

Dear families,

As we come to the end of another week at DFA – I hope everyone is well and that the New Year has started as well as you hoped. We have had a busy week of events, fixtures and celebration. As always, to enjoy the opportunities available at DFA we need your child to be in school each and every day – moments matter and attendance counts. Please continue to support your child to be in school every single day.

Class of 2026 Option Choices

Thank you to everyone who attended our Options Evening for Year 9. It's an exciting time for students as they make their GCSE choices so please discuss these decisions with your child and encourage them to speak to any teacher in school or our independent Careers Advisors regarding their next steps. Please see the link below to the relevant forms, information and link to complete the choices:

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Awesome Science Experiments

On Thursday our Year 8 students enjoyed an extraordinary spectacle when Dr Frank Mair, distinguished lecturer at the University of Manchester, visited for the first time. In a session called 'pops and bangs' the professor showed students the effects of chemical reactions, including how hydrogen is used to fuel space rockets! Our students were impeccably behaved. Some said afterwards, 'that was the best thing ever, science is really cool'. We couldn't agree more!

Sporting Success

This week saw our year 7 and 8 students represent DFA in two city-wide sporting events. In both the Boccia competition and boys and girls' indoor athletics competition our students competed with real distinction. Their effort and determination to compete to the best of their ability was a very proud moment for our PE department. In the athletics competition, the overall victory may have evaded us, but we did see individual wins in a range of athletic disciplines for both the boys and girls. We also saw how both teamwork and togetherness can work to our advantage. Well done to everyone who competed!

Climbing the Mountain Every Day

The class of 2024 are up and running as they are smashing the start of their revision programme ahead of the March mock exam series. Over 60% of students in Year 11 are now attending after school revision, Saturday and holiday sessions. It's been brilliant to see such commitment from our students and together we are climbing together, climbing higher. Keep it up Year 11!

Working in the Community

As an Academy we work very closely with the LFC Foundation. The Foundation are so impressed with our students that we had the pleasure of being invited to Liverpool Football Ground to take part in activities to support them in finding a new coach. While there they took part in team building activities then were taken for a tour around the stadium. We had a personal email from them as they were so impressed. 'Just wanted to make you aware that your students were an absolute credit to your school. All the staff in the stadium said how polite they were !!' Keep up to date with the latest news by checking the News pages on our website and following Dixons Fazakerley on Twitter @dixonsfa – as always thank you for your support.

Wishing you all a restful weekend and then let's make sure we are all in learning promptly on Monday for a new week of opportunities.

Yours faithfully,
Chris Wilson

