



THE DEAN TRUST
Lord Derby Academy

NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th November 2022

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

I have thoroughly enjoyed this week and I hope you have too.

On Tuesday evening we were honoured to host the Knowsley Musical MAPAS concert, during which schools across Knowsley joined together in song and celebration. Many thanks to our Head of Music Miss Boag-Munroe and our drama teacher Miss Holland for all their support with the event.

Then, on Thursday evening, we were delighted to welcome our former Year 11 pupils into school for an Awards Evening as they returned to collect their GCSE Certificates. We are incredibly proud of the Class of 2022 and I enjoyed hearing all about the progress they are now making through their latest stages of Education, Employment and Training.

Finally, it has been a pleasure this week talking with our pupils and looking at some of their exercise books. It is so useful to hear pupil views on the positive aspects of being a pupil at LDA and also on the areas they would like to see developed. We always aim to consider pupil views and I hope your child has taken part in the online survey which Miss Hampson has been running so that we can continue to respond to the voice of our young people.

With best wishes for the weekend,

V. Gowan

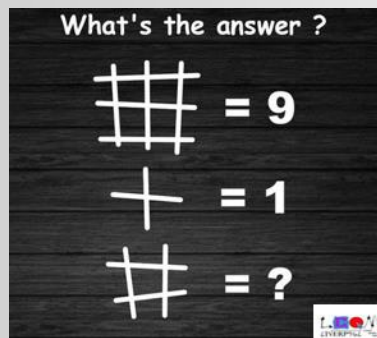
Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher



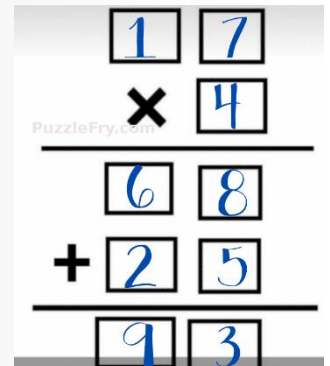
Victoria Gowan
Headteacher



This week's
Numeracy
puzzle...



Last
week's
answer...



KS3 PE

Key Stage 3 pupils have had a very positive start to the new academic year and PE staff are happy with the progress that has been made during the first half term.

This half term, classes across KS3 are enjoying Fitness, Volleyball and Football. We are also offering a whole host of PE enrichment activities, before and after school. PE enrichment timetables are displayed in the main atrium as well as the PE area.



Mr Parr
Head of
Department



Mrs Mills
Deputy Head of
Department



Mr Proctor
Head of
Year 7



Miss Morrison
Assistant
Headteacher



Mrs Blackmore
Head of Year 9



Mrs Molyneux
Classroom
Teacher



Mr Torode
PE Technician

Year 10 GCSE PE pupils have made a very positive start to their studies. They have begun by learning about physical training and have carried out a series of fitness tests across a range of the components of fitness including the multi-stage fitness test and the sit and reach test. We will soon begin to use this data to start the Performance Analysis coursework part of the course which involves pupils identifying their strengths and weaknesses then designing a training programme around their findings.

If your child misses a lesson due to illness etc then they can catch up by using the Year 10 lesson materials contained in the Year 10 GCSE PE Google classroom. Homework is given out every week.

Year 11 GCSE PE pupils have made a very positive start to their studies this year. They have begun Y11 by learning about sports psychology and anatomy and physiology. They will soon be sitting their Y11 mock exams and this time will sit a Paper 1 and a Paper 2 on Friday 2nd December and Friday 9th December so that the mock exam process emulates the real thing. In preparation for this, extra lessons are running on Friday between 3:00pm and 3:50pm.

It also important that Y11 devote time to develop their practical scores, they can do this by attending the relevant clubs within school:

Tuesday to Friday 8:00am - Basketball

Tuesday lunch – Volleyball

Tuesday 3.00 – 4:00pm – Netball

Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm – Trampolineing

Friday lunch – Table Tennis

Friday 4:00-5:00pm - Football

If your child misses a lesson due to illness etc then they can catch up by using the Year 11 lesson materials contained in the Year 11 GCSE PE Google classroom. Homework is given out every Friday and is always available to view with support materials on Google classroom.

PE KIT UPDATE

It is likely that all pupils will have some of their PE lessons outdoors during this half term. Please see details below about what pupils can wear in their PE lessons in order to keep warm.

- Plain black jogging / tracksuit bottoms.
 - Burgundy LDA PE shirt.
 - Plain black fleece.
- Plain black gloves (available from the PE office via ParentPay).
- Plain black base layer tops (available from the PE office via ParentPay).
- Plain black leggings / base layer bottoms (available from the PE office via ParentPay).
- Burgundy crew neck sweatshirt (available from the PE office via ParentPay - £9.99).

Please note that hoodies or coats are not allowed to be worn during PE lessons.

SPORTS STUDIES

Year 11 pupils are currently studying Contemporary Issues in Sport ready for their official examination in January 2023. They have been learning about the issues that affect participation in sports. For Year 11, our mock exam has been scheduled by your teacher so make sure you are fully prepared. Year 10 pupils have had a great start to their course. They are currently studying the Performance and Sports Leadership module and are making excellent progress with their first assignment. They have been learning about the importance of health and safety when planning their own coaching session. Their next assignment is to plan their own sports session, where pupils are expected to create a detailed session plan. The pupils are then assessed on their delivery of their session. Year 10 pupils have also begun to develop their practical scores in table tennis.

If your child misses a lesson due to illness etc then they can catch via Google classroom. On Google classroom they will find PowerPoint presentations and Year 11 additional resources, such as exam questions and past papers. Pupils can also request extra help/guidance by messaging their Sports Studies teacher.

So far this year Yr7,10 & 11 have all taken part in the Knowsley Netball Tournaments and played extremely well. Stand out performances came from N. Morrison Yr10, A. Harvey Yr7 and A. Lopez Yr11. Training is on every Tuesday 3.00pm to 4.00pm and all pupils are welcome. We are hoping to play more Netball matches against other local schools in the near future.



LDA pupils have enjoyed a visit last week from 22 Spanish pupils, one of our partnership schools in Durango, Spain. Both Spanish pupils and staff have loved their experience of the British education system and getting to know our Dean Trust ways, pupils have been extremely complimentary of their experiences. A huge thank you to the staff at LDA for supporting the cultural experience!



Winners!

Our pupils at Lord Derby Academy were invited to take part in the Knowsley New Age Curling Competition which was held at Alt Bridge School in Huyton on the 7th November. We took 9 children ranging from Years 7 to 10. After winning all five games we are proud to announce that our team are Knowsley Champions and will be representing Knowsley in the Merseyside finals.



University of Liverpool Maths School Trip

Year 11 Pupils took part in a visit to the University of Liverpool Maths School to engage and experience studying A levels in Maths, Physics and Computer Science.

The pupils completed a day of activities, investigating the use of simultaneous equations and the forming of parabola curves, particularly how they link to projectile motions and resultant forces.

The pupils actively took part in an experiment investigating the effect of resultant forces and how computer programming can support Mathematical and Statistical studies.



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Liverpool City Region Borough of Culture Celebration

On Tuesday 15th November, LDA was the venue for the culmination performance to celebrate Knowsley's year as Liverpool City Region Borough of Culture. Primary pupils from across Knowsley performed alongside musicians from the local Music Hub as well as pupils from Lord Derby Academy in the showcase which included the first performance of *The Place We Call Home*, a 'Song for Knowsley', which was written by pupils including the Yr11 Music group at LDA.

LDA pupils had worked alongside the composer Andy Smith when they were in Yr10 to help create the melodies and instrumental sections of the song; the lyrics were created by pupils from 13 local primary schools.

Poppy, Niamh and Alisha from the Y11 GCSE Music class shared excellent performances on voice and clarinet and were a credit to the school and an inspiration to the younger musicians.

Miss A Boag-Munroe
Lead Teacher of Music

	Activity	Year Group	Venue	Staff	Time	Enrichment activity	Cheerleading:
Monday	- Girls only Fitness	7 - 11	Sports Hall	Mr Dickinson	3pm		
Tuesday	- Netball	7 - 10	Muga	Mrs Mills	3pm	Where and when is it?	Fridays: 3:15pm – 4pm, G07. PE kit required.
	- Boys Football	7	Astro	Mr Proctor	3pm	What is it?	Cheerleading is the fastest growing sport in the UK, and is being taught at schools across the country. Cheerleading for LDA pupils is a great option, as it allows pupils to try a brand-new sport, encouraging regular exercise and even a new hobby!
	- Table Tennis	8 - 10	Atrium	Mr Dickinson	3pm	Why choose to take part in this enrichment activity?	Pupils will work on their physical endurance as Cheerleading is a great cardio workout. Stretching exercises in the sessions will support in developing flexibility and increase the pupil's range of movement. Cheer not only teaches athletic discipline, but also helps improve pupil's confidence and team-working skills. Cheerleading club will always have a chance to perform in the school talents shows, building confidence.
Wednesday	- Tramp	7 - 10	Sports Hall	Mrs Molyneux	3pm		
	- Boys Football	8 - 10	Astro	Mr Dickinson	3pm		
	- Y9 Sport	9	Sports Hall	Mrs Blackmore	3pm		
Thursday	- Girls only Football	7 - 11	Astro	Mr Dickinson	3pm		
Friday	- Dodgeball	7	Sports hall	Mr Dickinson	3pm	Who can sign up and who do you contact?	Pupils in KS3 can express an interest with Miss Taylor.



After School Sport – Autumn 1

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

Good luck to our Year 11 cohort who are starting their Mock examinations and autumn assessments next week.

Useful websites/apps:

bbcbitesize.co.uk

Quizlet.com

Tassomai (all pupils have a personal log-in)

www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/exam-stress/

Y11 Mock Examinations / Autumn Assessments November/December 2022									
w/c		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
21 st November	1 and 2			Maths Paper 1 – v band	Spanish – 11X1-4				
	3 and 4			Maths – Paper 1 – z band					
	5 and 6					Spanish 11x5-6			
28 th November	1 and 2	Spanish – X1-4 (session 1)	English Language Paper 1 - Sports hall	Mathematics Paper 2 - Sports hall	Geography – 11Y History 11Y	Option C – Dance / Health and social care / Biology – single science / PE – Paper 1			
	3 and 4				Science – Combined Physics Paper 1 / Chemistry – single science - Sports hall				
	5 and 6	Option D Drama /History/French/Astronomy/Computer science / Business	Spanish – X5-6 (session 5) DT – 11y	Geography – 11X History – 11X Business – 11X	French (session 6)				
5 th December	1 and 2	Drama – Practical exam	English Literature Paper 2 – v band	Maths Paper 3 – v band	Careers Fair	Art – Option C	Option C – PE paper 2 / DT		
	3 and 4		Physics – single science	Maths – Paper 3 – z band	Careers Fair				
	5 and 6		DT – Opt D	Engineering – 11y		Textiles – Option C			
12 th December	1 and 2	Art – Option D							
	3 and 4	Photography – 11Y							
	5 and 6		Sports studies – 11D						