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HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

Welcome to our Christmas newsletter which is full of stories about the many events and amazing achievements of our students from the last term.



The first term of the academic is always very busy. This year due to all the events being in our new building, it has seemed more exciting than ever.

It has been lovely to welcome so many visitors from parents and prospective parents to primary students and special guests, all have been very welcome.

As always, our newsletter celebrates achievements in the widest sense. We are sharing news of charity events, academic awards and successes both individual and team based. Throughout them all, Deyes students have made us the proudest a staff body could possibly be. As you read on, we are sure you will agree.

As the close of term approaches, I would like to thank you for your incredible support over the Autumn Term and to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a wonderful festive season. I hope that 2025 brings many joyful times for you and your families.

We look forward to working with you again in the Spring term and to celebrating many more happy times ahead.

Kindest wishes,

Mrs. Beaney, Head of School

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Student Recognised at Awards Evening



In October, we hosted our annual Awards Evening. Over 130 awards were presented for a variety of different achievements. Each year group recognised students for Academic Achievement and contributions to the wider school community through Pastoral Awards. We also acknowledged students' achievements through individual Subject Awards.

These awards are particularly meaningful as they celebrate students' achievement, not only academically but also through their attitude to learning and overall contributions in lessons during the year.

We also recognised last year's Year 11 students for their excellent results and welcomed back our Year 13 leavers who have now started their higher education journey in various universities across the country.

Congratulations to all pupils who attended the evening and their parents and guardians, who were very proud to watch their children collect awards.

[Click here](#) to watch our highlights video.

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Outstanding Open Evening



Our recent open evening was a huge success. We enjoyed meeting over 1,500 primary students, families and carers and showing them around our new school building.

We had lots of activities on offer including sports challenges, a chocolate taste test, Journey through Dickens, Sherlock, Bronte and Shakespeare, practical pupil cooking demonstrations, Black Death taster lessons, live music and Science Experiments, Bangs and Explosions.

Feedback from visitors was very positive. One parent said: "Thank you for an amazing experience. We really enjoyed the tour, meeting teachers and finding out about enrichment opportunities. It put our minds at ease and the new facilities are wonderful." A student added: "I enjoyed the sports challenges and would like to come to Deyes."

Thank you to all staff and students who supported the open evening.

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Anti-Bullying Schools Project



Deyes High School choir joined hundreds of primary and secondary school students from the Anti-Bullying Schools Project an event at St. George's Hall recently as part of Anti-Bullying Week.

The event was led by staff from Knotty Ash Primary School and supported by various schools, who wanted to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. The theme of this year's event was Choose Respect. Hearing and deaf students performed songs which celebrated respect, kindness and power.

Stand-up comedian John Bishop said: "I've come to the event today to participate in the event and watch children from around Liverpool who have been learning sign language. My message to everyone is to celebrate difference and inclusion. Joking about differences can upset people and that's not ok." Our students really enjoyed learning BSL and performing at the event as well as meeting John Bishop. Well done to all staff and students who supported the event.

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New Build Site Update



The new Deyes High School building opened in April and staff and students are enjoying the brand new facilities.

Work on phase two of Deyes High School's new build is progressing well. The demolition of the old school buildings is now substantially complete.

The preparation of both the new car park and sports pitch facilities will commence in January. All the concrete and bricks from the old buildings have been crushed on site and this material will be used in the preparation process. The new section of the sports pitch to the North of the existing 6th form was seeded in the summer and is growing well.

The safety of community and site personnel is extremely important, therefore the perimeter hoarding will remain in place throughout the duration of the remaining works.

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Careers Festival Inspires Students



We held our annual Careers Festival in September, which was a resounding success. Over 50 exhibitors from colleges, universities, training and apprentice providers, entrepreneurs and employers attended the event and discussed future opportunities with more than 600 Year 9 to Year 13 students and their parents.

All Year 11 students attended the event as part of their Careers programme. Students had meaningful conversations to find out more about future options. They also participated in mock interviews with professionals.

Mrs. Beaney, Head of School, said: “The Careers Festival offers our students valuable opportunities to meet professionals who can inspire, enthuse, and motivate them to think about their post 16 destination, prospective careers, and employment options. It is a vital part of our Careers agenda. Well done to everyone involved in the event.”

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College@Deyes Open Evening



College@Deyes Open Evening welcomed hundreds of students and their families recently. Subject stalls were set up in the Sports Hall where A-Level and BTEC teachers and student ambassadors explained topics, entry requirements and career pathways.

Information talks with Miss. Griffith-Evans, Director of Sixth Form, took place in the main hall and student ambassadors also provided a tour of the newly refurbished Sixth Form. Several universities including Edge Hill University and Liverpool John Moores University spoke to students about subject combinations and opportunities in higher education.

One parent commented: “The event has been a good opportunity to see the new build facilities and refurbished Sixth Form. The staff and students we spoke to provided lots of valuable information and helped my son decide College@Deyes is the right option for him.”

A Deyes Year 11 student added: “I want to study Science and Maths A-Levels and found it useful to find out about topics we’ll be covering as well as future career options.” Well done to all students and staff who helped deliver this successful event.

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National Apprenticeship Show visit

In November, our Year 11, 12 and 13 student, visited the National Apprenticeship show in Liverpool. Over 50 different businesses, universities and employers had stands at the event, all offering fantastic apprenticeship opportunities, from entry level to higher and degree. Professionals provided guidance to our students on apprenticeship opportunities across various sectors including Airbus, Barclays, NHS North West and Weightmans. Students came away with lots of thought-provoking advice and information.



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Festive Fun at Deyes Christmas Market

The school welcomed students, families and members of the local community to our Deyes Christmas Market recently. Over 30 stallholders sold festive gifts including clothes, jewellery, art, cakes and cards.

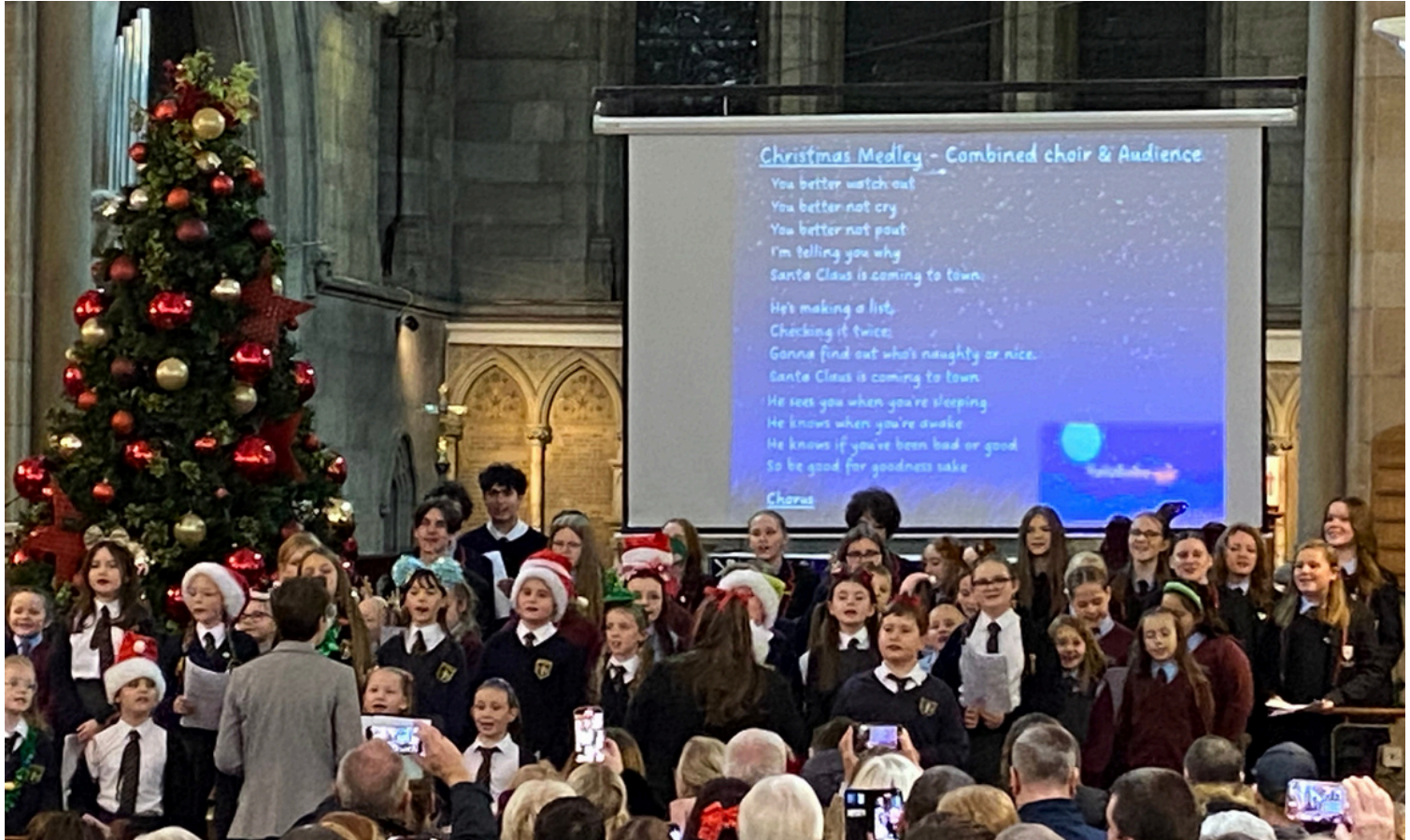
Maghull and Aughton Rotary Club arranged for Father Christmas to make a special appearance and Maghull Wind Orchestra performed lots of festive tunes. Deyes was delighted to welcome Mayor of Maghull Cllr. Kenneth Hughes and hundreds of other attendees.

Thank you to Mrs. Byrne and Mrs. Fozard who organised the event plus all other staff, volunteers, vendors and attendees for making the event such a resounding success. In total, we raised £750 for MND Association and Macmillan Cancer Support.



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Deyes Christmas Concert



Deyes Expressive and Performing Arts Department's Christmas Concert was a resounding success recently. Children from St. Andrew's Primary School and Lydiate Primary School joined us at St. Andrew's Church for school and collective performances.

Our students delivered amazing performances including readings, Deyes Voices, the Deyes High Orchestra, the Deyes Heavy Metal Band, Pink Nights and the College@Deyes 6th form band. The Deyes Year 7 Drama Club performed Family Christmas time.

St. Andrew's Primary Choir sang 'Try Everything' from Zootopia and the Lydiate Primary Choir performed 'Somewhere only we know' and 'Angels Singing'.

Mrs Byrne said, "It was a fantastic evening of Christmas entertainment for the whole family and community of Maghull. It was fabulous to collaborate with the staff and pupils of St. Andrew's and Lydiate Primary. All pupils performed outstandingly well and we are so blessed to have such committed and talented pupils at Deyes High School." Continued...

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Lydiate and St. Andrew's Join Concert

Lydiate Primary headteacher Mrs Forshaw, commented: "It was a fabulous evening, and lovely to part of such a talented group of pupils from other schools. We look forward to working with Deyes again - thanks to you all for all the organisation and support."

Miss Barton from St. Andrew's Primary School added: "The concert really inspired our children with music, dance and drama. Their faces were a picture when they heard the choir sing four part harmony - something they may not have heard live before. Seeing and listening to the woodwind ensemble and other instrumentalists was wonderful. It's great to see a thriving, talented performing arts department in action and we look forward to collaborating again in the future."

Well done to everyone involved.



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Year 10 Work Experience

As part of the Key Stage 5 Work Related Learning curriculum, students have the opportunity to experience the world of work first-hand.

The Year 10 work experience programme will take place from Monday 10 – Friday 14 March 2025 so our students can connect with employers and immerse themselves in different careers. Placements will also help our students to stand out from the crowd when applying for their post 16/18 destinations and future job applications. Both forms for Year 10 Work Experience Programme must be completed by Friday 24th January 2025.



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Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 10 - Friday 14 March 2025

Scan here for student self-placement form

Scan here for the employer form

Find your own placement
Complete student & employer forms by Friday 24 January 2025

Year 12 Work Experience

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Year 12 Work Experience
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th June 2025

Scan here for student self-placement form

Scan here for the employer form

Find your own placement
Complete student and employer forms by Monday 7th April 25

We launched our Year 12 Work Experience Programme recently.

Self-placement and employer forms must be completed by Monday 7th April 2025.

The week-long placements will start on Monday 23rd June and offer students the chance to learn more about prospective careers

Year 7 Football Team News



It's been a positive start for the Year 7 football team, they are a very good footballing side with talented players. The team spirit is amazing, and each student plays for one another which is always a joy to watch. Unfortunately, despite dominating many of the games, the results have not always gone our way.

Every week these students impress with their maturity on a football pitch. The way they play their football, has been a joy to be involved in. I am proud of each player and next year, I hope the games they dominate turn into wins.

Mr Richardson



Fantastic Start For Netball Team



It's been a fantastic start to Netball on our new Netball courts. We have trained every Friday, where we have regularly had over 40 students in attendance. It's been great to see many students making their first appearance for Deyes. This has culminated in a real team ethos at training, resulting in some strong performances across the fixtures. We hope to improve further, in the next round of matches. Well done, everyone! Mr Rodgers



Year 7 Inter Form Competition



During the first half term, students in Year 7, put the invasion game knowledge they had learned into action! All students competed as a form, in tag rugby and netball.

It was great to see the forms working together. They were awarded points for leading warm ups, their tactics, their sportsmanship and the number of goals and tries they scored. The competition was extremely close, with Mr Rodgers, 7BRO form crowned champions! The next instalment will be football and basketball in February.



Under 14's Skills Festival



In November, we took a squad of students from Year 7, 8 and 9 to Chesterfield High School. We competed in the Under 14 Skills festival. Students competed in many different activities, including Volleyball, Archery, Curling and more. The students represented the school impeccably, and came away with a number of gold medals!

Year 7 Tag Rugby

We took a squad of 16 Year 7 students to compete against Chesterfield High School in Tag Rugby. The students performed admirably, against experienced opposition. There was some great attacking play, with brilliant tagging on show. There will be more to come.



Scarlett Makes British Championships



Scarlett from Year 10 was selected to compete in the British Gymnastics competition in Telford recently.

Scarlett trains in Liverpool Trampoline Gymnastics Academy. In less than a year competing in tumbling, Scarlett qualified for the British Trampoline Championships, which was held in the Telford International Centre.

Scarlett competed two clean runs and finished 11th in her age category and is now going on to upgrade her runs for future competitions.

Well done Scarlett, we're very proud of your achievements.



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- <https://www.liverpoolcamhs.com/>
- <https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/>
- <https://liverpool.gov.uk/children-and-families/childrens-social-care/getting-help/careline-child-services/>
- <https://www.citizensadvice.liverpool.org.uk/>
- <https://111.nhs.uk/> <https://liverpool.gov.uk/children-and-families/childrens-social-care/young-carers>

SHARP System

Access our School Help Advice Reporting Page System:
deyeshigh.thesharpsystem.com

This is a confidential way to get help or advice for you, or if you are worried about a friend or someone else who needs support

