



DEAN TRUST Rose Bridge

NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th October 2019

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe that we are already in the penultimate week of this half term but what a fantastic half term it has been and our new Year 7 intake have settled in incredibly well. Last night we held our Year 7 Parent/Carer Welcome Evening. It was great to see so many of our new families in attendance and we look forward to working with you over the next five years of your child's education.



Barry Bridden
Executive Headteacher

Our newly appointed Pupil Leadership Team are doing a fantastic job in establishing themselves around the school and have already supported a number of key events. It is great to see them grow in confidence on a daily basis.

Finally, can I remind anyone with children in Year 6 or who have friends/colleagues with children in Year 6 that the deadline for secondary school applications (to start September 2020) is **31st October 2019**

Free Books!



It's been a busy week in the library this week as we celebrate National Library Week!

We have marked the event with the launch of this year's 'Book Buzz'. This is a national scheme which allows each Year 7 pupil across the country to choose a book to keep. Eager visitors to the library have been selecting their chosen book from the twenty available. Two copies of each book have been given to the library for pupils to sample and inspect before making their final choice and I am pleased that a number of our Y7 pupils volunteered to be 'Reading Ambassadors', by reading and reviewing some of these titles in advance and providing recommendations. Many thanks to all of them!



The books are being ordered now and should arrive around the end of November, whilst the Library copies will be on the shelves for pupils in all years to borrow from next week. We were also pleased to learn this week, that one of our local libraries, The John Rylands in Manchester, has been voted the most beautiful library in Europe! A group of our pupils were fortunate to visit this library last year and I'm sure they would all agree that the accolade is well deserved!



Year 9 Rugby Success

Our Year 9 boys played a fabulous match against Cansfield High School recently, which was a well fought battle to the very end. Dean Trust Rose Bridge were the victors, thanks to a match winning try from Diesel, going the full length of the field in the last few minutes of the game. Well done to all!



Girls Football

Our Year 8 and Year 9 girls represented the school in a Borough-wide Football Tournament last week finishing in third place, despite only losing one match. They gave a brilliant account of themselves from start to finish and played some fabulous football along the way. All the girls were fantastic, with Izzy taking the vote for 'Player of the Tournament'. The Year 10 and Year 11 Girl's Team were chosen to attend a tournament at the Manchester United Foundation, in liaison with our school-based officer Mr Eckersall. The girls had a fantastic day out and really enjoyed their experience.



Meet the Faculty



Mrs Blundell
Faculty Leader



Mrs Ashton
Teacher of
Performing
Arts



Ms Reilly
Subject
Lead
P.E.



Mr Shepherd
Teacher of
P.E.



Miss Green
Teacher of
P.E.



Mr Volante
Teacher of
P.E.



Miss Warren
Teacher of
P.E.

Performing Arts

We have had a fantastic start to the year across the faculty. Pupil attitudes to each subject have been really positive and we have had an excellent turnout to all extra-curricular activities. It is fabulous to see the talent and commitment our pupils have. Please follow all our progress on our Twitter accounts; @DTRB_PA and @DTRB_PE.

We are looking forward to the 'Showcase of Talent' in Performing Arts on Friday 18th October, celebrating the successes over the first term. Our Year 10 pupils will be making their debut and we have some excellent performances to showcase KS3 Drama and Music. There will be more opportunities to perform after the half term.

Year 11 Performing Arts pupils are currently completing their solo performances, working towards their practical exam. The quality of what the pupils have created so far is excellent and we are looking forward to watching the remaining performances. This is a very important time for our Year 11s, completing exam modules in both Performing Arts and P.E. We wish them the best of luck.

Year 9 pupils have been studying the Hillsborough Disaster as part of their curriculum for Performing Arts. In order to celebrate National Poetry Day, our classes created whole class performances based on the poem 'The Ballad of Hillsborough' by Simon Rae. Pupils explored key stanzas using symbolisation, still images, narration and choral speaking. They were able to really express the emotion and sense of injustice that the fans experienced.

Last week we took our talented Year 10 and Year 11 Performing Arts pupils to work with the WigLe Dance Company at their new studios in Leigh. They took part in challenging workshops with professional dancers and choreographers, developing their skills in commercial street, contemporary contact and jazz funk. Well done to all those who took part!



National Poetry Day

We have been delighted by the pupils engagement in the activities which had been arranged to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of this annual event. It is always encouraging to see how our pupils enjoy exploring ways to demonstrate their creativity. Well done to all!



Faculty of the week: P.E. & Performing Arts

P.E. Extra-Curricular Timetable

We've had a very busy to this term in the P.E. department, with fabulous attendance at our extra-curricular clubs and fixtures. Let's keep this going after half term – the more the merrier!

For full details of our Enrichment Programme at Dean Trust Rose Bridge, visit:

<https://www.deantrustrosebridge.co.uk/curriculum-2/>



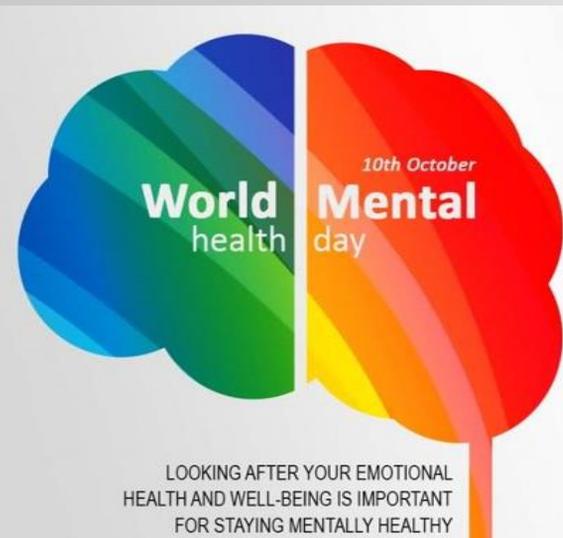
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MORNING 8.15 am - 8.40 am		Fitness Suite Mr Volante	Badminton Miss Reilly	Badminton Miss Green	
LUNCH 12.45 pm - 1.10 pm	Football Astro Mr Volante Mr Eckersall Sports Hall Mr Shepherd	Football Astro Mr Shepherd Mr Eckersall Sports Hall Mr Volante	Football Astro Mr Volante Mr Eckersall Sports Hall Mr Shepherd	Football Astro Mr Shepherd Mr Eckersall Sports Hall Mr Volante	Football Astro Mr White Mr Eckersall
AFTER-SCHOOL 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm	Staff Meetings All staff	Rugby Mr Shepherd Fitness Suite Mr Volante Mr Eckersall	7 & 8 Netball Miss Green Miss Reilly Miss Warren KS3 Dodgeball (Boys) Mr Volante Mr Eckersall	9, 10 & 11 Netball Miss Warren Miss Reilly Miss Green	KS4 Booster Session Miss Reilly Miss Warren Miss Green Mr Volante Fitness Suite Mr Shepherd



**PHYSICAL EDUCATION
ENRICHMENT**

World Mental Health Day

All this week we have been thinking, talking and discussing mental health, sharing ways of improving and maintaining good mental health. Here are some of the tips shared with pupils;



Ask for help

Take a break

Keep in touch

Accept who you are

Do something you are good at

Talk about your feelings

Care for others

Keep active

Care for yourself

Eat Well

YoungMinds is the UK's leading charity championing the wellbeing and mental health of young people. You can find more information at;

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

Dean Trust Rose Bridge – Colleague of the Week

This week's winner is Ms Millar for going above and beyond, especially her enthusiasm when supporting P.E.

