



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have enjoyed your week.

Yesterday we were visited by the Secretary of State for Education the Rt. Honourable Gillian Keegan MP. You will probably be aware that Gillian Keegan grew up in Huyton and attended St. Augustine of Canterbury, which is the now the Huyton Leisure and Culture Park. For this reason, she requested to spend time with us. The Secretary of State enjoyed a tour of the school and she welcomed the opportunity to speak with pupils, staff and Dean Trust/school leaders. We were proud to talk about our school journey, our inclusive and aspirational ethos and our ambitions for the future with the Minister.



Miss Gowan  
Headteacher

We have also celebrated National Careers Week and World Book Day this week. Pupils have engaged in a series of workshops and webinars, including on site sessions with Channel 4. A number of external visits have also taken place, for example a Year 10 Health and Social Care visit with Ms Abel and Mr Hoslett and a Year 11 Business Studies trip to Edexcel sessions in the Trafford Centre.

Finally, we are also celebrating 'Techognition day' today, which is a day that celebrates the work carried out by technicians within schools. Many thanks to our staff technicians Mr Torode, Mrs Norton, Ms Carter, Mrs Robinson and Mr Fearon for their hard work behind the scenes to support pupils and staff at the school.

With best wishes for the weekend,

V. Gowan

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Headteacher



## This week's numeracy puzzle

Find the value of A and B using the information below:

$$A + B = 76$$

$$A - B = 38$$

$$A \div B = ?$$



## Last week's answer

$$\begin{array}{l} 8 + 8 + 8 = 24 \\ 7 + 7 + 8 = 22 \\ 3+3 + 3+3 + 7 = 19 \\ 2+2 + 2+2 + 8 = 16 \\ 9 + (2+3) \times 6 = 39 \end{array}$$

Since our last Pupil Parliament newsletter, multiple strong candidates have been recruited across Years 7, 8 and 9 so thank you very much to everyone who applied and well done to those who were successful. The Head and Deputy Head pupils have been really proactive in gaining thoughts from their Year 10 peers and have been working with the other members of the Pupil Parliament in relation to their chosen responsibility.

Head Girl, Eleanor C and Deputy Head Girl, Amy L have worked together to write an update on our Pupil Parliament.

Following the re-launch of Pupil Parliament, the Head and Deputy Head pupils pitched their preferred responsibilities and Mrs Greenhalgh, the school lead for pupil leadership, then assigned them.

The responsibilities and pupils leading them are:

**Enrichment** - Bethany R and Jess M

**Community** - Eleanor C

**School Improvement** - Amy L and Paul W

**Teaching and learning** - Alfie D

**Wellbeing** - Morning W



Pupil Parliament has already had a few meetings voicing what we like about our school and what they think could be developed or improved in our school. We have decided to come up with a Google form that will be sent out for pupils to complete in form time. There will be numerous questions which will enable pupils to say what they think is best and what they might want to see within our school.



Pupil Parliament members have also been busy with their focus on sustainability. Last week, several pupils from a range of year groups participated in a workshop with the Liverpool World Centre. In this workshop, members learnt about the importance of sustainability. From this, members have been inspired to take actions which will better the school's attitude to being sustainable. Representatives from those who participated in this workshop will discuss these actions and display their work to pupils from other schools in the following weeks. The meeting will be held at The Florrie Community centre.

Lord Derby Academy representatives include:

Bethany, Paul, Amy and Jess from Year 10

Corben J, Noah R, Jamie L and Ethan L from Year 8

Continuing with their focus on sustainability, Pupil Parliament members are eager to work with Mr Lloyd and those in the Eco club to start more projects which concern sustainability. For example, Jess M who has a responsibility for enrichment around the school has suggested building a school garden. In the garden, we will hopefully grow our own fresh produce, which could be used in our school meals.

