



THE DEAN TRUST Lord Derby Academy

NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th October 2021

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, October marks Black History month in the UK. We are recognising this in school and our Head of Humanities Mr Kemp has been leading the assemblies to celebrate the fundamental role people from varying origins and ethnicities have had to play in our history and how they feature throughout our rich curriculum in school.

I was privileged to watch the 'Cells' project team deliver to our Year 10 pupils on Friday on a range of challenging themes and I look forward to them coming back to LDA to meet with our other year groups. We were delighted that the Mayor of Knowsley Cllr Frank Walsh was able to join us to watch 'Cells' in action. We also had the Glitch Theatre Company in that day to discuss the importance of a key British Value – Democracy - with our pupils and I know they found this insight really useful. I hope it inspires them to put themselves forward for the LDA Pupil Parliament which will be launching soon.

Finally, I was delighted to see so many Year 6 families attending our Open Event on Saturday morning. I thanked parents for considering LDA for their child's education. Parents need to apply for a secondary school place via the Local Authority by October 31st 2021.

With best wishes for the weekend,

V Gowan, Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher



Careers Information, Education, Advice and Guidance

An introduction to our Careers Advisors. Our Careers Advisors are provided by Career Connect which is a leading provider of employability and careers services across the North West and Liverpool. It is a Charity that delivers services to young people and adults. **Career Connects mission is to support all individuals to help them to reach their full potential and create a better future.**

Mrs Fong



I have worked for the company for 7 years and have held different positions within the team. I started as an Engagement worker, working with NEET Young people within Knowsley to support them back into Education, Work, or Training.

I then went on to deliver Personal Development programmes throughout schools within the region to help support young people and raise their confidence, commitment, control, and aspirations.

Mrs Leamey



I have worked for the company for 13 years and have held different positions within the team. I started as an administrator, then gained an apprenticeship to become a Coach working with NEET Young people to support them back into Education, Work, or Training. I also have experience of developing and delivering Personal Development programmes throughout schools within the region to help support young people and raise their confidence, commitment, control, and aspirations.

We are passionate about helping and supporting young people on their learner journey and are looking forward to meeting you and to work with you all at Lord Derby Academy. **Our role is to provide you with independent advice on your career plans and ideas you have for the future.** We can provide information on all the post-16 options that are available to you to support you in making an informed decision, and to support you in ensuring that any plans are realistic and achievable. **We are in school every Wednesday and are based in the atrium. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact your Student Support Manager and they will pass the request on to us. Parents/carers can contact us via Mrs Kelly and we will get back in touch with you.**

Congratulations to Lewis in Year 11 who is now the English Under 16 MMA Champion



KS4 Languages

Our KS4 pupils have shown resilience and maturity upon return in September, their Language skills are flourishing and their self-belief has returned.

Pupils understand the purpose of learning a Language and how it can link to Post 16 studies and successful career opportunities in their futures.

The MFL Department is so proud of the positive start from our linguists.

Well done KS4!



Mrs Holme
Head of
Department



Mr Wynne
Deputy
Head of
Department



Mrs Jamieson
Classroom
Teacher



Mrs Greaves
Classroom
Teacher



Mrs Brophy
Classroom
Teacher



Mrs Arnold
Deputy
Headteacher



Mrs Ellis
Deputy
Headteacher

Languages and Wellbeing

During the European Week of Languages pupils looked at the research behind the health benefits of learning a language. We all know it is fun, but what else can learning a language do for us?



Improve Cognitive Functions – you are basically 'exercising' your brain!

- Increased attention
- Better working memory



Fight Depression

- Meet new people
- Build new relationships and connections
- Develop confidence



Delay your brain ageing

- Brain stays healthier for longer
- Delays dementia symptoms

Have fun!

- You can learn another language as a hobby!
- You can watch YouTube videos in another language!
- You can watch Netflix shows from other countries
- You can listen to songs on Spotify in other languages
- You can turn the settings on your device to another language to practice common words

Open your mind

- Less prejudiced opinions
- Identify with more people
- Learn about other cultures



Boost confidence

- Communicate with others
- Understand new things
- Develop multitasking skills



Interesting Place...

Name: Machu Picchu

Country: Peru

Interesting Facts:

- It is a 15th century Inca citadel built high in the Andes mountains
- It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- You can only reach it by bus or by hiking the Inca Trail



Interesting Person...

Name: Shakira

Nationality: Colombian

Profession: Singer

Interesting Facts:

- She can speak Spanish, English, Italian & Portuguese
- She set up a charity called 'Los Descalzos' (Barefoot Foundation) to help improve access to education for poor children in Colombia



El mes de octubre

Tongue Twister...

TRES TIGRES TRISTES
TRAGABAN TRIGO EN UN TRIGAL
EN TRES TRISTES TRASTOS
TRAGABAN TRIGO
TRES TRISTES TIGRES



Idiom...

Tener memoria de pez

To have a memory like a sieve
(to be forgetful)

Recipe...

Arroz con pollo

