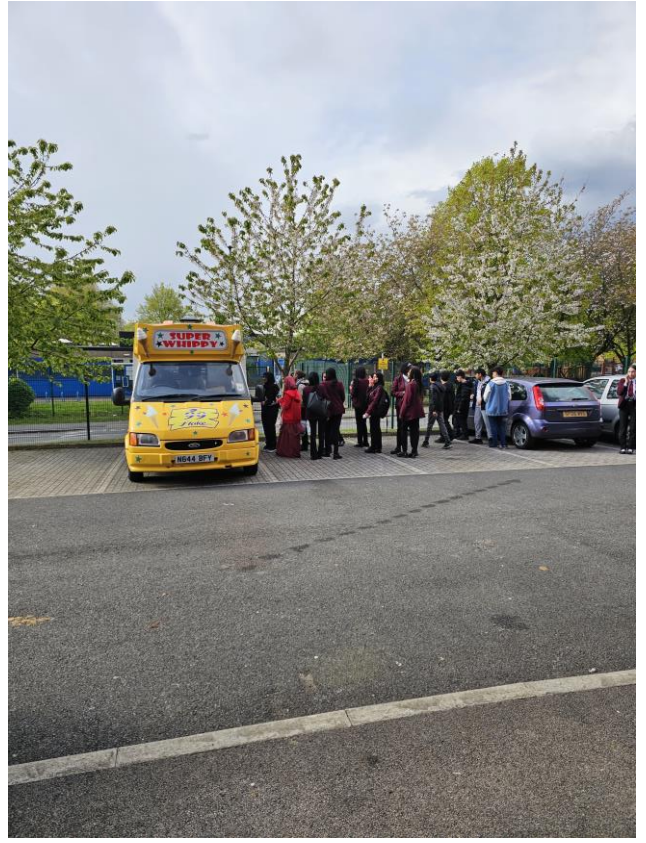
1 YEAR 7 94.6%

2 YEAR 8 91.6%

3 YEAR 9 92.3%

4 YEAR 10 89.0%

5 YEAR 11 90.1%



The Dean Trust Active Challenge VI Tuesday 25 June 2024



Primary pupil & staff run - 1.15pm
Secondary pupil & staff run - 2.30pm

Photograph: Kate Yr 10 LDA

The DTACVI event will take place in the beautiful surroundings of Knowsley Hall on Tuesday 25 June 2024. We invite all the Primary and Secondary schools within The Dean Trust to participate in the 2k run (Years 3 -10).

Please see your PE Department for more information. Secondary Pupils also have the option to run the 4K.

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