

Djanogly City Academy Spotlight

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Message from the Principal

As we look forward to the warmer spring weather and the promise of new opportunities, I would like to share with you the milestones that have so far shaped our spring term.

We began with a whole trust INSET day, to kick-start the term, where our staff heard from some incredibly inspiring speakers and engaged in professional development activities aimed at enhancing their teaching practices. These days are crucial to ensuring that we continue to provide the highest quality of education to our scholars.

Our Year 11 undertook mock exams earlier this term, providing them with an invaluable opportunity to gauge their progress and identify areas for improvement as they prepare for their final examinations this summer. Similarly, our post-16 students recently sat mock exams, preparing them for the challenges ahead as they advance into higher education or the workforce.

We invited parents of Year 8 and Year 9 to attend Parents Evenings, where they had opportunity to meet with teachers to discuss their children's progress and academic development. We then invited parents of post-16 students, hosting a dedicated Parents Evening for them, offering guidance and support as their children navigate their final years of schooling and prepare for university or other future endeavours. And then most recently, as our Year 9 scholars begin to consider their future academic pathways, we held an Options Evening to provide comprehensive information about the subjects and courses available to them. I don't think we have ever seen so many people at an event in school before!

Huge congratulations must go to our three, very talented Sing City finalists! We commend their dedication and passion for music, and we eagerly anticipate their performances in future competitions.

We were also delighted to offer some of our scholars the opportunity to experience the magic of opera with a trip to see La Boheme at the prestigious Royal Opera House in London. They all had a memorable and wonderfully enriching cultural experience. I just wish they had taken me!

And then, at the end of February, we staged our own production of Mozart's timeless masterpiece, The Magic Flute, along with VoiceChoice operatic group, at our own theatre at Sherwood Rise. Our Year 10 performer-leaders and Year 7 performers have been working tirelessly since last October to bring this enchanting opera to life, and many members of our community joined us for what was a spectacular performance. I was so proud!

So, as we embark on the latter part of the spring term, filled with learning, growth, and achievement, I extend my sincere gratitude to our dedicated staff, supportive parents, our hardworking scholars and post-16 students for their continued commitment to excellence.

My best wishes to you all,

Andy Smith
Principal

Year 7 Update



The year 7s had another great term!

They excitedly practised, prepared, and performed Matilda. Which was held on the 22nd March and this was a fantastic show full of confident year 7 scholars and wonderful costumes and acts.

The year 7s have continued to avidly read and with the support of Nottingham Trent University, were involved in a literacy initiative in which they all excelled; thankyou to Mr Alex McCafferty who led on this.



Finally, the year 7 team and the year 7 scholars would like to say a huge thank you to all the wonderful staff we have at DCA, who have nurtured, supported, and continued to motivate our scholars to be the best they can be; to show their appreciation, the year 7 scholars wrote thank you cards expressing their thanks.

Year 7 Team
Miss Devi and Mr Moran

Year 8 Update

During the Spring term year 8 scholars continued to work hard, excel and represent the academy with style, elegance and panache.
A group of our year 8 scholars showcased their outstanding talents in the DCA production of Matilda and represented the academy in the Sing City Finals in February.

We also welcomed Miss Heer to the Year 8 team as our Grad Lead taking over and continuing the excellent work of Miss Hack. Miss Heer has settled in very well and is already building strong and positive relationships with our scholars.

A large cohort of scholars (and Mr Davies) took part in the half term History walking tour of Nottingham with Ms Boaler where they learnt about Nottingham's links to the world famous AC Milan, the inspiration and ideas of J.M. Barrie who created and wrote Peter Pan, the history of Nottingham's Old Market square and Goose Fair and the location of first bank in England outside of London which is still a bank today!! We visited Stonebridge City Farm, the Robin Hood statue outside Nottingham Castle-where many stopped for a fantastic photo opportunity- and Ye Olde trip to Jerusalem.

Our scholars thoroughly enjoyed every second of the trip but not the blisters many of us suffered after completing the lengthy and hilly 6 mile round trip!! In lessons scholars continued to read and learn about Sherlock Homes' adventures in the Hound of the Baskervilles, widened their cooking repertoire, learnt how to read and use maps in Geography and continued their study of the causes of the World Wars in History and much, much more. We are looking forward to the Easter break but also to what we can learn and achieve in the summer term.

Year 8 Team
Mr Davies and Miss Heer

Year 9 Update

Overall, I would like to thank Year 9 for another fantastic term. Working with them day-to-day makes me incredibly proud to be in my role as their Achievement Leader. They are growing in their maturity as they have taken on the challenge of making very big decisions this term. They have started to have much clearer ideas about future plans and aspirations. I can not wait to see what next term has to offer and to celebrate more of their achievements. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the team supporting our scholars- teachers, Parents, Carers and friends- we simply could not do it without you. Thank you for all of your support.

Year 9 Options

Year 9 have had a very busy term this term with the Year 9 Options process. We had a wonderful turn out for our Options evening with so much support from friends and family. We had the highest attendance we have ever had for one of these events! I felt personally so proud and happy to see how well supported our scholars are. Since this event we have had lots of assemblies to guide our scholars in their choices. We have also had a fantastic careers fair event for year 9. Nearly every single scholar has made their choices and we are looking forward to getting started on them in year 10!





The School Production of Matilda the Musical

Staff, family and friends had the absolute pleasure of seeing our scholars perform within the school production of Matilda. We were beyond proud and blown away with their bravery and triumphs on the stage. We were especially proud as a year group to have six of our year group doing us so proud; Debora, Millie, Shanaye, Lilly-Mae, Zahraa and Elizabeth- they had a massive round of applause in our celebration assembly.



Year 9 in the Community!

Our community garden is coming on leaps and bounds. The greenery is becoming more definite plants and have leaped up with the support of our scholars who have been consistently volunteering and working with Ms Boalar and Ms Godfrey to create this fantastic space. The bounty from the garden has also been used by the canteen staff to add to and create dishes- such a success!

Year 9 Team
Miss Lipscome- Ridley and Miss Ray

Year 10 Update

Year 10 have had another exciting term!

Scholars have continued to work hard developing their understanding of GCSE content and many course-work scholars have already submitted part of the assessed work that will go towards their final grades.

Values groups have taken part in a project celebrating the many cultures represented in year ten, resulting in groups learning to play the Dutch national anthem on keyboard, creating artwork representing Iranian cultural dress and developing recipes for Albanian traditional dishes! Many scholars have also begun to look forward to the next steps in their Djanogly journey. Easter term brings many important events for year ten, with our first round of GCSE mock exams and work experience offering a taste of what next year will bring. Wishing all our year ten students and families a lovely half term!

Year 10 Team
Miss Stephenson and Miss O'Leary

Year 11 Update

The return to school in January has been a busy but successful period for Year 11! They have completed their final set of mock exams in February and have received their most accurate grades to date. Over the next half term, the battle will be on to revise the maximum amount of curriculum content and master the exam skills of their chosen subjects!

Whilst the Summer Exams are daunting, there are lights at the end of the tunnel... We have Year 11 leavers assemblies, hoodies and year books to distribute and the final event of Year 11 prom.

We'd love as many of you to celebrate with Year 11 on this exciting evening and give them the send off that they deserve.

Thanks,

Year 11 Team
Mr O'Byrne- Lynch and Miss Tarry

EVERYONE GRADUATES

DCA Rewards



At DCA we take every opportunity to celebrate our scholars and all the hard work that they do.

This term, as part of our Appreciation Week, we celebrated the scholars that have work incredibly hard and consistently show our GRAD values by awarding a range of prizes to those that receive the highest GRAD coins. In addition to receiving prizes such as chocolate prizes, sports sessions and movie aftrenoons, the top GRAD coin earning scholars had the opportunity to go on trips.

This term the scholars went to Clip n Climb in the first half term where they all had fun testing their climbing skills. In the second half term scholars went to Planet Bounce and had a relaxing afternoon lunch at the Homemade Cafe. They all had a wonderful time!

Keep working hard and showing GRAD!







"I enjoyed getting time out of school, spending time with my friends, getting to visit new places and getting to try out new things." ***Vincenzo Y10***

"I liked racing people on the walls and eating food with my friends." ***Lewis Y7***

"It was so cool and was a nice experience." ***Abhinav Y9***

Music and Drama Update

The Spring Term has been another busy one for the Music Department.

Trip to La Bohème at London's Royal Opera House, Garden – Thursday, 8th February 2024,

On Thursday, 8th February, 30 scholars from Years 7 and 10 went to see the opera, La Bohème at London's Royal Opera House, Covent Garden as part of a joint Music and Drama Departments trip. This was a special School's Matinee performance and saw different schools from across the country in attendance.

We travelled to London by coach, leaving school at 7am. For many of the scholars, it was their first-time visiting London. I did my best as a tour guide, as we passed famous London landmarks and theatres (although I kept getting my left and right mixed up to much amusement).

We then got to the Royal Opera House for the performance. I think many of the scholars were amazed as they entered the building and auditorium at just how beautiful it was. We took our seats, which were fantastic ones in the stalls.

The performance started with a small introduction from the singer playing Musetta, setting the scene of the opera, and giving them an overview of opera in general. This set the mood and atmosphere for the rest of the performance. Throughout the performance our scholars were impeccable, being respectful of both performers and audience. They responded accordingly to funny scenes that the performers were clearly having a ball with (including an over-the-top kissing scene in Act 2 that got the biggest reaction). Some of them also really got into the opera etiquette of shouting 'Bravo/Brava' after big solo arias. There were even a few that admitted to nearly crying after (spoiler alert), Mimi's death at the end of the opera. The whole performance was brilliant, with some incredible singing and playing by the orchestra, and some fantastic scenery.

At the end of performance, the scholars and whole audience reacted like they were at a Taylor Swift concert, and the performers clearly lapped it up.





The Year 10 scholars had the opportunity to go down to the Orchestra Pit so that they could see the orchestra up close. I think we had a few opera converts after this!

We had a little bit of time for pictures, before getting back on the bus to get back to school, where we arrived back at 7pm. There were many tired scholars, but a great time was had by all.

The Magic Flute VoiceChoice Event – Thursday, 29th February 2024

Since October, many of the Year 10 and Year 7 scholars at DCA have been working with local opera company, VoiceChoice. This has been supported by funding from both the Lady Carol Djanogly Memorial Fund, and Arts Council England. The Year 10's have been training as Arts Leaders, working with up to thirty Year 7 scholars.

A unique artist-led community organisation, run by international vocal coach Michelle Wegwart (Opera National de Paris, Operahaus Zurich, Salzburg Festival) and Tim Lole, VoiceChoice's purpose is to open up opportunities for people from all backgrounds to develop singing and performance skills in ways that encourage creativity, self-expression and to encourage appreciation and understanding of music and singing in the community through first-class performances. The principle of VoiceChoice is that workshops are run in schools and communities based around a particular opera and involving the participants in a whole range of creative activities which can include composing music, designing costumes and props, improvising dance, singing and acting.

The final performance of our Djanogly Opera Start project took place on Thursday, 29th February 2024 at 7pm in the Djanogly Theatre, Sherwood Rise. Based around Mozart's opera, The Magic Flute, scholars performed songs, staging and choreography that they themselves had created, alongside international professional singers and musicians performing extracts from the opera. Singers flew in from Germany, Poland, Portugal and Denmark to name but a few, just for the event.

Music and Drama Update

It was an incredible success, and the scholars involved did wonderfully, performing with such enthusiasm and energy. It was lovely to see the collaboration between the Year 7's and Year 10 Leaders in particular. They have built a strong bond over the course of the workshops, and the Year 7's clearly looked up to their leaders as role models, which is essentially what the project was all about. I found the whole thing very moving.

The Year 7's were split into four groups, each based around a character in The Magic Flute (the Prince, Papageno, the Princess and Kidnappers, and the Wizards). These were led by a couple of the Year 10's, who supported them in writing three songs, based around their characters and specific moments in the opera. They also came up with their own dramatic scene to introduce their character.

The scholars also enjoyed seeing the professional singers and musicians perform excerpts from the actual opera, and many remarked how impressive they found it. This hopefully served as inspiration to some and made them see what other career options were open to them, and they too could do this if they wanted to.

Many scholars came up to me on the Friday morning, asking when we could do it again! We are hoping to run a similar project next academic year. In the meantime, the Year 10 Leaders will join the VoiceChoice team for a series of workshops at Radford Primary School in June/July to put their skills into practice in a brand-new setting.

Matilda: The Musical Jr – Friday, 22nd March 2024

This Half-Term, Djanogly City Academy Scholars also performed Roald Dahl's Matilda: The Musical Jr at the Djanogly Theatre, Sherwood Rise on Friday 22nd March 2024.

This was their first time taking to the stage in a Musical, and they worked really hard to bring the tale of sweet and bright little Matilda Wormwood, a child of wondrous intelligence; different from the rest of her family, to life.

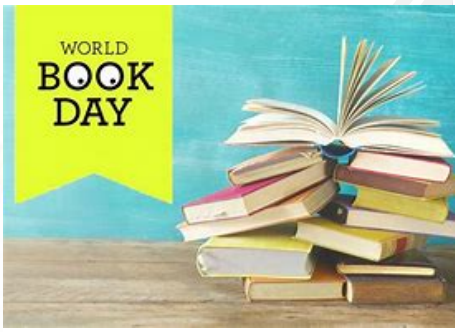
Djanogly City Academy's young people are still new to performing, but loved getting up on stage and beginning their journey into the limelight. It has been a huge commitment from the cast, with them giving up their evenings and weekends to make this the best show that it could be. They did themselves proud and performed with such energy on the night. It was lovely to see the camaraderie that they had built up over the rehearsal period, and it was clear that they had each other's backs throughout wanting everyone to shine.

Thank you to all of the parents and staff that came to support them on the night. The scholars really appreciated it.

This is just the beginning...



English Department Update



Priority Literacy and Booksparks

At Djanogly we are proud to be involved in a Department for Education funded programme of literacy to support improvement in English results at KS4 . As part of this project we have signed up to 'Booksparks', a citywide reading for pleasure strategy.

The project aims to:

- create a buzz around books
- promote reading for pleasure
- develop dialogues around reading
- improve reading skills
- provide opportunities for independent reading practice.

DANCOP have donated 10 copies each of the books (10 titles for Y7 and 8, 9 for Y9, and another 5 for Y10) and our scholars will have the chance to be involved in book groups, reading challenges in school and across the city, and to take part in online author events. A total of 59 scholars have already signed up to take part in the book clubs and other events.

World Book day and 'Booksparks'

To celebrate world book day scholars in Years 7-11 took part in a reading challenge competition which introduced them to some interesting novels from the 'Booksparks' project.

We had a fantastic response to this competition. Congratulations to all the winners!

Winners will receive £10 Love to Shop vouchers from their Achievement Leads.

All scholars are able to borrow copies of the Booksparks books from the library. Year 11 scholars also had the opportunity to take home books which were donated by the National Literacy Trust.

We had 100 copies in total and at the end of World Book Day only 10 remain – great to see such enthusiasm for reading!

Science Department Update

Djanogly City Academy celebrated national Science week with the launch of a competition!

Science week is a national period dedicated to celebrating Science and engineering even further. It ran from 8th March through to 15th March this year. The theme was "Time".

To celebrate this theme scholars had an assembly which linked in the nine protected characteristics: Age, Disability, Gender reassignment, Marriage and civil partnership, Pregnancy and maternity, Race, Religion or belief, Sex (gender) and Sexual orientation. Scientists including Gitanjali Rao, Jazmin Scarlett, Radu Balescu, Chinyere Ukaga, Manjula Reddy and Alan Turing were celebrated in the assemblies.

Keeping with the theme of time, a timeline of breakthroughs in Science and Engineering were also celebrated. Did you know that tarmac, shinpads, ibuprofen and the MRI scanner are all Nottingham inventions?

Scholars were invited to submit a presentation about any scientist or engineer from one of their own protected characteristics. Of the many entries, Laiba, in Year 7 won, basing her presentation on Mariam Al Astrulabi. A scientist known for helping develop navigation and timekeeping as we know it today.

Spanish Department Update

Over this term scholars in year 9 have been learning about different careers with languages and have heard from some people working in local businesses who use their language skills in their roles.

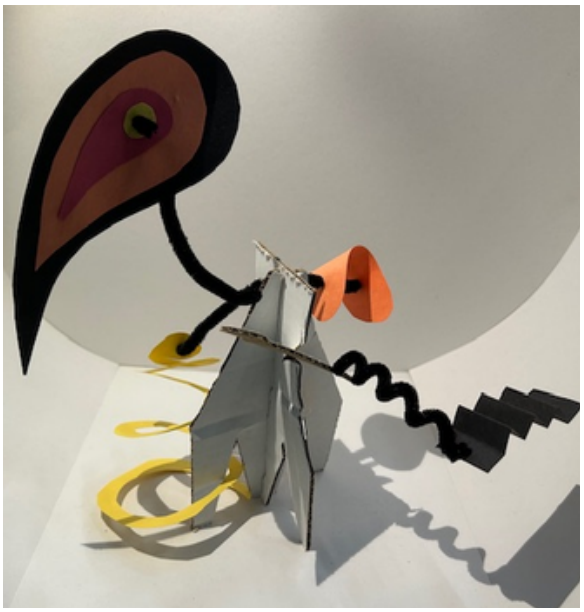
Scholars have learnt about jobs such as translation and teaching abroad as well as jobs such as player liaison agents for foreign footballers who are training with UK teams.

One scholar commented “I didn’t realise just how much I could do with language skills”.



Art & Design Department Update

This term our Year 8 scholar have been working extermely hard and have created some fabulous sculptures. The scholars were inspired by Alexander Calder’s kinetic sculptures and used the knowledge they gained throughout our topic of abstract expressionism to pull a 3-dimensional piece of work from their own 2-dimensional abstract paintings. The students really enjoyed creating their sculptures and produced some fantastic work.









PE Department Update

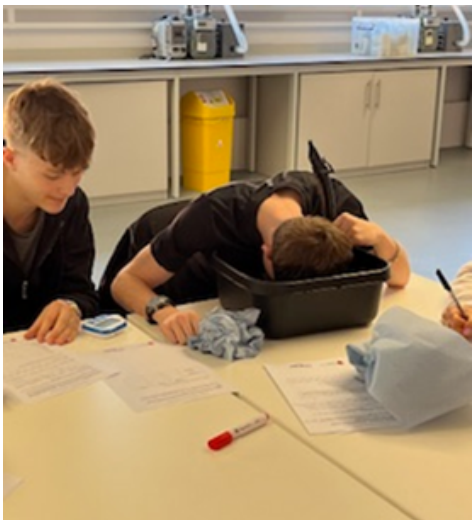
A group of Year 10 scholars represented Djanogly at the Nottingham City Schools Netball Tournament in February. The girls came 3rd place after a fantastic performance. Well done Girls you did us proud!





This Girl Can

Year 10 Sports Leaders run a successful Netball Club for year 8/9 after school on a Tuesday with an average of 14 scholars attending each week.





Yr12 Trip to NTU

8 Year 12 scholars attended a Nottingham Trent University Sports Science Day Experience
Testing there breathing and mental strength, Joe was a willing participant. All scholars interacted well but were somewhat camera shy.

Year 11 Girls Active have been selected out of a full cohort Nationally and received a prize and recognition for all of their hard work for being such positive role models and inspiring other girls to take part. They got to perform their dance at an awards evening hosted at Nottingham University to celebrate all that they have achieved.



PE Department Update

Over the last 3 years Fizzi has gone from being a quiet, shy girl in PE who did not want to perform in front of others, to such a strong positive role model who is now considering taking her dancing coaching skills to the next level to obtain a level 1 coaching course. Well done Fizzi, you have been such a role model not only to the other Girls Active, but to all DCA girls and staff!!





All of the leaders enjoyed teaching the girls from all schools their dance at the Girls Active event. All of their time spent planning and rehearsing paid off leading to a company from the Canada selecting our school to come and release their new brand.

Swimming Achievements:

Congratulations to the following scholars who have been awarded badges in swimming.

5 Metres

Marta
Marta
Zoya
Laxmi
Erin

25 Metres

Samia
Aleena
Polly
Viktoria
Adelaide
Lily-Mai
Starr
Desire
Maria

50 Metres

Sara
Arunthathi
Tsepar
Emanuella
Rose
Ella

200 Metres

Annabelle

A whopping 400 Metres

Ruby
Wanessa



DCA Scholar Leadership Team Represents

On the 2nd of February our 2 year 10 head scholars attended the Citizens Members Assembly event. This event was an opportunity to meet with Nadia Whittome, Labor MP, to voice concerns, strengthen relationships and to pressure the government for change. We heard from Citizens members about current issues affecting the Nottingham community, including migration justice and mental health in education. Our scholars shared their experiences of 'racial justice in education' with the group.

Our scholars prepared a speech which was powerful, eloquently delivered and expressed views which were clearly echoed by Ms Whittome. It is no surprise that Zohaib and Sierra did us proud.





DCA Scholars History Tour

During the February half term holidays a group ogf scholars had the exciting opportunity to take part in a Nottingham City History Tour and visit the Stonebrisge City Farm. The scholars had a great day out learning about the history of Nottingham, and stroking and feeding the animals.









Post 16 Trip to the National Justice Museum

On January 24th, 36 students in years 12 and 13 went to the National Justice Museum to explore the law. Their first activity helped them to look at the criminal justice system, and whether prison sentences are an effective way to reduce crime. There were some very interesting debates about whether justice or rehabilitation was more important, and lots was learned about the ways in which different countries approach prison and prisoners.

We then went on a short tour of the museum, where they met a jailer from the 18th century who used our wonderful Oliwia ('chuckles') to demonstrate the inhumane treatment of prisoners in the past. This was followed by a trip into the oldest known 'oubliette', where prisoners would once have been left to die; their scratchings on the wall were a permanent reminder of their experiences. We also visited the womens' section of the pre-Victorian prison, and learned how women were washed and made to work when they were behind bars. After a quick chat with the matron, we went back into the fresh air of the modern day for some excellent cake.

In the afternoon, we participated in a mock trial, looking into the real life example of a young man who was arrested for his involvement in a murder, under 'joint enterprise legislation'. With The Honourable Mrs Justice Aboltina in charge, the excellent legal team quickly got their heads around the circumstances surrounding the situation and came to the same conclusions as the jury did in real life. It was an interesting day, and a pleasure to involve so many in their journey towards careers in law and similar professions.





Enrichment at DCA

Our scholars enjoy a range of enrichment opportunities each day!

Please see below the enrichment clubs on offer to all scholars.

Year 8, 9 and 10

Monday

Club	Place	Year	Staff
Badminton	SH	All	Ms Wood
Geography Intervention	170	Y10	Mr Simpson
Dance Club	GB main hall	All	Ms Bools
Y9-10 Football	Astro	Y9 - 10	Mr Arnold

Tuesday

Club	Place	Year	Staff
Lunch Boys Basketball		All boys	Mr Imran
Creative Computing	018	All	Mr Khan
Netball	SH	Y8 & 9	Ms Bools, Y10 Girls Active Leaders, Mr Imran
English Homework / Revision club	183	All	Ms Atkinson
Maths intervention	191	Y10	Mr Haverkamp
Science Intervention	031	Y10	Mr Wilson
K-Dance Club	Drama studio	All	Ms Ryan-im
Trampolining	SH	All	Mr Arnold

Wednesday

Club	Place	Year	Staff
Girls Football	Astro	All girls	Ms Bools
Boxing	SH	All	Mr Imran
Y10 History intervention	174	Y10	Mr Hubbard
Arts and Crafts Club	022	All	Ms Owen
Art Coursework Club	022	Y10	Art Team
Warhammer	182	All	Mr Ostler, Ms Paudel & Mr Slater
Drama club GB	Theatre	All	Ms Sidhu, Ms Kean, Mr Lee
Culture Club	181	All	Ms Roberts
Photography Intervention	023	Y10	Ms Page
Gardening club		All	Ms Bignell
Maths revision & homework	176	All	Ms Hussain

Thursday

Club	Place	Year	Staff
Lunch Girls Basketball		All girls	Mr Imran
Reading & Poetry club	188	All	Ms Armoo-Kodwo
Netball	SH	Y10 GCSE	Ms Bools, Ms Fewkes, Mr Arnold, Ms Charles
Science Club	013	Y8 & 9	Ms Khalid
K-Pop Club	170		Ms Saini
Spanish Intervention	018	Y10	Mr Purcaru
Y10 DT intervention	027	Y10	Ms Newton & Ms Parker
Maths Intervention	193 & 195	Y10	Mr Broadhurst
Handball	Astro	All	Mr Arnold

Friday

Club	Place	Year	Staff
Running Club 7:25 – 8am	canteen doors	All	Mr Weedon & Ms Ewart
Spanish Intervention *Lunchtime*	018	Y10	Mr Purcaru



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Year 7, 11 and Sixth Form

Monday

Club	Place	Year groups	Staff
D&T Breakfast Club	Canteen	Y11	Ms Fielding
Lunch Basketball	SH	Y7 Boys	Mr Imran
Y11 Drama intervention	Theatre	Y11	Ms Morris & Ms Sidhu
D&T Intervention	005	Y11	Ms Newton & Ms Parker
Y11 Basketball	SH	Y11	Mr Whittingham
Art club/ Warhammer painting	Art room	Y7	Mr Johnson
Science Intervention	Y11 area	Y11	Mr Walsh
English Intervention	Y11 area	Y11	Mr Nicholls

Tuesday

Club	Place	Year groups	Staff
Myths and Legends	S024	All	Ms Braithwaite
Performance/ Composition Intervention		Y11	Mr Potter & Mr Lee
Y11 Art coursework club		Y11	Art team
Library club	Library	Y7	Ms Southern
D&T Intervention	005	Y11	Ms Fielding
PE Intervention		Y11	Ms Fewkes & Mr Whittingham
Practical PE Intervention		Y11	Mr Stewart

Wednesday

Club	Place	Year groups	Staff
Lunch Y7 Girls Basketball	SH	Y7 Girls	Mr Imran
Badminton	SH	All	Ms Bools & Ms Charles
Science Intervention		Y11	Mr Walsh & Mr Wilson
P16 History		P16	Ms Calladine
Drama Club SR	Theatre	All	Ms Morris
PE Intervention		Y11	Ms Fewkes & Mr Whittingham
Geography intervention	134	Y11	Mr Weedon
Maths Intervention	SF3	P16	Mr McQuiggin & Ms Khan
Performance/ Composition Intervention		Y11	Mr Potter & Mr Lee

Thursday

Club	Place	Year groups	Staff
Dungeons & Dragons	Canteen	Y7	Mr Lever & Mr McQuiggin
Y11/P16 Boxing	Studio	Y11 / P16	Mr Irons & Mr Imran
Y11 Sociology intervention	S121	Y11	Mr Wall
Spanish revision	S122	Y11	Ms Cooke
Spanish Conversation Club	S027	Y7	Ms Prance and Ms Caroprese
Study Skills	SF5	P16	Ms Wealleans
Y11 History intervention	SR110		Mr Thorpe
Psychology intervention	134	Y11	Ms Raja
P16 Cooking club	009	P16	Ms Fielding

Friday

Club	Place	Year groups	Staff
D&T Breakfast Club	SR Canteen	Y11	Ms Fielding
Running Club 7:25 – 8am	At GB Outside canteen doors	All	Mr Weedon & Ms Ewart



Enrichment at DCA

DCA Gardening Club and Gardening Project

This is our school garden project.

The Gardening Club has been working on turning the abandoned square of landau GB into a little garden. So far they have grown courgettes and parsley which have been used in school dinners. The head chef now has a key so helps herself to the parsley to make parsley sauce :) .

The scholars have put up bird feeders, made bird food balls to keep the birds fed over winter, have created a path and are planting bulbs tomorrow ready for the Spring.

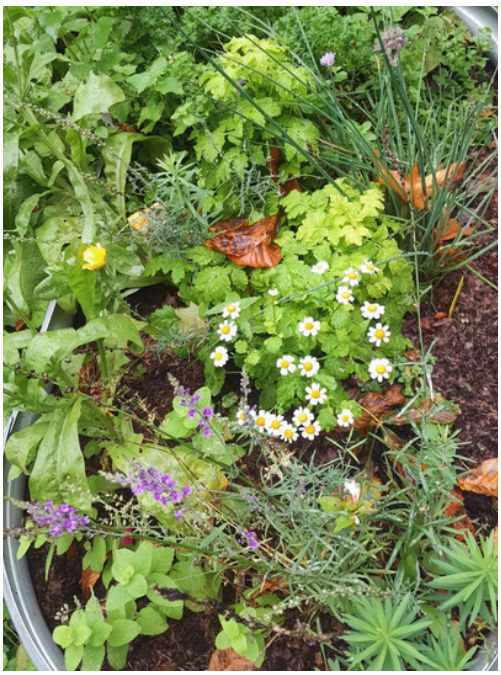
I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw the courgettes after the school holiday! Unfortunately squirrels have eaten the strawberry plants and something big ate one of our courgettes but overall the plants seem happy in our little patch.

Around 20 plants were donated by some very kind people in the Arnold area. One kind lady also donated seeds that will be sewn when it gets warmer.











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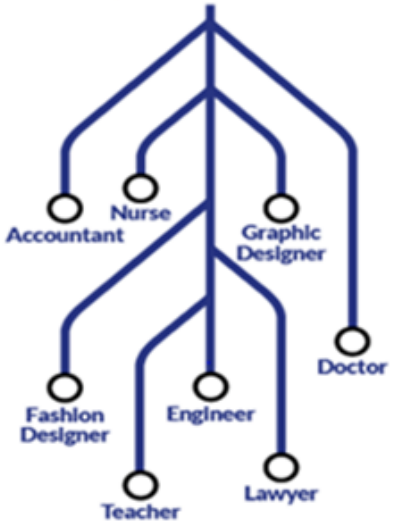

Sixth Form Aspire and Pathway Programmes

It has been very pleasing to see the so many scholars from Year 9 – 11 enrol on the 'Aspire to Sixth Form Programmes'. The number currently stands at over 100 from Years 9 to 11.

The aim of each programme is to support our scholars in making applications to the most competitive universities and apprenticeships in their chosen careers. We are currently running 4 'Aspire to Sixth Form Programmes':

1. Aspire to Law (Year 10 and 11)
2. Aspire to Oxbridge (Oxford and Cambridge University) (Year 9, 10 and 11)
3. Aspire to Medicine (Year 9, 10 and 11)
4. Aspire to Engineering (Year 10 and 11)

Below is an outline plan for the Aspire to Sixth Form Programmes (these may change):

Aspire to Law



STREET LAW

NTU

Year 10

- VISIT: Nottingham Trent University Criminology visit day
- WORKSHOP: Crossing the line – when sport becomes a crime (StreetLaw workshop)
- WORKSHOP: Drafting skills for lawyers: no children in the streets! (StreetLaw workshop)
- VISIT: The University of Nottingham Law Event

Year 11

INVESTIN

The University of Nottingham

- CONFERENCE: Get Into Law
- VISIT: University of Nottingham Law Department
- WORK EXPERIENCE: InvestIN 'Young Lawyer' Programme
- WORKSHOP: Routes into the Legal Profession talk / Q&A with StreetLaw
- WORKSHOP: Criminal justice taster - roles in court and questioning witnesses with StreetLaw

Aspire to Medicine



Year 9

- WORKSHOP: Neurology Session
- WORKSHOP: Medical specialties
- WORKSHOP: The Musculoskeletal system
- WORKSHOP: Health and Wellbeing



Year 10

- CONFERENCE: Get into medicine
- WORK EXPERIENCE: Critical and Intensive Care (6 sessions)



Year 11

- WORK EXPERIENCE: InvestIN 'Young Doctors' Programme
- WORKSHOP: Medical scenarios
- WORKSHOP: Work experience
- WORKSHOP: Academic planning
- WORKSHIOP: Neurology
- WORKSHOP: Surgical skills



Aspire to Engineering

Loughborough University



Year 10

- VISIT: University of Nottingham Engineering Department
- ACTIVITY: 'Design a Campus Pavilion' with Loughborough Universities' HE Unboxed
- ACTIVITY: 'Manufactory Engineering' with Loughborough Universities' HE Unboxed



Year 11

- PROJECT: Engineering UK project
- VISIT: Nottingham Trent University Engineering Department
- WORK EXPERIENCE: InvestIN 'Young Engineers' Programme
- MASTERCLASS: With AECOM
- GROUP MENTORING: With AECOM
- SUMMER SCHOOL: 'Engineering Summer School' at Loughborough University

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Aspire to Oxbridge (Oxford and Cambridge)

Year 9

- Runs from June to July (programme to be confirmed)

Year 10

- PRESENTATION: Student Life at Oxford + Cambridge
- PRESENTATION: and Pathways
- PRESENTATION: Subject Tasters
- PROJECT: Research Project Plan
- PROJECT: Research Support Drop In Sessions
- PROJECT: Project Sharing Seminar



Year 11

- PRESENTATION: Meta-Cognitive Revision Planning
- PRESENTATION: Student Life at Oxford + Cambridge (catch up)
- PRESENTATION: Post-16 Options
- PRESENTATION: Passions and Pathways
- MEETING: Meeting with Oxford University outreach officer
- PRESENTATION: Subject Tasters
- PRESENTATION: Scheduling Revision and Wellbeing
- PRESENTATION: Applications to Oxford + Cambridge

Our wider ‘Sixth Form Pathways Programmes’ for Year 12 and 13 students, continues to develop the quality of students University Degree and Higher or Degree Apprenticeship applications, leading to our current Year 13 students being offered places at Russel Group Universities such as **Cambridge University, The University of Nottingham, the University of Central London (UCL)** and **Edinburgh University** to study courses like **Medicine, Engineering, Law, Maths and Physics** and more.....

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