



ATTENDANCE NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2025

TDA "Special Guests" and Rewards!!

Autumn term was full of recognition, rewards and... special guests! TDA students were left guessing who the Secret Squirrel and Atten-deer were in the lead up to the holidays, with both of our now famous mascots on hand to help give out some amazing prizes including sweet treats, £100 Christmas shopping vouchers and brand new Smart TVs! Thanks to Mr Taylor and Mr Smith for being such good sports!

Year Groups

1st	Y7
2nd	Y9
3rd	Y10
4th	Y8
5th	Y11

Tutor Groups

1st	7.1JS
2nd	8.1NOM
3rd	10.5AO
4th	11.4CR
5th	8.3RTM

Useful Links

Check out the web links for helpful resources and articles on physical wellbeing and mental health for teenagers:

Young Minds

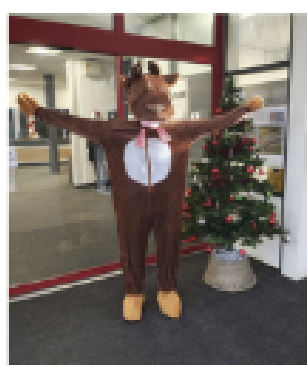
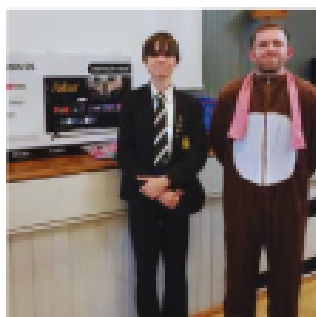
[YoungMinds | Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People |](#)

NHS

[Mental health for children, teenagers and young adults - NHS](#)

TDA Attendance web page

[Attendance - The Dukeries Academy](#)



Help Us Understand

An important parent voice survey has been sent out to families. Please check your My Child At School app notifications and email inboxes in case we have sent you the link. Feedback is a gift, with the responses being valuable in helping us understand key barriers to school attendance, and inform changes to our strategy.

Year 11 in Focus

Attendance is so important, especially in your exam year. A reminder for Year 11 of the Accelerate and mock exam programmes, ensuring you are in school every day to see the benefit. Don't forget that Prom invites are earned through great attendance too!

Breakfast Club & Disco!

TDA operates a completely free Breakfast Club for all students every morning. Guarantee being on time for school, and enjoy a healthy breakfast snack any time from 8am in the cafeteria. Feedback suggests some early morning tunes would be nice, so keep your eyes and ears out for a Breakfast Disco coming soon!

Enrich Tuesdays

Our amazing Enrich programme continued during the Autumn Term every Tuesday period 1, with students guaranteed one of their choices in every cycle. Ask your child about their Enrich option, with choices ranging from **Introduction to First Aid, Chess, Volunteering, Sports Leaders & World Sports, Japanese, Young Enterprise and many more!**

A new options process is conducted every term, with students accessing three unique activities to learn new skills, work with students across Key Stage 3, and develop personal character.