

NEWSLETTER

Headteacher Message

Face coverings in education –From Monday 17th May 2021: pupils will no longer be expected to wear face coverings in classrooms and communal areas but are permitted to do so should they choose to. Staff will no longer be expected to wear face coverings in classrooms but are permitted to do so should they choose to. Staff and visitors are expected to wear face-coverings in situations outside of classrooms, e.g. on corridors and in communal areas, where social distancing is not possible, unless it has been agreed with myself that they are exempt from doing so. This will be reviewed during the second half of the summer term 2021.



Please see overleaf for a continuation of the headteacher's message.

Contact Details

Do we have your correct details? It is very important -especially in the current situation - that the school has your correct details such as phone numbers, email addresses and postal address.

Please contact school with any updates.



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Employee of the Week

Miss Brindle - Pastoral Administrative Assistant

For contributing to a great turnout at the last Parent's Evening, on top of juggling extensive minutes, Governor report packs and In Year Transfers.





Continuation of Headteachers Message

I am pleased to say that as of Monday, we will look at reintroducing 'Breakfast Club' for some of our most vulnerable and there will be more provision of extra-curricular activity - from 17th May, indoor wraparound and other extra-curricular activities will be able to take place in groups of any number.

It remains important we continue to minimise mixing between children, where possible. On this basis, we will continue with our learning bubble in year groups for now as a safeguarding measure, as Covid restrictions are gradually relaxed. This is on the basis that Covid 19 is still prevalent. We will review learning bubbles in year groups in line with Government guidance, our risk assessment and consultation with the Dean Trust, in the second half of summer term. I must commend our pupils on their response to our request to wear masks in school to keep themselves and others safe.

Personal Development

Amy R. has been working hard over lockdown on her karate skills. As you know, in light of recent restrictions, many karate organisations have adapted and taken their tournaments online. Amy has been successful in achieving a gold medal in the IISKA E-kata International Championship held in Sri Lanka in March and also a gold and a bronze medal in the MKA A Class Championships held in Malta in April. This is an incredible achievement considering it is against people all across the world and Amy was one of the youngest competitors. There are a couple more competitions coming up soon so fingers crossed Amy can bring home some more medals! Well done Amy!



We are super proud of you!

Careers

Attention Year 10!

Year 10 one-to-one career interviews will commence this week. The interviews will provide you with an opportunity to talk about ideas and plans for the future and offer support on your journey to a successful post 16 destination. It is a good idea to think about the following to help you get the most out of you discussion with Ms Clegg:

- 1. What are your interests (in school and outside of school)?
- What skills do you have/ would you like to acquire?
- 3. What lesson/kind of lessons do you enjoy the most?
- 4. Have you thought about what pathway you would like to take after Dean Trust Rose Bridge?

Faculty of the Week: Humanities

Back Together!

The Humanities faculty are so happy to see everyone back and in lessons where we should be. We have hit the ground running in all departments and we are impressed with how focused and resilient our pupils are being by making every effort to close the gap on our lost learning time!



👉 Extra Curricular : Mayan Mayhem 🤺



Who? Year 8

When? Wednesdays 3pm

What? Come and join us to explore the gory traditions of this ancient civilisation. All departments in the humanities faculty will use their expertise to help you understand what life was really like as a Mayan.





Geography



Miss Williams and Mrs Brady would like to introduce the newest member to our department, Mr Humphreys! As well as being a world class Karaoke champion (with a voice that rivals Justin Bieber) he is a fantastic teacher and will be sure to equip you with the knowledge and skills necessary to help you succeed as geographers of the future! He will be taking over Miss Williams' classes as she heads off on Maternity leave.

Year 11

We are so proud of your dedication since we have been back in school. We know we have worked you all extremely hard but you have not only kept up with us, you have surpassed our expectations with the focus and detail provided in your weekly assessments and mock examinations. Attendance at Easter School, after school and breaktime revision has been fantastic, all of which reflect such a positive attitude to learning.

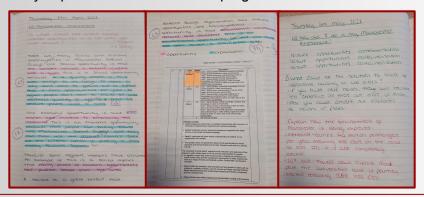
Earth Day 2021

This year Earthday was held on April 22nd. It is an international event celebrated around the world to pledge support for environmental protection. This year's theme for Earth Day is 'Restore Our Earth' With this in mind, the geography staff have been focussing on Marine Ecosystems in our year 7 and 8 topics, discussing just how fragile they are and how important they are not only humanity but to global existence. With prevalent documentaries published on Netflix such as 'Seaspiracy' and 'Blackfish', we can see the world is waking up to how we need to restore our oceans, stop overfishing and protect our vulnerable marine wildlife. We urge you to become educated on these matters, you will not only find it very interesting but will promote a need for discussion on how we can change our lifestyles to protect our precious world.

Faculty of the Week: Humanities

Exemplary work in Geography:

Year 10 have completed a GCSE question this week and received feedback using AQA mark schemes. We are very impressed so far with their progress!



History

Year 11

Miss Hyde and Miss Waring want to congratulate you all on your commitment to your history studies in the last few weeks. It has and continues to be a very busy time for all pupils, in particular for our Year 11 classes. Since returning to school, many of you have attended the additional breaktime revision sessions and Easter school. Your behaviour in lessons is exemplary and you are listening and acting on the advice of your history teachers. We are very impressed with the hard work and dedication that many of you have exhibited. Keep up this hard work and remember "You only fail, when you stop trying".

Key Stage 3

Key Stage 3 pupils are working well. Currently, each year group is studying aspects of 'social' history; Year 7 are investigating life in the Middle Ages, Year 8 working conditions in the Industrial Revolution and Year 9 are looking into Nazi Germany and the changes that were introduced (such as the women and the 3 K's). Discussions have been lively with pupils sharing their opinions regarding life in these different time periods. Pupils have completed homework promptly and to a good standard. Pupils are preparing for assessments practising writing PEE paragraphs in their lessons.





How to improve your 'Point Evidence Explain (PEE)' paragraphs in history:

After you have written your Point and Evidence sentences, include the phrase 'this meant that...'or 'this means that...'. If you begin to use this regularly, not only will it become a habit but it clearly shows that you are going to 'explain' your answer.

Faculty of the Week: Humanities

Spanish:

San Isidro Festival Madrid

One of the most celebrated holidays of Madrid is held on May 15th, the Feast Day of San Isidro. He is the city's patron saint, as well as the patron saint of farmers. The traditional festival is held in an open-air area known as the Pradera del Santo. The festival lasts for 9 days in total with music, food and lots of celebration.



Spanish Translation Challenges:

Year 7: Vivo en el norte de Inglaterra, en mi barrio hay un castillo y un parque.

<u>Year 8:</u> El señor Jones nos pega con un palo y no es a la moda, lleva una chaqueta fea y zapatos rosas.

Year 9: el año pasado fui de vacaciones a México, la capital de México es la ciudad de México.

<u>Year 10:</u> Hace unos años fui a España y visité la fiesta de la corrida de toros, a mi modo de ver es super entretenido.

Star Pupils:

Year 7: Jess.W, Isabelle.D

Year 8: Amelia.S, Hasan.U, Sofya.I Year 9: Ellie.S, Andrei.R, Domanic.T Year 10: Nathan.A, Jamie.L, Yasna.H

Year 11: All pupils are working tremendously, you are really impressing us, keep it up!

Religious Studies: - Important Dates this week.

13 May- 16 May EID-UL-FITR/FEAST OF FAST BREAKING (1st Shawwal)



This is a time - once the fast of Ramadan has been completed - for making gifts to the poor. It is especially a time for new clothes, good food, and presents for children. Families get together and contact friends, especially those who live far away. The community assembles for Eid prayer and a sermon at its mosques. The traditional greeting is 'Eid Mubarak' – 'a happy and blessed Eid'.

13 May ASCENSION DAY (40th day after Easter)



This day commemorates the last earthly appearance of the Risen Christ, who, according to Christian belief, ascended into heaven in the presence of many witnesses.

17 May- 18 May SHAVUOT / THE FEAST OF WEEKS / PENTECOST



Seven weeks after Pesach, Shavuot celebrates the revelation of the Torah on Mount Sinai and the early harvest season in Israel. Summer flowers and dairy foods abound.

Literacy and Numeracy

Word of the Week:

Exhilarating adjective - 'making one feel very happy, animated, or elated; thrilling.'

<u>Challenge 1:</u> Write a description of the image using the adjective 'exhilarating'.

Challenge 2: Can you think of any antonyms for the word 'exhilarating'

Literacy Challenge: Eid al-Fitr

Eid al-Fitr, also known as just Eid, is a Muslim holiday which marks the end of Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting. Celebrations continue for one, two or three days, and people wish each other Eid Mubarak (Blessed Eid) or Eid Said (Happy Eid). Celebrations vary by country but include gatherings to view the new moon, decorating homes inside and out, family visits, eating special sweet foods, neighbourhood fairs, visits to amusement parks, wearing new clothes and giving and receiving gifts. Eid al-Fitr was celebrated this week on 12th May 2021.

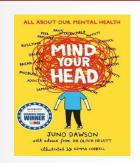
Literacy Challenge: Write an acrostic poem about the celebration using the word 'Eid al-Fitr'.



Book of the Week: In support og Mental Health Awareness Week

'Mind Your Head' by Juno Dawson, Dr Olivia Hewitt, Gemma Correll.

"We all have a mind, so we all need to take care of our mental health as much as we need to take care of our physical health. And the first step is being able to talk about our mental health."



Numeracy Challenge: Berties Big Win

Bertie has just had a big win on the lottery!

He spends % of his money on a house.

He spends \(^3\)4 of his remaining money on a luxury yacht.

He spends $\frac{2}{3}$ of the remaining money on a trip to space.

Finally his gives the remaining £50,000 to charity.







Q: How much money did he win?



Head of Year Stars of the Week

Year 7:

7EG - Payton.B- For working extremely hard in all her lessons, class monitor for 7y2 in preparing the class for change over of lessons. She is a superstar and a model student.

Year 8:

For all achieving the highest Classchart points in their form:

80H -Zoltan.B

8CLA - Summer.H

8FG -Grace.R

8AC -Hollie.K

8JJ -Courtney.W

HOY Star of the week Gareth.W (8FG) Excellent attitude and achieving lots of Classchart points.

Year 9:

- **9KW** Chloe.P always on time, ready to start and is a brilliant member of our form!
- **9LB** Ellie.S 20 class chart points in 3 days! Taking every day in her stride, and just getting on with what she needs to be doing. Fantastic member of 9LB!
- **9MWE** Josh.W- F: Always doing the right thing inside and outside of lessons. A fantastic member of 9MWE.
- **9RJ** Rose.S- Thank you for coming in every day full of smiles and with a positive attitude each morning.

Year 10:

- 10PD Nathan.A a.k.a the dog whisperer!
- **10JP** Holly.H for a fantastic attitude in everything she does.
- 10SW- Amy.J

HOY Star of the week Elizabeth.K (10RW) For demonstrating commitment to our school ethos and displaying amazing resilience. You are an absolute pleasure to have in our year group and overcome so much at young age.

Year 11:

11JHY - Stevey-Lee.

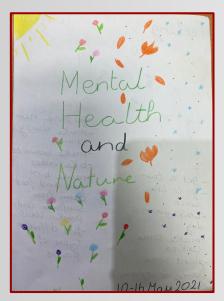
100% positive chart points in Year 11 since the return. Made massive improvements to her overall approach to school. Keep it up \bigcirc

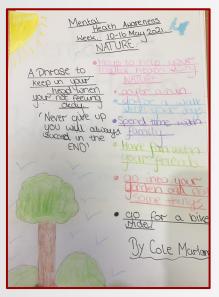
Mental Health Awareness Week - 10th - 16th May

What have we been doing?

Dean Trust Rose Bridge Pupils have been supporting the 2021 campaign to 'Connect with nature to support your mental Health'.

Here are some examples of Year 8 pupils entry task work in Geography linked to Mental Health Awareness.







School Twitter:

You can also watch the 'Nature' video on our twitter page to see how experiencing the nature around us can support positive mental health.

@DeanTrustRB

#connect with nature to support your mental health#



Events

Mental Health Awareness Week - 10th - 16th May

Whether you are living with a mental health problem, or supporting someone who is, having access to the right information is vital. We have done a considerable amount of work on wellbeing and mental health during recent Covid times

Let's remind ourselves of some top tips to support our Mental Health and Well Being

- 1. Get proper rest
- 2. Eat healthy with a well balanced diet
- 3. Exercise
- 4. Practice relaxation and mindfulness
- 5. Let others help know who your 'go to ' people are
- 6. Focus on your strengths and helping others make positive changes to your routines



Where can you find support?

The school website has lots of information and links to external services that can help you.

We have produced a number of YouTube videos to support pupils' self-regulation and to equip them with more coping strategies.

Head over to our YouTube Channel to see them!

You should also know who your 'go to' person is in school - a great start is approaching your PSM if you feel comfortable enough.

School website:

Additional Support	Contact number	Website
NSPCC Helpline	0808 800 5000	Help@nspcc.org.uk
Childline	0800 1111	www.childline.org.uk
LGBT Foundation	0345 3 30 30 30	https://lgbt.foundation/meet-the-team
Young Carers	01942 679352	www.walyc.org.uk
Papyrus	0800 068 4141	www.papyrus-uk.org
Frank	0300 123 6600	www.talktofrank.com
Suicide Bereavement Services	0161 212 4919	www.shiningalightonsuicide.org.uk

Useful contacts and online resources

Revision Skills- Revision Hacks.

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/revision-skills-revision-hacks/

Pomodoro Technique:

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/revision-skills-pomodoro/

Worksheet:

Traffic Light Technique:

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/revision-skills-traffic-light-technique/

Revision Timetable:

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/revision-skills-revision-timetable-handout/



Choices- HE What and Why?

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/choices-he-what-and-why/

Choices- Post-16 options

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/choices-post-16-options/

Student Life - HE options

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/student-life-he-options/

Student Life - Support at university

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/student-life-support-at-uni/

Worksheet:

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/choices-post-16-options-true-or-false/

Student Life - Path Finder

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/student-life-path-finder/



TOPIC: INTERVIEW SKILLS

Interview Skills - How to get through your interview

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/interview-skills-your-interview/

Interview Skills - First Impressions

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/interview-skills-first-impressions/

WORKSHEETS:

Interview Skills - Who got the job?

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/interview-skills-who-got-the-job/

Interview Skills – What makes you stand out?

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/interview-skills-stand-out/

TOPIC: BUDGETING SKILLS

Budgeting Skills - Prudent Student Game

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/budgeting-skills-prudent-student/

Budgeting Skills - Mythbusting

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/budgeting-skills-mythbusting/

Budgeting Skills - What students spend their money on

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/budgeting-skills-spending/

WORKSHEETS:

Budgeting Skills - Budgeting activity Instagram

https://gmhigher.ac.uk/resources/budgeting-skills-instagram/



