

# TDA UPDATE

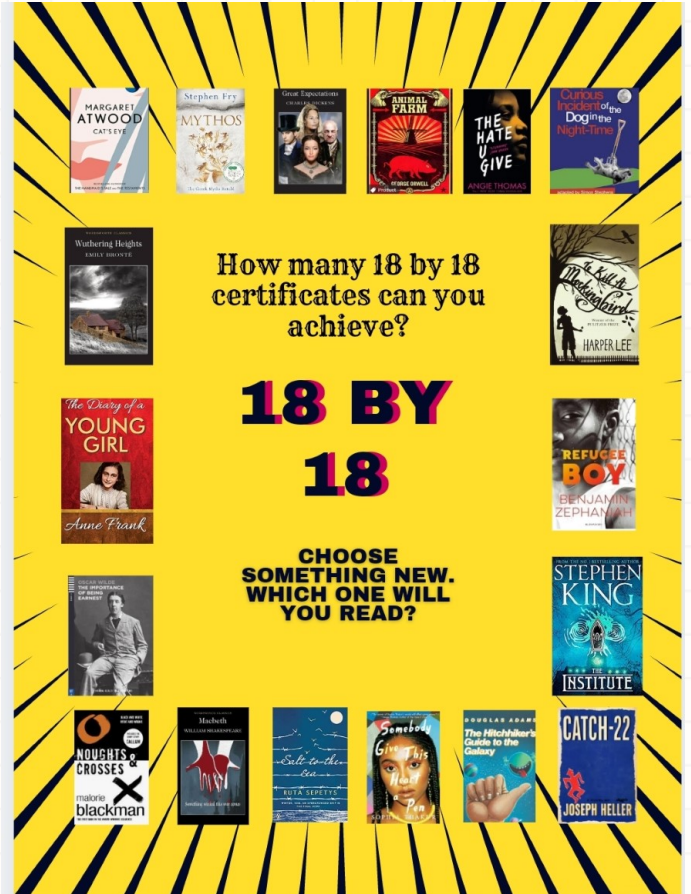
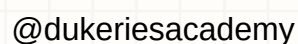
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# MR BRETT SECONDMENT AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ATT INSTITUTE

I am delighted to announce that Mr Mike Brett will complete a 9 month secondment as the Deputy Director of the ATT Institute. The ATT Institute co-ordinates and delivers all People Development activity for around 2000 colleagues across the 21 ATT Academies. This promotion recognises the excellent work that Mr Brett has undertaken at The Dukeries in recent years. This work has ensured that students at TDA have access to the very best, highly trained expert staff to guide them through their studies. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating Mr Brett.



## DROP EVERYTHING AND LISTEN (DEAL)

D.E.A.L. Stands for Drop Everything And Listen and is a project to ensure that students experience extracts from a wide range of literary sources on a daily basis to help inspire further reading, develop fluency through auditory modelling and highlight our efforts as a staff body to boost and promote reading throughout our school. Over the next few weeks D.E.A.L will focus on our 18 by Eighteen books - the 18 books we think every student should read before they leave TDA. All books are available in our library.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday 27 May**

Sixth Form Leavers' BBQ

**Monday 31 May 2021**

Half term holiday

## ATTENDANCE

Year 8 are leading the attendance stakes, including a remarkable 100% attendance on Tuesday. The Academy Attendance Challenge continues until 28 May. Currently, over 400 students still have 100% attendance and are in the draw for the prizes.

Year 7:	94.63
Year 8:	98.11
Year 9:	92.97
Year 10:	92.52
Year 11:	94.48
Overall:	94.69

## WELL BEING



**BOXERCISE**  
With Chloe

Level 2 Fitness Instructor  
Level 3 Personal Trainer  
Boxercise Instructor  
Boxercise Advance Skills Instructor  
Boxercise for Kids Instructor  
Fully Insured

**Ollerton & Boughton Boxing Academy**

A non-contact boxing project aimed towards young people - developing physical and mental wellbeing, increasing motivation and building confidence

Sign up to our FREE 10-week introductory programme!

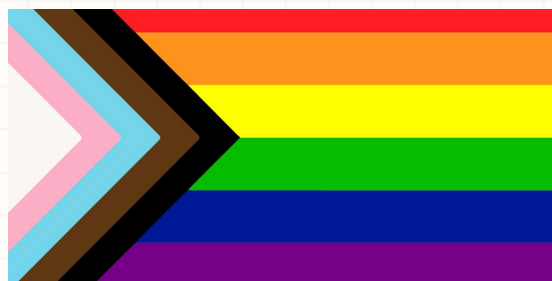
Boughton Village Hall  
1 x 45min session per week  
Mon, Tues & Weds  
4:15-5pm & 5:15-6pm  
Starting 17th May

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Regular exercise is a fantastic way for students to maintain good physical and mental health. This free Boxercise class is a great opportunity to keep fit and meet new people. Places are still available. For more information or to book a sought after place email [office@dukeries.atrust.org.uk](mailto:office@dukeries.atrust.org.uk)

## DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

The Dukeries first DEI meeting took place on 13 May. This was led by Michelle Hackett who fed back to the group the work completed by the trust DEI group run superbly well by Kyle Stewart. We have developed a group in Microsoft Teams to share reading material and allow us to discuss ideas between meetings. We discussed a shared vision and what we wanted to achieve through the group. We also evaluated where we thought the Academy was on the "Ally Continuum". We currently have 7 staff members. We have now recruited 1 parent member and have advertised an opportunity for 2 Sixth Form students to join the group. The discussion was excellent which demonstrated different views but a shared belief and drive to really embed diversity, equity and inclusion throughout the Academy. The next meeting is 23 June at 5pm, if you would like to join us please get in touch, we are happy for you to attend in person or virtually.



## YOUNG CARERS

We are delighted to have achieved our Carer Friendly Quality Mark. This recognises TDA's commitment to identifying and supporting Young Carers and our partnership work with organisations to give support and guidance.



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# DRAMA



Year 12 drama students had a wonderful day at Non Such Drama Studios in Nottingham taking part in an All About Drama School event. They took part in workshops delivered by top drama schools such as Central School of Speech and Drama and LAMDA and spoke to former students.

Year 13 drama students have completed their final performance at TDA. Inspired by drama practitioners Frantic Assembly and the play The Lovely Bones, their final performances were beautifully choreographed, powerful and emotional. We are so proud of how hard they have worked over the last 2 years.



Congratulations to our talented Year 7 and Year 8 mathematicians who achieved Bronze, Silver, and Gold certificates following a great performance in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge last month!

Well done to Isaac in Year 8, who has been invited to the UKMT Junior Mathematical Olympiad following an outstanding performance on the first stage of the UK Junior Maths Challenge last month.

Out of approximately 275000 participants each year, only 1200 are selected for this elite-level mathematics competition: this means that Isaac falls within the top 0.4% of students in his age group in the whole of the UK!

We wish him the best of luck at the next stage of the competition.



## REMINDERS

**Curriculum 2021:** Our consultation on the proposed changes to the Academy day from September continues to be open until 7 June 2021. Please contribute your views via email to [office@dukeries.atrust.org.uk](mailto:office@dukeries.atrust.org.uk).

**Class Charts:** The Class Charts app allows you to monitor your child's rewards, behaviour, detentions, attendance and homework in real time. If you have not signed up for the app please contact our office team who will be pleased to help.

**COVID:** Please ensure that your child continues to test themselves, using Lateral Flow Tests, twice a week. Please inform us, as soon as possible, if your child tests positive to ensure we can identify any close contacts.