



DEAN TRUST Rose Bridge

# NEWSLETTER

27<sup>th</sup> June 2019

## Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

Once again our Newsletter reflects the wealth of trips and events which have taken place this week. We were all cheering on one of our pupils, Gracie O'Brien who was successful out of many thousands of applicants – in reaching the live auditions of the television programme 'The Voice Kids.' She gave an amazing performance and the judges commented that they hoped she would return next year.



Barry Bridden  
Executive Headteacher

Dean Trust Rose Bridge joined the nine other schools within the Trust on Tuesday to take part in the 'Dean Trust Active Challenge' 2K/4K run. The annual event took place on the Earl of Derby's estate, Knowsley Hall, and there were over 800 runners from the ten participating schools. It was fantastic to see so many children representing Dean Trust Rose Bridge. Further information overleaf.

## RAISING ROBOTS

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June a group of Year 8 pupils attended an event at Old Trafford organised by the RAF. The focus was on building and computer programming robots and all pupils really enjoyed the opportunity to make their own robot. The photographs below show pupils displaying some of their brilliant designs, along with the staff who also enjoyed taking part.



## THEATRE WORKSHOP

Staff from the Performing Arts Department recently took twenty three Year 10 pupils to Wigan and Leigh College to participate in a musical theatre workshop with a professional West End performer. The pupils were then privileged to be able to watch a showcase of talent from the college and they have been invited to a summer school with the opportunity to perform at the Epstein Theatre in Liverpool. The pupils were put through their paces and they were superstars!



### Spanish

Over the past few weeks, Year 10 pupils have been completing their end of module assessments. Pupils have shown their dedication and commitment, not just in lesson time but also in revision sessions by completing extra exam work in their own time. In particular, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the efforts of Bailey Williams, Rebecca Cuff, Zainab Alzubaidi and Ellie Mulvey. Fantastic effort - Well Done!

As a reminder, Spanish revision sessions for Year 10 pupils take place on Wednesday's after school from 3:00p.m. until 3:45p.m.

This week there has been a lot of emphasis on spoken Spanish in Year 8. As part of this, pupils have been working in groups in class competing against each other at pyramid translations. Miss Brabin and Mr Cunningham have been really impressed by the high level of confidence and quality of spoken Spanish on show. **Muy bien hecho chicos!**



### 'The year is 2049 and there is an exciting discovery in the garden of Dean Trust Rose Bridge a Time Capsule...'



As we approach our Jamboree Day, the History Department has decided to run a very exciting competition. Having recently become part of the Dean Trust, the History Department wanted to acknowledge this and have purchased a time capsule. We are inviting entries from any pupils within Years 7-10 for ideas as to what should be included in the capsule. Pupils are being asked:

"What would you like the pupils of Dean Trust Rose Bridge to know about you, our school and our town in 2049? Let your imagination run wild with ideas and design a poster of what you think should be included?"

The successful pupil will be given an opportunity to choose the items, bury it and potentially be invited back in 30 years to unearth the capsule!

Whilst there are exciting times to come with the burial of the time capsule, last week was a time for reflection as the History Department bid a fond farewell to our GCSE History pupils. Miss Waring and I would like to congratulate them on their dedication, commitment and perseverance with their historical studies and wish them lots of luck for the future.

## DEAN TRUST ACTIVE CHALLENGE

The eagerly anticipated Dean Trust Active Challenge took place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June in the grounds of the beautiful Knowsley Hall. Staff and pupils from both primary and secondary schools across the Dean Trust gathered for the event. On the day there were over 800 runners completing either a 2km or 4km route. Dean Trust Rose Bridge had over 80 pupils participating this year which was fantastic. Congratulations to all the staff and pupils who represented the school exceptionally well. Individual success stories included Lindon Gaskell, who won the 2km age category and received a gold medal. Alfie Whittle who ran the 4km route and came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall beating all bar 2 members of staff. Mr Walsh (Assistant Headteacher) gave an impressive run and took the gold medal for the staff. He has set the bar high for next year's challengers. This was Dean Trust Rose Bridge's first appearance at the Dean Trust Active Challenge and we are immensely proud of our achievements. Well done everyone!



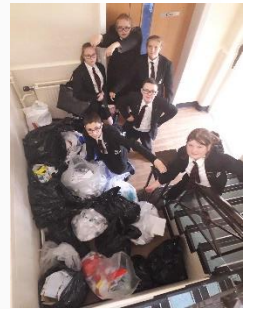
## WIGAN AND LEIGH COLLEGE TASTER DAY

A group of our Year 10 pupils attended a 'Taster Day' at Wigan and Leigh College this week. The photographs show some of the pupils involved in the session, which was a taster of the Animal Management Programme. Feedback from the college included comments on the impeccable behaviour of our pupils and they were described as a 'pleasure to work with'. Our pupils conducted themselves as excellent ambassadors for our school. Well done to all.



## IMPROVING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Eco Club meets on Wednesday lunch times to empty the recycling bins and discuss methods in which Dean Trust Rose Bridge can become more environmentally friendly. Pupils are working hard each week to cut down on the school's waste and are keen to help the environment. New members are very welcome and any pupils interested should let their Form Tutor or Head of Year know so that they can join us.



## REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

Continuing our drive on standards, we are looking to further reduce the number of pupils who arrive late to school. Loss of learning time due to poor punctuality can have a detrimental effect on a child's learning, totalling days and sometimes weeks of time lost throughout the course of their education.

From **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019** any pupils who arrive late will complete a lunch time detention with a Pupil Support Manager and a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Pupils will order their lunch (sandwich) when they arrive at school and this will be delivered to them during the detention period. Your continued support is appreciated in ensuring your child arrives to school promptly with all required equipment and in full school uniform.

### Parking

A polite reminder to our parents and carers to be respectful of our neighbours when collecting and dropping off on Holt Street. It is vital that you do not stop or park on the double yellow lines or zig-zags which are in place for the safety of pedestrians, the free flow of traffic and emergency vehicles along the road.

### School Bus

We have been informed by Transport for Greater Manchester that the Y63 yellow bus service will be replaced by a conventional bus service numbered 985, operated by Olympia Travel from September 2019. We will confirm all details and share more information with Parents at the earliest opportunity via a link to the school website and a letter which will be sent home with pupils.