

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## SCHOOL THAT MATTERS: LEADERSHIP

The theme for this term is Lead, the final section of our mission statement. In assemblies this week pupils have been reminded of the qualities of a good leader and the example of leadership set by Christ and Pope Francis. We have also looked at the state of leadership around the world, particularly in a year when over half of the global population will go to the polls and vote for new governments.

Our nine virtues associate being 'Creative', 'Brave' and a 'Problem Solver' with the qualities of an effective leader. This includes the creativity and imagination required to be empathetic to others, to imagine what it is like to be in another person's situation. When we talk to pupils about the Lead section of our mission we also reinforce that it is not just about those who want to lead, it is about the ability each of us has, to lead the life that we want, for the benefit of others.

Throughout this term we will be recognising pupils for these three virtues, culminating in our Annual Celebration Evening which takes place at Old Trafford Cricket Ground on July 4th. A separate event for year 11 will take place in the autumn term.

As you can see from this week's newsletter the term has started with a busy first week back.

There have been various events and trips, Year 11 have got straight back into learning and preparing for their exams (attendance at Easter school events was excellent) and we welcomed Greater Manchester Police to the Year 7 assembly as part of their routine work with schools and communities.

For pupils who are studying GCSE Art & Design the practical exams started this week and those who are following the Cambridge National Business course completed their 'Dragon's Den' pitches. GCSE PE students participated in moderation events at the start of the week. In other words, this week has been full of learning alongside sporting events and other achievements. For example, you can see photos of the work that pupils from a number of year groups did with dancers from The Lowry theatre.

On May 7th we will make a slight adjustment to our school day timetable to facilitate public exams – Monday's letter incorrectly stated this would begin on April 22nd.

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# CALENDAR

**Year 8 Parents' & Carers' Evening,**  
Thursday, 16th May 2024

**Year 7 Parents' & Carers' Evening,**  
Thursday, 13th June 2024

**Year 11 Prom, Worsley Marriott Hotel**  
Thursday, 27th June 2024

## YEAR GROUP LEADERSHIP



**Year 7**

**Year Manager:** Mr Healey  
(Senior Leader: Mr Jordan)



**Year 8**

**Year Manager:** Mrs Vincent  
(Senior Leader: Mr Jones)



**Year 9**

**Year Manager:** Miss Moore  
(Senior Leader: Mrs Johnston)



**Year 10**

**Head of Year:** Mr. Pemberton  
(Senior Leader: Miss O'Leary)



**Year 11**

(Senior Leader: Mrs Tulloch)

# AROUND OUR SCHOOL THIS WEEK: HIGHLIGHTS

# 1

This term our focus is on our school value 'Lead'. We have thought about the qualities of a good leader. A good leader shows strength, not by dividing people, but bringing people together, working together and making the lives of others better.

# 2

Well done to our students who took part in the Macbeth performance at the Contact theatre in Manchester. The students enjoyed a reward breakfast (picture on page one) with Mr Wadsworth and Mr Davies this week to celebrate their achievements.

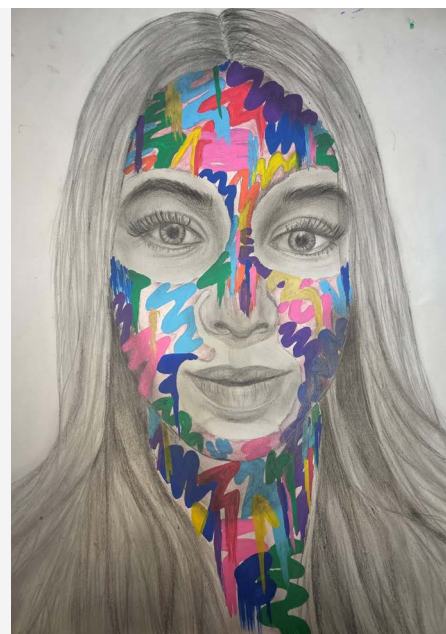
# 3

Well done to all our Year 11 students who completed their PE Moderation day earlier this week. We are so proud of you!



## ART FOCUS

This weeks art focus is a piece by Lila in year 10, a mixed media drawing from a photograph inspired by artist Ant Carver.



## PE FOCUS

The Lowry CAT Dance Workshop took place on Thursday with our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils. The pupils really enjoyed this session and learnt a range of different dance techniques.

