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IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

The Cook Shields

This week our House Leaders, Mr Tiley, Miss Stoakley, Miss Worsley and Mr Royle were presented with the House Shield for their respective Houses, Victoria, Saxon, Oakfield and Albion. The Shields, named the 'Cook Shields' were donated to the Academy by the family of a former student, Taylor Megram. The shields were made in 1970 by Taylor's grandfather, Mr Norman Cook, hence their name, and were originally given to Denton Central Primary School. When this school closed in 2006, they were passed on to Corrie Primary School, also in Denton, where Taylor's Aunt used to teach. In 2017 they moved again, this time to Taylor's home and now, in 2021, we are delighted that they have been donated to the Academy.



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The four trophies were originally named after factories in Tameside and it is fitting that they now represent our four Houses which are, of course, named after four former Mills in Droylsden. The shields are over fifty years old and we are very grateful to Taylor's family for kindly donating them to the Academy. Norman Cook died in 2001 but his family have said that he would be so proud that his children and grandchildren are still making use of these shields today. They will now become part of the Academy's legacy and tradition.

The House emblems which have been added to the shields were originally designed by **Harry Hoban** (Saxon), **Maria Bundache** (Albion), **Molly Nash** (Victoria) and **Ella Kay-Blackwood** and **Taylor-Louise Wilson** (Albion) and then developed by our ICT Lead, Mr Wilkinson, who turned their ideas into the finished designs. Thank you to them for their inspiration and creativity and to Mr Dowd, our Chair of Governors, and the team at Tameside College who have crafted the House Emblems and added them to each of the refurbished shields to create our wonderful House trophies.



UK Maths Challenge

Last April, students from the Year 7 and Year 8 Excel Maths groups sat the prestigious National UKMT (United Kingdom Mathematics Trust) Junior Maths Challenge. These tests have been designed for the top mathematicians in schools across the country and students in the top 5% nationally can achieve Bronze, Silver or Gold status.

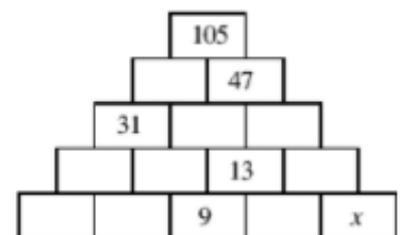


With the results now in, we would like to congratulate everyone who represented the Academy and took part in the Challenge. In particular we would like to congratulate the following students who achieved a Bronze or Silver Award!

Bronze: Jia Kang He, Janee Raue-Lewis, Marshall Fleet, Chau Hoang, Lewis Maddocks, Neha Nasrullah, Quyen Nguyen, Ella Kay-Blackwood, Angelo Moraru, Thomas Cronshaw, Neave O'Connor, Oliver Legg, Kyle Sreenan, Antony Shi and Helen Ho.

Silver: Aadam Shah, Alwiya Mansur, Ilir Caka and Jaaziah Cowan.

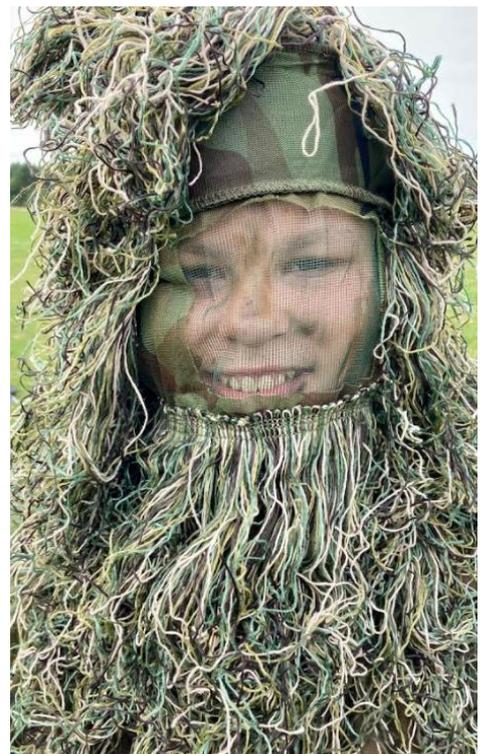
In this partly completed pyramid, each rectangle is to be filled with the sum of the two numbers in the rectangles immediately below it. What number should replace x ?



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CCF Summer Camp

Unfortunately, due to the current restrictions, the annual three day Summer Camp at Altcar was reduced to just one day this year and then, to add further disappointment, Year 8 and 9 students were unable to attend, having been required to self-isolate! The Year 10 students, however, had a really interesting and enjoyable day which ended in our Contingent Commander and SSI being targeted with paint balls, water pistols and water balloons! The photographs below show **Evan Hughes, Bobby Alderson, Callum Parker, Deonne O'Connor** and **Louis Heath** in action on the Assault Course and armed with their paintball guns.



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Amazing Art Work!

These amazing designs depicting onomatopoeic words, inspired by artist Roy Lichtenstein, were created by Mrs Dunnington's 7Y4 Design Class. Your homework for this week Parents and Carers? Find out what an onomatopoeic word is!



Mrs Dunnington also submitted these wonderful lino prints, designed and made by **Ikram Gudeta**, **Daniel Mason** and **Ruby-Jess Taylor** from Year 9, for inclusion in this week's edition of Newsflash.



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Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition

Last weekend, Year 10 students completing the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award took part in their practice expedition at Clayton Vale and Daisy Nook Country Park. The group had the opportunity to put some of the skills they have learnt, including camp craft and orienteering, into practice ahead of their final expedition in September. The final expedition will take place around Greenfield and Dovestones and, depending on the restrictions in place at the time, will include an overnight camp.



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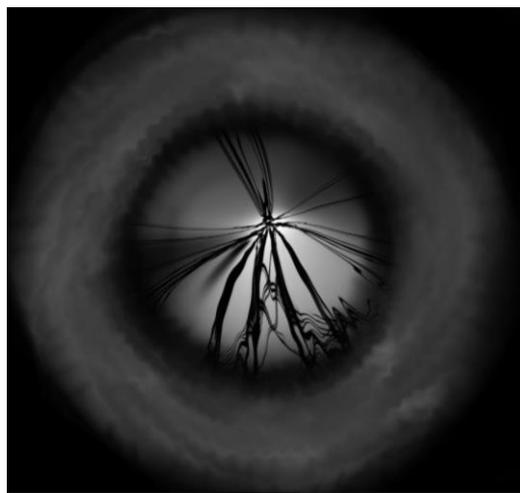
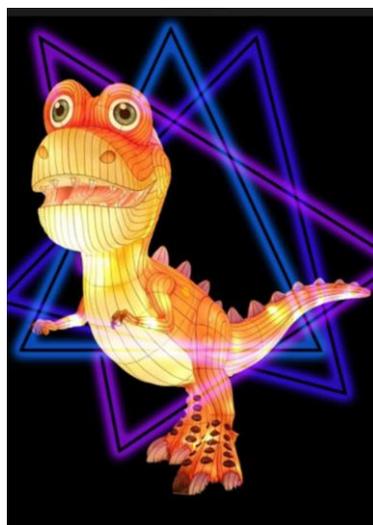
This week saw the launch of the Science & Computing Newsletter which has been written to publicise the developments that are taking place and celebrate the successes of our students.

We look forward to further editions in the future!

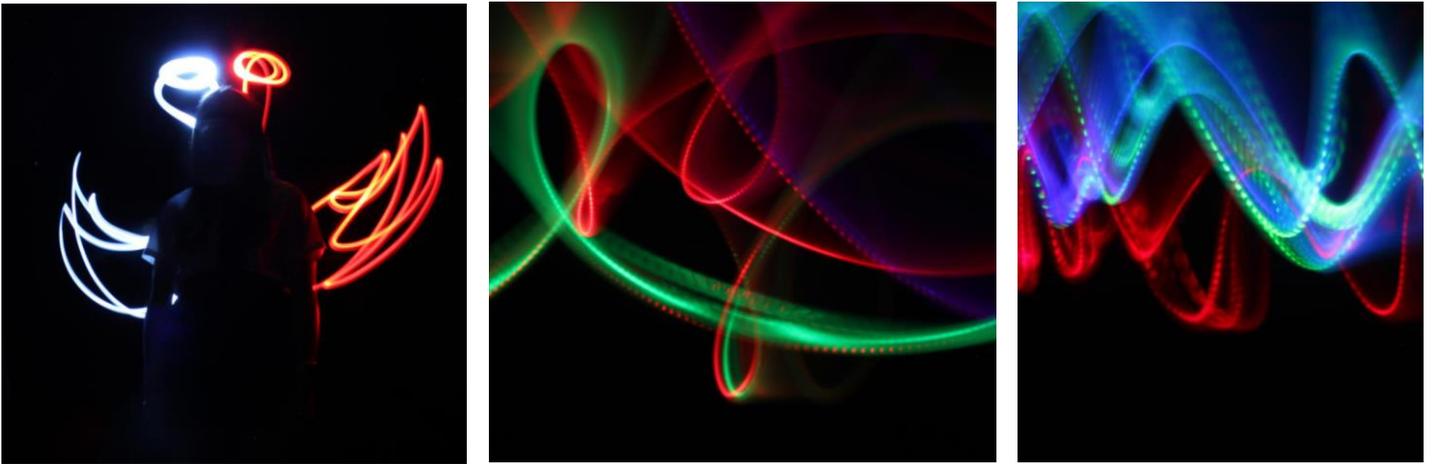
Photography

Our GCSE photographers have submitted lots of work to Newsflash this week and, as usual, there are some really striking and creative photos, edits and images.

Isabelle Whitehead, Deonne O'Connor, Lukas Hall and Robert Hill from Year 10 have all been experimenting with light and dark to create the photo edits below.



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Meanwhile, **Usama Khan** has been working on his poster and book cover edits. We don't think any of these books are bed time reading Usama!



Food and Nutrition

This week, Year 9 finished off the term and the academic year in style with a delicious BBQ! The sun shone (a little), the burgers sizzled and, as always, there were lots of smiling faces!



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The Connect Club

Staff and students may have noticed that the Atrium is looking a little more colourful this week! This is because Ms Fitzpatrick and members of the Connect Club met to decorate the Academy in the colours of the LGBT+ community! Ms Fitzpatrick, Ms Greenhalgh and Ms Hulme are incredibly proud of the club, and how far it has come, and are sure that it will go from strength to strength next year. Stay proud, Connectors!



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to **Chloe Canty** from Year 7 who has been nominated as Student of the Week and to **Diya Mistry** and **Olivia Greenwood** from Year 10 who have been enrolled into the Academy Linguistic Roll of Honour by the Modern Languages Department.

Chloe has been nominated by the Maths Department as she has been working extremely hard and is making great progress. Miss Kennedy, her Maths teacher, commented that Chloe is really growing in confidence and that she is always polite and helpful. She went on to add that Chloe models the Academy values every day and is a great example to her peers. Well done Chloe and keep it up!



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Diya has been nominated by Mr Frost and Olivia by Mr Bambridge. Diya studies French and has been nominated for her fantastic work ethic, her contributions in class and for always striving to be the best that she can. Olivia studies Spanish and has also been nominated in her amazing work ethic which resulted in her achieving an excellent result in her recent E1 Assessment.

REUBEN'S RETREAT

Don't forget!

Droylsden Academy has been set a challenge by Reuben's Retreat (Oakfield's House Charity). The challenge to raise money in support of this wonderful organisation is open to students and staff and would be a fantastic 'Act of Service' you could undertake over the Summer Holiday. If you are interested in taking part you must join the Google Classroom [lzmvjkv](#) to find out more from Miss Worsley.

Miss Worsley has raised £220 so far and has until Monday 19th July to complete her challenge of running, walking or cycling 2.3 miles a day for four weeks.



Year 7 students **Macy McGeever** and **Chau Hoang** have started their own fundraising efforts with all money raised goes straight to Reuben's Retreat.

Here is the link to sponsor Macy's reading, swimming and walking challenge

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pageId=1292472>

Here is the link to sponsor Chau's reading challenge

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=ChauHoang&pageUrl=1>

Miss Worsley would like as many people as possible to be involved in support of such a worthwhile charity so what are you waiting for!

Reuben's Retreat is a charity that supports young people who have a life limiting or life threatening illness, along with their families. The organisation is based in Glossop, but supports young people from across the UK with counselling, support groups, activity and therapy days, short breaks and bereavement breaks. Reuben's Retreat was set up in memory of Reuben Michael Graham who passed away in August 2012, aged just 23 months. Reuben's Retreat is the Oakfield House chosen charity and we would love to help them raise money on their latest fund raising challenge, 'REU23'

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Uniform 'Pop Up Shops' at the Academy during the summer holidays

There will be four opportunities to buy uniform from the Academy Pop Up Shop in the Atrium this summer. The four dates are:

Wednesday 21 st July	Monkhouse
Wednesday 28 th July	Top Marks
Wednesday 11 th August	Top Marks
Wednesday 25 th August	Top Marks

On each of these four days, uniform will be on sale at the Academy from 10.00am until 3.00pm.

Please note, if you are visiting the Monkhouse 'pop-up' shop on Wednesday 21st June, they would prefer you to make an appointment. You can do this through at www.monkhouse.com. You can still turn up without an appointment but you may have to wait until they can see you.

Further information about our two official suppliers, **Monkhouse Top Form** and **Top Marks School Wear** can be found below.

Top Marks School Wear

Top Marks School Wear is based in Ashton and has a retail shop at the Ladysmith Centre.

82 Old Street
Ladysmith Centre
Ashton-under-Lyne
OL6 7JR
Tel: 0161 343 2900

TOPMARKS
SCHOOLWEAR

You can also shop online at:

<https://topmarksschoolwear.co.uk/category/schools/ashton/high-schools/droylsden-academy/>

Monkhouse Top Form

Monkhouse have two uniform shops in Stockport and Oldham.

Stockport Branch
217 Chestergate
Stockport
SK3 0AN
Tel: 0161 476 7210

Oldham Branch
27 Union Street
Oldham
OL1 1XS
Tel: 0161 627 0417

TOPFORM
BY MONKHOUSE

You can also shop online at:

www.monkhouse.com

Monkhouse also offer a **Click and Collect** service where any uniform you order online can be delivered to the Academy for you to collect.

monkhouse
schoolwear specialists

In School Sell Event

Droylsden Academy
Pre Booked Appointments Only

Wednesday
21st July 2021

10am to 3pm

Visit our website
monkhouse.com

BOOK AN APPOINTMENT FOR IN SCHOOL SELL EVENT

Shop early
To help our total capacity for back to school.

Personalised shopping
1:1 personalised service from our trained and experienced staff.

Right sizing first time
Help with sizing as we know this can be difficult.

Avoid the queues
By booking an appointment you will avoid any queues.

One Stop Shop
Get everything you need in one shop including all accessories for back to school.

ORDER ONLINE

Know your sizes
Most existing parents will have a good idea of sizes making their purchase quick and easy.

Returns
Free extended returns to help with web shopping.

Click & collect
Free click & collect to help with web shopping.

How to purchase your uniform

ONLINE
To order online, visit monkhouse.com and click shop by school.

PHONE
Call us on 0161 476 7216 to place your uniform and PE kit order today.

Food Programme (HAF)!

Marcus Rashford MBE and Henry Dimbleby MBE (the co-founder of 'Leon' who leads the National Food Strategy) and the Food Foundation are working together to help promote the Government's new Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme. The aim is to make sure schools and parents are aware of their local schemes and that parents take the opportunity to sign their child or children up to it this summer.



The HAF programme provides free places to all children eligible for benefits-related free school meals. In our area, Active Tameside is putting on activities to ensure that children can enjoy healthy food, take part in lots of great activities and hang out with their friends as well as making new ones.

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For further information about our local HAF programme, please take a look at the youtube clip below:

<https://youtu.be/KDgmKpXAXE>



The Urban Soccer School

A promotional poster for 'Urban Soccer Academy Soccer School'. The background is dark blue with a green border. A soccer player in a green jersey and white shorts is shown in a dynamic pose, kicking a soccer ball. The text 'URBAN SOCCER ACADEMY' is at the top in a stylized green font. Below it, 'Soccer School' is written in large white letters, followed by 'Saturdays 11am - 12 noon'. Two columns of text describe the program: 'For Girls and Boys of all abilities from age 5 year upwards. Only £3 per session' and 'Develop and learn new skills and make new friends in a fun, safe inclusive atmosphere ran by FA / UEFA Accredited coaches'. The venue is listed as 'Hewlett Johnson Playing fields, Edge Ln, Droylsden, Manchester M43 6JN'. At the bottom, there is a 'FOR ALL CHARTER STANDARD Respect' logo, contact information 'Matt@urbansoccer.co.uk' and 'www.urbansoccer.co.uk', and the Urban Soccer Academy logo featuring a bee.

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Arrangements for the end of term

The Academy will close for all students at 12.00 noon on Monday 19th July 2021.

The new school year will start for students in Year 7 and Year 11 on Monday 6th September. Students in Year 7 should arrive in school by 8.30am. Students in Year 11 should arrive at school no earlier than 10.50am for an 11.00am start.

Students in Years 8, 9 and 10 will start the year on Tuesday 7th September and they should be in school by 8.30am.

We hope that everyone has a enjoyable holiday.

JOB VACANCY AT THE ACADEMY

Design and Technology Technician

Pay Scale: Grade D, Point 7 – 10, starting at Point 7 (Actual Salary at Point 7 is £16,908)
Contract: Permanent, Term Time Only
Hours: 36 per week
Closing Date: 26th July 2021 at 12noon
Start Date: 1st September 2021

We are excited to recruit a proactive, friendly and organised Design and Technology Technician to join our team at Droylsden Academy. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with tools and wants to help teenagers learn a trade.

As our Design and Technology Technician, you will organise the use and maintenance of tools and materials within the Design and Technology area.

You will also provide assistance to students and the Technology team during practicals.

Interested applicants should complete a Droylsden Academy Application Form and Equal Opportunities Application Form available on the school website at

<http://www.droylsdenacademy.com/work-at-droylsden-academy/3527.html>

Completed applications should be returned by email to:

hr@droylsdenacademy.com

or by post to Human Resources, Droylsden Academy, Manor Road, Droylsden, M43 6QD.

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