

# #TEAM DEYES NEWSLETTER

July 2024



# HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

Welcome to the final newsletter of 2023-24 from Deyes High School – the end of a momentous year.



Since moving into our new school and the summer exam series ending there has been a whirlwind of trips - to Berlin, Poland, Alton Towers, Barcelona and the Duke of Edinburgh expeditions as well as sports events, The Addams Family production and other school celebrations. Students have certainly been busy over the last few weeks and have shown their commitment to our school and our values. Their talents are limitless.

Student attitudes and behaviour have been overwhelmingly exemplary, and we are so glad that they love their new school building, showing respect for it at all times. They are an absolute credit to our school and to you, their families. We hope you enjoy reading all about the last half term as much as we enjoyed the experiences.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely summer and to thank you for your support as always. We have much to look forward to in the new academic year which will be here before we know it! In the meantime, enjoy time with your families and have fun.

Kindest wishes,

Mrs. Beaney, Head of School

### **Amazing Addams Family Show**



Well done to the cast and crew of Addams Family for delivering three fabulous shows recently. As well as the two packed evening shows, we welcomed local primary school students to a special matinee which the Year 6's found thoroughly entertaining.

Head of School Mrs. Beaney said: "Well done to our talented students both on the stage and behind the scenes. You were all amazing and achieved an excellent standard. We're very proud of you all!"

Mrs. Byrne, Head of EPA, added: "Congratulations to students and staff for all of their hard work in rehearsals over the last few months and delivering such a wonderful show. It has been wonderful to see you all grow and develop your skills."

<u>Click here</u> to watch our highlights reel and <u>click here</u> to see our official show programme.

Next year's show will be 'Beauty and the Beast'.

## **New Year 7 Have Terrific Transition Day**

Our new Year 7 form teachers, Head of Year and staff enjoyed meeting our wonderful new students recently during their Transition Day.

Student spent a day doing fun activities including Science, English and PE. Our current Year 7 student ambassadors supported the day and helped students during lessons as well as answering lots of questions about school life.

Well done to all student ambassadors and staff for making transition day a success.

We look forward to welcoming our Year 7's to summer school in August and on their first day of term in September.

Feedback from students was very positive:

"I enjoyed making new friends and getting to know my form"

The new school building is very cool and everyone was very friendly!"

"I really liked the detective mystery and lighting bunson burners in Science."



#### **Deyes Quality Careers Standard**



Deves High School is celebrating after achieving the Quality in Careers Standard, the national quality award for careers education, information, advice, and guidance (CEIAG) in secondary schools and colleges.

Quality in Careers Standard is based on the Gatsby Benchmarks for Good Careers Guidance, and DfE (Department for Education) "strongly recommends all secondary schools and colleges to work towards this qualification.

To achieve the Standard, schools and colleges submit their careers education and guidance programme for rigorous external assessment and accreditation. The Standard requires secondary schools to demonstrate that their careers programme has strong leadership from the Head Teacher, the senior leadership team, and the governing body, has effective training for staff involved in planning and delivering the careers programme and includes all pupils and students.

Mrs. Beaney, Head of School, said: "We are delighted to achieve this highly sought after accreditation recognising our careers programme including education, enterprise, and work-related learning opportunities for students. Parents can be confident that the careers support provided at Deyes will help their children gain the knowledge, skills, and confidence to take control of their futures."

#### **Tackling the Blues Programme**

Tackling the Blues is a sport, physical activity and education-based mental health literacy programme, which supports children and young people who are experiencing, or are at risk of, developing mental illness.

Deyes High School and Everton in the Community invited a specially selected group of students from Year 7, 8 and 9 to take part in the programme from November 2023 to June 2024. Students took part in weekly physical activity and classroom-based sessions to encourage positive behaviour change.

One highlight was a session with Everton ambassador and player Ian Snodin who spoke to Year 9 students on the theme of 'isolation & loneliness'. Students asked Ian lots of questions and heard how he used his confidence and connections to be successful.

Many thanks to Everton in the Community, The Department of Sport and Physical Activity and The Faculty of Education at Edge Hill University who deliver this programme for your support. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the activities and many agree it has given them a better understanding of their mental health and how to look after it.



#### **No To Negativity**



This half-term we launched our "No to Negativity" campaign. The campaign is a school wide anti-bullying initiative to ensure we create a learning environment that is safe and secure for all students at Deyes High School.

Here at Deyes one our core school values is Respect For Others. All students are required to show respect and value all individuals for their diverse backgrounds, experiences, styles, approaches, ideas and beliefs. Those who do not buy into this core school value are compromising the learning environment we wish to create. This is why we have used the research and case studies provided from the Anti-Bullying Alliance to review our school Anti-Bullying policy and launch our own 'No to Negativity' campaign!

Our 'No to Negativity' campaign data informed approach to tackling bullying behaviour utilises our school behaviour system to track and monitor trends in behaviour in school. This approach allows the school pastoral team to intercept and tackling bullying behaviour early with adequate evidence and to escalate concerns. Our students informed us they would like staff to take action on bullying without them having to disclose it to an adult and more education around bullying to encourage positive student behaviour.

Staff now report all negative interactions which are recorded on School Synergy. Three or more cases of negative interactions will be treated as student demonstrating bullying behaviour and the Pastoral team will take a range of disciplinary steps in response.

Click here for more details and resources.

#### Farewell Year 11 and 13 students



We said goodbye to our Year 11s recently and reflected on lots of happy memories at our special assembly. We're very proud of you all and it's been a pleasure to watch you grow and develop. Best of luck for the future, including those coming to College@Deyes in September! Click here to watch the highlights.

Best wishes also go to our fabulous Year 13 students.



#### **Careers & Wellbeing Deep Learning Day**

We held a Deep Down Day last month for all Year 7-10 students who a jam-packed programme of engaging and informative activities.

Year 7 took part in Loudspeaker's 'MoneyBall' workshop which focused on teamwork, problem solving and enterprise skills. Feedback from students and staff was very positive.

A student commented "I've learnt a lot about communication and now understand how these skills will help me in my future career."

Mental and physical fitness was the focus for Year 8 including Mini Medics where students learnt about how to support their own and others positive mental health. Anfield Boxing Club held a discussion about Knife Crime and Coach Sean spoke about 'Healthy body, healthy mind'.

A student said "I really enjoyed the sessions about positive mental health and have some new tips which I will use when I'm stressed."









## **Careers & Wellbeing Deep Learning Day**

Year 9 spent the day learning about youth violence, healthy relationships and mental health including sessions from Stand Against Violence, Everton in the Community's Ahead of the game and SWACA.

Year 10 students took part in a 'Meet the professionals' event to learn about different careers paths and also took part in sessions about post 16 options and an insight into student life.

James Ratcliffe, Tackling the Blues Coordinator said: "Ahead of the Game teaches young people how to talk about mental health, get help when needed and overcome life's challenges. We had lots of open and positive conversations with students."

David Foster from Stand Against Violence added: "The students were very interested in the sessions and asked lots of questions to understand why people made bad choices and ended up in prison."

A huge thank you to all of the employers and external providers who supported our Drop Down Day last month. The day was a huge success and our students built their confidence and knowledge as well as developing teamworking, leadership and communication skills which will help them in their careers.









## **CAREERS**

#### **Enterprise Club Fundraising**

Our Enterprise Students held an ice lolly sale recently to raise money for food hampers for local disadvantaged families over the summer.

Well done team and thanks to all of the students who bought lollies! We raised £123 which will support Big Help Project's summer programme.



#### Year 12 Cancer Research Trip

Our Year 12 Biology students had a fantastic day gaining an insight into Cancer Research @LivUni. Students met leading university researchers and learnt about development in Cancer Research and toured the state of the art labs. Thanks to all involved \*\*
#Careers.





#### PE

#### **Sefton Athletics Championships**



A group of 90 students represented Deyes in the Sefton Athletics championships at Wavertree on Tuesday 25th June. The students did us and themselves proud as their efforts were outstanding.

We achieved many successes throughout the year groups and different events. Each year group had a captain to ensure all students were organised. They all delivered their responsibilities with maturity and demonstrated excellent leadership qualities. The captains of the different year groups were:

- •Year 7- Chloe Hayzen and Alfie Tagoe
- Year 8- Isabella Nijs and Will Peacock
- Year 9- Megan Dykes and Shea Atlee
- Year 10- Lucy Teague and Charlie Street

The PE department would like to congratulate all of our athletes. It was a brilliant day and was lovely seeing them compete against other students from other local schools. Our students were a real credit to Deyes High School and should be very proud of themselves. Well done Team Deyes!

# PE

## **Team Deyes Athletics 2024 Winners**

Team	Event	Event Winners
7	200m Shot High Jump Triple Jump 300m Relay	Holly Wagner and Lewis McKilroy Ashleigh Coey Holly Wagner Alfie Tagoe Lewis McKilroy Holly Wagner/ Chloe Hayzen/ Emilia Whitney/ Bianca Ribas Dos Santos
8	Javelin Discus High Jump Long Jump 1500m Hurdles Relay	Reuben McIntyre Reuben McIntyre and Ashlyn <u>O'Nions</u> Alex Hargadon Ashlyn <u>O'Nions</u> Charlotte English Ava Buckley Isabella <u>Niis</u> / Amy Law/ Charlotte English/ Ashlyn <u>O'Nions</u>
9	1500m	Marley Rose Garrett
10	100m 200m Hurdles 800m High Jump	Hayden Bailey Maisie McKee (Year 9) Hayden Bailey Frankie Crellin Charlie Street

















## **Marley Prepares for English Nationals**



This summer, Marley will compete in the English Nationals Swimming competition in the 200 metre breaststroke event.

Marley has had a tough year with an ongoing knee injury but she's continued to train hard for 15-18 hours a week before and after school.

We'd like to congratulate Marley for her hard work and commitment and wish her the best of luck for the competition!



# AND FINALLY..

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- https://www.clearfear.co.uk/
- https://www.liverpoolcamhs.com/
- https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/
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#### SHARP System

Access our School Help Advice Reporting Page System: <u>deyeshigh.thesharpsystem.com</u>

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

