



Message from the Executive Director



Mr Mark Harrison
Executive Director -
Manchester and Liverpool

What a busy week! School production preparations are building up to full speed (please buy a ticket!), we've had a basketball tournament and our adventurers have departed for their Kath Fry Challenge, which we wish them well with. We have also completed the interview process for the new Head of School position, who will work alongside our new Executive Principal from Easter to lead the academy.

Our new Executive Principal, Razwan Hussain, has been appointed and will be relocating from London to join us after Easter. Mr Hussain brings a wealth of experience to the school, having led both primary and secondary schools as Headteacher.

"It gives me great pleasure to be appointed as the new Executive Principal for Dixons Brooklands Academy. My name is Mr Hussain and I have worked in school leadership for over 10 years, most recently as a Principal of a secondary school in London. I feel honoured and privileged to have the opportunity to lead this school into a new phase. I feel passionately about education and value a wide range of learning experiences for all students; ensuring students develop both socially and academically, regardless of any obstacles in their lives. I plan to hold a number of events over the summer term, including coffee mornings and parents' evenings to meet you informally to discuss how we can build successful partnerships. I look forward to meeting you all in April."

A fantastic appointment, welcome to Manchester Mr Hussain.

Students of the Week



Our winners from last week, Lucy, Anna, Christian, Logan and Ella, met with Mr Harrison during Advisory time on Monday to celebrate this recognition.

Congratulations to our Student of the Week winners for this week, who were nominated by staff for demonstrating the Academy values of Work Hard; Have Integrity; Be Kind. This week's winners will meet with Mr Harrison on Monday to receive their certificates, and their photographs will be included in next week's newsletter.



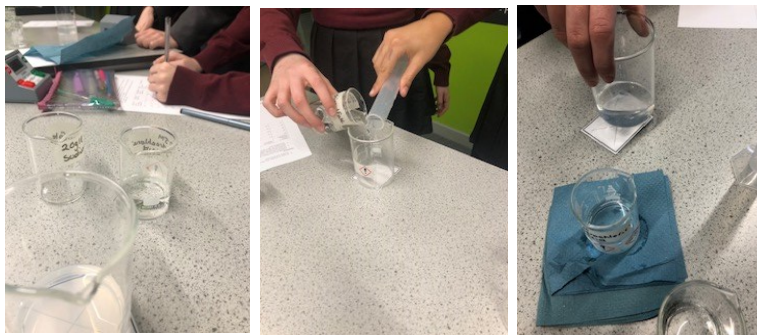
Year 8 Coffee Morning

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our Year 8 Coffee Morning. The Year 8 team enjoyed meeting with you and listening to your feedback.

Our next coffee morning will take place soon, during National Apprenticeship Week. If you would like to attend, please look out for the invitation via the parent app.

Year 8 Science

Our Year 8 students have been learning all about rates of reaction in Chemistry this week. We have investigated how concentration of a solution affects how quickly the cross disappears. Ask your child about it - they should be able to tell you all about it!



PE Media Programme

Following up from the PE Media day held recently at UA92, our group of Year 8 and 9 students visited Button Lane Primary School this week to talk to the children about community safety and helping them understand how to feel safe in their community. On forthcoming visits, our students will be asking the pupils to participate in questionnaires, interviews, and sports sessions to help gain information and solutions for issues raised by these young children.

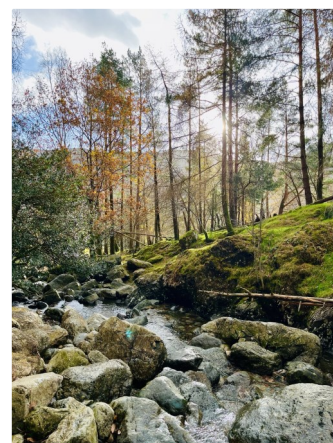
MUFC Street Reds

Street Reds offers free football sessions and alternative activities for young people aged 8-18 in a supportive and positive environment.

To register or for more information, please visit www.mufoundation.org/streetreds

Kath Fry Challenge

The Kath Fry Challenge is an annual inter-schools event, hosted at Ghyll Head Outdoor Education and Activity Centre in the Lake District. A group of Year 10 girls are on their way to Ghyll Head to represent the academy by competing against other schools from the city, in a number of outdoor pursuits challenges. They will return on Sunday 28th January and we look to hearing all about it and sharing their achievements with you.



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

The Dixons Brooklands Academy production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat will be hitting our stage on **Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th February.**

Tickets for the show are now on sale, priced £3.00 each, available from school reception.

The show starts at 7.00pm and refreshments will be available from 6.30pm.

Our students have been working incredibly hard to bring you an amazing show - we hope you can join us for what promises to be a fantastic performance.

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-SHOW STARTS AT 7PM-**

-REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM 6:30PM-

**-TICKETS ON SALE AT MAIN RECEPTION NOW!
-TICKETS - £3 EACH-**

Dates for your Diary: January/February 2024

Friday 26th-Sunday 28th January	Kath Fry Challenge; Ghyll Head
Monday 5th February	Year 8 HPV immunisations
Tuesday 6th February	7.00pm: DBK'S Musical Production of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'
Wednesday 7th February	7.00pm: DBK'S Musical Production of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'
Thursday 8th February	3.20pm: Students finish for half-term break (<i>return Monday 19th February</i>)
Friday 9th February	School Closed to students: Staff Training
Monday 19th February	School reopens for Term 4
Monday 26th February	Year 11 Mock Exams (over a 2-week period)