



NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd October 2020

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

It has been a calm and focused week at LDA. I am pleased to report that, at the time of writing, there have been no new cases of COVID19 amongst our pupils and we are looking forward to welcoming back our Year 8 X Band pupils from isolation on Monday.

Our new systems around school are fully embedded and pupils and staff continue to adhere to them diligently.

Staff have been working on our remote learning packages via Google Classroom and I am confident in saying we are developing this aspect of our provision at a pace. It has been useful to consult with parents and pupils and to build on their feedback this week. Your child will also be receiving a home learning booklet - which is being provided to ensure that, in the event of self-isolation, your child has appropriate work should you encounter any internet issues at home. The booklet will also give pupils the opportunity to have a break from excessive screen time.

The Liverpool City Region will be under new restrictions from Saturday and I hope you are able to enjoy a pleasant weekend in the circumstances. Please see below for a message from the Chief Executive of the Dean Trust Mr Kapur CBE.

With kind regards,

V Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

CEO Message to Parents/Carers

I am taking the unusual step of writing to all parents/carers of pupils in The Dean Trust during these difficult times. We wish all our pupils who are ill with Covid19 a speedy recovery.

I would like to begin by thanking you all for your incredible patience and support, particularly those families affected by year groups having to self-isolate at home.

I am however seeking your further support. We have recently had cases of pupils coming into school who are clearly unwell. A number of these pupils have subsequently tested positive for Covid19. As a result, we have been advised by Public Health England to send home classes and occasionally full year groups of pupils.

I would urge that all our parents and carers remain vigilant of any symptoms that their child has that could indicate that they have Coronavirus (COVID-19) and ensure that they remain at home. It is then very important that contact is made with the local health protection team and a Covid19 test is taken. We are making every effort to keep as many pupils in school as possible but to succeed, we need to work together to limit the risk of transmission within our schools.

Once again, thank you for your continued support during this challenging time.

Tarun Kapur CBE
Chief Executive

Virtual Enrichment at LDA

Use the Google Classroom codes to get involved with our online Enrichment activities this term. Remember that you can continue working on your LDA Resilience Award if you are isolating at any point, all the information you need is on the Classroom group.

The Bronze, Silver and Gold LDA Awards are up and running too...watch this space for a new Google Classroom Code.

Enrichment Timetable 2020-21

Google Classroom Codes for Virtual Enrichment

Virtual Choir pq2jnfi

Virtual Chamber Choir ol6liav

Virtual Science Kitchen (Y7 & Y8)
3w6ti6t

Virtual Recycled STEM (Y9) pp7iuqt

Virtual Maths s4n64ku

LDA Resilience Award 6q47it2

NUMERACY PUZZLES

$$\text{Blue glass} + \text{Blue glass} + \text{Blue glass} = 15$$

$$\text{Yellow glass} - \text{Yellow glass} + \text{Blue glass} = 10$$

$$\text{Red glass} + \text{Red glass} - \text{Red glass} = 06$$

$$\text{Blue glass} + \text{Red glass} \times \text{Yellow glass} = ?$$

Find the value of each item:

$$\text{Orange} + \text{Watermelon} + \text{Orange} = 21$$

$$10 = \text{Strawberry} + 4 + \text{Strawberry}$$

$$\text{Strawberry} + \text{Orange} = 8$$

$$14 = \text{Orange} + \text{Orange}$$

$$\text{Strawberry} + \text{Orange} + \text{Watermelon} + \text{Orange} = ?$$

677 LDA parents are currently following their child's Behaviour for Progress on the Class Charts app. **Are you?**

Call reception today for your login details.



Faculty of the Week **Science**

Science Department News

The Science department at LDA are so happy to be back teaching their favourite subject and although things are a little bit different, we have another busy and exciting year ahead of us!

See below the topics that are being covered this term.

Year 7	Practical skills, cells, acids and alkalis
Year 8	Atoms, elements and the periodic table
Year 9	Light and sound
Year 10	Paper 1 Edexcel GCSE units
Year 11	Paper 2 Edexcel GCSE units

Home Learning Information

See below for a range of work that can be accessed should your child need to work at home. Remember that all Google Classroom codes are available on ClassCharts.

Hard copy work booklet – All pupils should have received a printed-out booklet containing work to be completed for when there is no internet access at home.

Individual class Google Classrooms – The first place to look for work specifically designed for each individual Science class and a place to communicate with the individual class teacher.

Year group Google Classrooms – Classrooms which Mr Hambleton (KS4) and Miss Hardman (KS3) post extra resources and Science faculty notices.



Google Classroom

As well as the Classroom code for your individual science class, there are also Classrooms available for each year group.

Subject	Code
Year 7 science	5n7u23n
Year 8 science	zu6wotr
Year 9 science	pyqahvx
Year 10 combined science	26c2hvg
Year 11 combined science	mpfsbmn
Year 7 STEM	c4sobba
Year 8 STEM	foovefn
Year 9 STEM	4y6k7kw

Year 10 and 11 will have also received their Working From Home Science packs.

Revision Techniques

The pandemic is making young people anxious as it is, never mind the added impact of GCSE exams. Here are a few revision tips you could try:

Create a revision timetable. Make sure you include breaks and drink plenty of water. There is a sample revision timetable and top tips in the combined science Google Classroom.

Don't just read notes. Make mind maps, flash cards, post-its, anything that makes it a little different. Find something that works for you.

Set manageable goals. You can't revise an entire subject in 1 hour, split each subject into topics/sections and revise in small chunks.

Watch videos online. Make sure these are approved for your subject and level.

Test yourself using past exam papers. These are freely available by visiting the exam board website, you even get the mark schemes.

Build in rewards for completing your revision. These can be anything from snacks, playing video games, checking social media or even buying yourself something new.

Ada Lovelace Day –

Tuesday 13th October 2020

All KS3 pupils are invited to be part of a virtual STEM careers event on **13th October 2020**.

Ada Lovelace Day is held every year to celebrate the achievements of women in STEM careers. Created in memory of Ada, in recognition of her ground-breaking contributions to computer technology, this will be an ideal way to promote the profile of women in STEM and give pupils the opportunity to learn about job roles, pathways and skills needed in STEM careers. Pupils will have multiple opportunities to learn from female STEM professionals through a timetable of live webinars throughout the day.



Virtual Science Enrichment Clubs!

Do you have a passion for Science and are missing our usual extra-curricular activities?

As we cannot currently run our many after school Science/STEM clubs we have set up some Google Classrooms with some great activities you can try at home.

Year 7 & 8: Your extra-curricular club is called "KITCHEN SCIENCE" and the class code is 3w6ti6t

Year 9: Your extra-curricular club is called "RECYCLED STEM" and the class code is pp7iuqt

Mrs Fitzsimon would love you to upload pictures of the activities you do at home to the Google Classroom. There will be achievement points and possibly prizes for those who do. Have fun!

Star Scientists!

Year 7 – Bailey P, Layla S, Kaitlyn D, Abbie P, Grace D

Year 8 – Courtney C, Emily W, Tyler D, Mollie L
Year 9 – Kyle B, Chelzi C, Connie B, Amy Jo S, Jessica S, Jack H, Daniel C

Year 10 – Ryan G, Holly T, Matthew H, Harry D, Emily H

Year 11 – Naomi S, Mollie C, Igor S, Ellie S, Darcy S
Astronomy – Dylan D



Mr Hambleton
Head of Department



Miss Hardman
Deputy Head of Department



Mrs Fitzsimon
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Lancelott
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Smart
Classroom Teacher



Mr Kidd
Classroom Teacher



Mr Chapman
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Pugh
Classroom Teacher



Ms Lally
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Hughes
Transition Tutor



Mrs Norton
Technician

