



NEWSLETTER

Friday 31st January 2020

Headteacher Message

We wish Year 11 pupils every success as they begin their pre-public exams (mocks). The word “mock” doesn’t do the preparation of Year 11s have done justice! We have purchased an amazing app for Year 10 and 11 pupils to use to help them prepare independently for examinations. GCSE POD (www.gcsepod.com) has been launched with Year 11 this week and will be launched after half term with Year 10 pupils.



James Haseldine
Executive Headteacher

We welcome families of Year 9 pupils to school on the evening of Monday 3rd February for the GCSE pathways event. More information about the event and our curriculum can be found on our website www.deantrustrosebridge.co.uk

We have had an amazing week at school with skiing, pupils designing a new rugby kit, GCSE PE exam event and national story telling week. Our Year 9 girls football team also finished as joint winners of the Man Utd Hub Tournament. Congratulations!

Year 11 Mock Examinations

As you will be aware, Year 11 mock examinations started today. Please encourage your child to revise and get a good nights sleep prior to any examination.

	Period 1 & 2	Period 3 & 4	Period 5 & 6
Friday 31 st January	English Language Paper 1		
Monday 3 rd February	Geography Paper 1		Science (Biology) Paper 2
Tuesday 4 th February	Maths Paper 1	RE Unit 2	RE Unit 3
Wednesday 5 th February	English Language Paper 2		Maths Paper 2
Thursday 6 th February	Maths Paper 3		Science (Chemistry) Paper 2
Friday 7 th February	English Literature Paper 1		Science (Physics) Paper 2
Monday 10 th February	Hospitality & Catering		Geography Paper 2
Tuesday 11 th February	Performing Arts Re-sits		History Paper 2
Wednesday 12 th February	Spanish Writing	Spanish Reading	
Thursday 13 th February	Performing Arts (Solo Performances)	Art Performing Arts (Solo Performances) Spanish Listening (P4)	Art Performing Arts (Solo Performances)
Friday 14 th February	Performing Arts (Solo Performances)	Art Performing Arts (Solo Performances)	Art Performing Arts (Solo Performances)

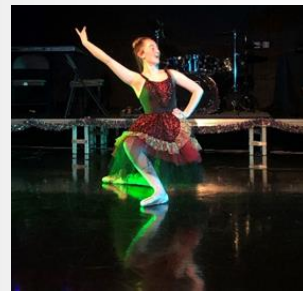
Happy New Year from the Performing Arts and PE Faculty.

It's been a few weeks since the Christmas holidays but we must recognise and celebrate the dedication, commitment and success of all the pupils involved in the Christmas Concert. There was a collection of Drama, Dance and Music performances from Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 and all the acts were introduced by our Performing Arts Ambassadors from Year 11, who were all utterly fabulous!

Also, thank you to all members of the very supportive audience that came and filled the Arts Theatre. We always appreciate your support and the pupils thrive in this environment allowing them to experience precious life experiences. We will keep you informed of any future performances but you are welcome to follow us on twitter where we celebrate pupil progress.



@DTRB_PArts



Congratulations to Year 9 pupil **Heidi N** for successfully passing her recent dancing exams with 3 distinctions, the highest mark in her dance school. This is a fantastic result Heidi, all your hard work is paying off.

Performing Arts Y9 Options

In Performing Arts we are really pleased to offer a variety of different courses this year that will allow pupils to access a balanced curriculum in the expressive arts.

BTEC First Award in Music

BTEC Technical Award in Performing Arts – Drama Pathway

BTEC Technical Award in Performing Arts – Dance Pathway

Within these courses pupils will be given the opportunity to improve and master their skills on an instrument, acting or dancing. They will study different genres within each specialism, building on the knowledge they have gained in their KS3 lessons. We are really excited to welcome a new Year 10 cohort to the department and nurture our future Performing Arts ambassadors.

If you have any further questions about the courses, please feel free to contact Mrs H Blundell

Performing Arts Captured Learning

In Performing Arts this half term we have been developing the skills to work collaboratively to master new techniques in Music and Drama.

National Story Telling Week

In Drama, as part of national story telling week our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils have been using ghost stories as a stimulus for their performances. After listening to a selection of stories from the horror genre, pupils have been creating performances using mime, physical theatre, narration and sound effects. They were given the opportunity to develop their ability to add suspense and tension creating some brilliant performances using dramatic story telling methods.



In Music Year 7 have been mastering chords using the ukuleles & guitars. Peer mentoring has made mastering this skill easier for the pupils. They have all done really well.

Using the 'musical futures' approach Year 8 have been mastering the technique of drumming using the chairs. Pupils will then transfer this skill on to the drums during ensemble work. There has been some excellent accuracy and engagement from the pupils.

Year 9 have been focusing on composition, working in small groups using structural features to elicit an emotional response. This week pupils will experience a taster lesson from Music, Drama and PE giving them a taste of what to expect at KS4.

Mrs Ashton and Mrs Blundell are really proud of the engagement from pupils in lessons having a really positive attitude towards their learning. Well done & keep it up.



Y10 Sports Studies Moderation

Our Year 10 Sports Studies pupils have recently completed their taught sessions to Year 5 pupils from St Catharine's and Ince CE primary schools. Our leaders were required to take full responsibility of the planning and delivery of a high quality session in a sport of their choice. Every single one of our pupils rose to the challenge, with some excellent sessions taught including football, rugby, badminton, trampolining and netball. Despite being a daunting task, it was great to see our resilient leaders develop their confidence and communication skills. A special thanks goes to the fabulous Year 5 pupils who were excellent participants over the course of the two-day event.



KS3 Netball League

We have now come to the end of this year's netball season. Both the Year 7 and Year 8 girls have worked really hard over the last 6 weeks and have shown brilliant determination throughout. They have given the leagues their full commitment and have shown resilience to keep fighting and enabling them to succeed. Both teams have experienced success within the league and we are very proud of their attitude throughout. The girls have improved so much over the course of the season and their dedication is certainly paying off! Well done to our player's player of the season, as voted by the other teams in the league. Lexi F and Scarlett H achieved the most nominations for Year 7, and Claudia K achieved the most for Year 8. The coach's player of the season was really hard to pick from all the girls as they did exceptionally well, however there were two stand out performers, Jayne T (Year 7) and Amy R (Year 8) Well done all of you, Miss Warren is extremely proud!



PE Department Stars of the Term:

These pupils have been recognised by their teachers for the following reasons below, and have been rewarded with a Cinema Voucher for their efforts!



Kasey has made an outstanding start to Physical Education at Dean Trust Rose Bridge. with a 'can do' attitude, Kasey has demonstrated determination and resilience within lessons resulting in her making excellent progress. Kasey's confidence has grown; offering high level answers to ACE questions. Fantastic work Kasey – Keep it up!



Kaiden has a fabulous attitude within all aspects of PE, demonstrating exemplary behaviour and standards at all times. Kaiden regularly attends extra-curricular clubs after school, and works well with other pupils in the class. Well done Kaiden!



Alex displays exceptional effort levels within PE lessons, resulting in excellent grades during his practical assessments. Alex is very committed to our extra curricular programme, and is a pleasure to teach. keep it up!



Matthew has made an excellent start to his Sports Studies qualification this year, producing consistently high quality coursework. Matthew also stood out for his excellent lesson he planned and delivered to our local primary school pupils for his practical moderation, demonstrating his ever-growing self-confidence. Well done Matthew!



Tegan has been working incredibly hard in her BTEC Sport Course recently. This conscientious attitude to learning has shone through her three years on the course meaning the work she has produced has been to a high standard. Recently she has shown strong determination to not only produce high quality work but also revise for her upcoming resit. She is going above and beyond completing extra work towards the exam and it is paying off. Well done Tegan keep up the good work!



Winning Rugby Team Kit!

Before Christmas, Mr Shepherd launched a PE homework task for KS3 pupils to design a brand new rugby kit for the school teams. After many fabulous responses, it has been an extremely difficult task to select one winner. Therefore, a shortlist was created, with elements taken from designs by Aiden F and Kayden C.

The Raging Bull kit encompasses the Trust colours, a sophisticated 'swirl' design, and white trim to add extra detail. We are very excited to announce that these have now been delivered and are ready to be worn! Well done boys, what a fantastic contribution you have made to the PE department!



Faculty of the Week: Performing Arts and Physical Education

Trip to Chill Factore, Manchester:

Last week, some of our pupils took part in a level one ski lesson at the Chill Factore in Manchester. This is the first time they had ever skied before and they took to it really well. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the lessons and by the end they could all control their speed and stop. We had a couple of falls along the way but each and every pupil got back up and gave it another go which is a strong test on their resilience.

The most falls actually went to Mr Eckersall from our Manchester United Foundation – we think he needs a few more lessons before he will be as good as our pupils! The behaviour and attitude towards skiing and the instructors were impeccable and we are very proud of what they have achieved. We are looking to organise something like this again and hopefully get some of our pupils on the level two course. We cannot wait for our upcoming ski trip to Andorra at Easter. We had a couple of special mentions and awards including Best KS4 girls; Lucy R and Ellise D. Best KS4 boys; Liam W and Tommy J. Most improved KS4; Logan R. Best KS3 girl: Claudia K. Best KS3 boy; Daniel F. Most improved KS3; Ben C. Well done to all who attended!



Extra Curricular Activities

As a faculty we are very proud to offer many extra-curricular opportunities throughout the week. The benefits of being part of an club, group or team are unique. Improved academic performance, higher self-esteem and social opportunities are just a few reasons to attend and make it part of your weekly routine.

We look forward to seeing more faces over the next few weeks.

Performing Arts and PE Extra-Curricular Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 8am – 8.30am		Fitness (Gym) Miss Reilly		Badminton (SH) Miss Green	
Lunch	Football (Astro/SH) Mr Volante, Mr Shepherd & Mr Eckersall	Football (Astro/SH) Mr Volante, Mr Shepherd & Mr Eckersall	Football (Astro/SH) Mr Volante, Mr Shepherd & Mr Eckersall	Football (Astro/SH) Mr Volante, Mr Shepherd & Mr Eckersall	Football (Astro) Mr Eckersall
		Year 11 Performance Support (PAT) Ms Ashton & Mrs Blundell	Drama Club (PAT) Ms Ashton Year 10 Band Work (MS1) Mrs Blundell	Year 9 Band Work (MS1) Mrs Blundell	Year 7 & 8 Band Work (MS1) Mrs Blundell
After School 3pm – 4pm		Rugby (PE) Mr Shepherd Fitness (Gym) Mr Volante Dance Club (Dance Studio) Ms Blundell & WigLe KS3 Netball (PE) Miss Green, Ms Reilly & Miss Warren	KS3 Netball (PE) Miss Green	9, 10 & 11 Netball (PE) Miss Warren, Ms Reilly & Miss Green KS3 Boys Football (PE) Mr Volante Singing Group (MS1) Ms Blundell	KS4 Booster (PE) Ms Reilly, Miss Warren & Miss Green Fitness (Gym) Mr Shepherd