

NEWSLETTER



Important dates for your calendar:

Mon 20 July - Trips Day

Tues 21 July - Finish for Summer (12 noon)

Fri 4 Sept - New Y7 students only return to school

Mon 7 Sept - all students return to school

Dear families,

As we approach the end of another successful academic year, I would like to thank all our students, parents, carers and staff for their continued support. It has been a wonderful term filled with achievement, opportunity and community spirit.

We are incredibly proud of everything our students have accomplished and are delighted to share some of our recent highlights. :

Oliver! - Another Outstanding School Production

Our recent production of Oliver! was a tremendous success and yet another example of the incredible talent within our school community.

From the cast and dancers, to the backstage crew and staff, everyone worked tirelessly to create a truly memorable show. The confidence, dedication and professionalism demonstrated by our students was exceptional, and they should be enormously proud of what they achieved.

Thank you to all parents, carers and community members who attended and supported the production. Once again, our students shone brightly on the stage.



School Music Festival - Thursday 16 July

Our annual School Music Festival, MiddFest, was a fantastic success and a wonderful celebration of the talent, dedication and creativity of our students. Throughout the evening, audiences were treated to an impressive range of live performances, with our student musicians entertaining family, friends and staff with their confidence, enthusiasm and musical skill. We are incredibly proud of every student who took to the stage and contributed to such a memorable event. A sincere thank you goes to our staff for their hard work in supporting rehearsals and organising the festival, and to our parents, carers and families for their continued encouragement and support. Your attendance and enthusiasm helped create a brilliant atmosphere and made the evening a truly special occasion for everyone involved.

Dragon Boat Success

On 3 July, students took part in the Dixons Trust-wide Dragon Boat Race for the very first time.

Competing against experienced teams from across the Trust, our students delivered an outstanding performance and finished 3rd overall.

Not bad for our first ever Dragon Boat event!

Well done to everyone involved. We are already setting our sights on 1st place next year!



Trust Athletics Champions

On 2 July, we attended the Dixons Trust-wide athletics competition held at the Etihad Training Academy. The event atmosphere was incredible, complete with a live samba band creating a carnival feel throughout the day. Despite this being our first appearance at the event, our students were outstanding and finished 1st place across the entire Trust. This remarkable achievement is testament to the hard work, resilience and determination of our young athletes and our fabulous PE team.

Welcoming our New Year 7 Students

On 7 July, we welcomed our incoming Year 6 students and their families for our Induction Day and Parent Evening.

It was wonderful to meet so many enthusiastic young people and supportive families. We are excited to begin the next chapter of their educational journey and look forward to welcoming them officially into the Dixons Middleton family in September.

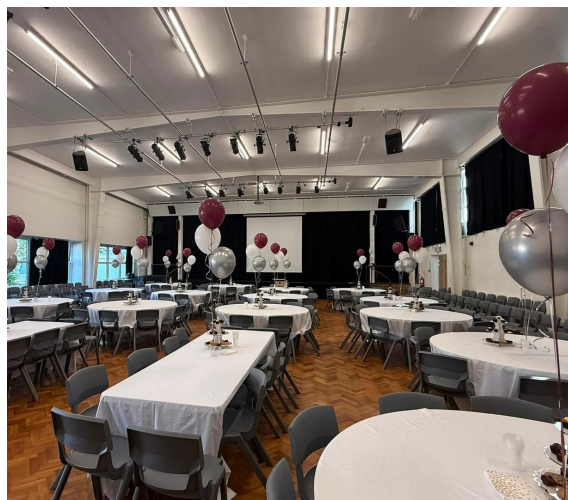


Achievement Celebration Evening

On 13 July, we held our first Achievement Celebration Event for both Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 students and their families. The evening recognised students who have particularly excelled this year in:

- Academic achievement
- Subject excellence
- Attendance
- Reading

These awards reflected not only outstanding attainment but also the habits that underpin long-term success. Reading widely and attending school regularly remain two of the most important factors in supporting excellent outcomes for young people. Congratulations to all of our award winners.



Public Speaking Finalists

Dixons Middleton Academy continues to make its mark across the Trust. We were thrilled to reach the finals of the Trust-wide Public Speaking Competition on 3 July, demonstrating the confidence, eloquence and ambition of our students. It is safe to say that Middleton is certainly letting the Trust know that we have arrived!

LanguageNut Success

Our students' commitment to language learning continues to impress.

We finished this term 3rd in the world on the online platform LanguageNut, an incredible achievement that reflects the hard work and enthusiasm our students bring to their language studies. A huge congratulations to all our language learners.

Community Charity Walk - Friday 17 July

Our annual community walk to Tandle Hill was a wonderful success, bringing together students, staff and families to support a cause that is incredibly important to our school community. We would like to congratulate all of our students for their enthusiasm, resilience and community spirit in helping to raise money for Spoons Neonatal Charity, a charity chosen by our school community that provides vital support to babies and families requiring specialist neonatal care. We are extremely proud of the way our students embraced the event and represented the school so positively. Thank you also to our staff, parents, carers and families for their encouragement and generosity. For anyone who has not yet had the opportunity to contribute, donations can still be made via MCAS, and every donation, no matter the size, will help support this fantastic local charity and the families it serves.



End of Year Trip - Blackpool Pleasure Beach

On Monday 20 July, students attending our reward trip will be heading to Blackpool Pleasure Beach. Year 7 & 8 students attending the trip should arrive at school at 8.20 a.m. and year 9 & 10 arrive at 9.00 a.m. They should bring sunscreen, water and wear appropriate clothing for the weather. We expect to return to school at approximately: Y7 & 8 5:00pm, Y9 & 10 6:00pm. Students who are not attending the trip should arrive at school at 9.30am and remain in school until the normal end of the day. Students will be placed in different teaching groups and will follow an alternative timetable, experiencing lessons from a range of subject areas throughout the day.

Well being

This week during form time we will be signposting where our students can access well being support over summer should they need to. Please encourage them to access the free online platform Kooth and the app we have purchased for our students, Mymindcoach.

Uniform

The free uniform collection for the current Y7-10 will take place in the school hall in the w/c 24th August.

Mon: Current Y7

Tues: Current Y8

Wed: Current Y9

Thurs: Current Y10.

If you are unable to attend the day allocated to your child, Broadbents will be open at their usual time for collection.

Any other items of uniform outside the items we are providing for free can be purchased from any of our uniform suppliers.

New uniform from September:

What will the uniform look like?

All students will wear the same core items (alignment):

- White shirt
- Year-group tie
- Black trousers
- Black socks
- Black shoes
- New school PE kit

Students will also have areas where they can make individual choices (autonomy):

- Choice of jumper or blazer – these must be school branded
- Choice of jumper colour (Burgundy, black or grey)
- Choice of jumper thickness - the school jumpers are available in both thick and thin knit
- Optional branded PE hoodie (Burgundy, black or grey and school branded)