



Welcome message from the Principal

I hope everyone is safe, well and looking forward to the summer break. Students at Dixons Croxteth have now completed the end of year assessments and staff are working diligently to mark papers. These assessments will feed the planning for next year and all teachers will have intervention documents to support student attainment and progress.

I invited all prospective parliamentary candidates from our constituency Liverpool Walton into Dixons Croxteth during their election campaign. Only the Labour candidate Dan Carden responded. Dan visited us and toured the building, met with students and observed break and line up. Dan was very supportive of what he saw and wants to work more closely with our community.

Our Local Academy Board (Governors) Chair, James Barron, visited on Friday. As chairperson of the Academy Board James holds me to account. He challenges me on all areas of the academy. James wanted to know my aims for next year and how we are developing the enrichment offer for students. This is something I am looking forward to sharing with you all in the new academic year.

Also, on Friday we invited all new staff who will be starting with us next year at Dixons Croxteth for an onboarding event. We have successfully recruited in key areas. I will be sharing more information about our new staff with you in the next newsletter.

Over the last two weeks we have had students continue with Geography field work, analysing urban regeneration in the city centre; we hosted a chess tournament, we invited Chase Johnston-Lynch, a famous podcaster, to the academy to work with year 10, and held year 6 transition day, which was a great success.

I would like to thank the parents that I have shown around the building over the last two weeks for their support and feedback. We will be arranging more of these visits before the end of the year so please complete the form in this newsletter to arrange a tour.

Finally, you will have seen that we have launched a student spotlight initiative. Every two weeks, we will shine a spotlight on exceptional students who embody our core values and demonstrate outstanding performance in their lessons. Selected by their Head of Year for their exemplary behaviour and dedication, and recognized by our teachers for their exceptional achievements, these students truly exemplify what it means to excel at Dixons Croxteth.



Mr Duggan
Principal

Join us in celebrating our incredible students who continue to make us proud every day.

Year 7 students create copper sulphate crystals in science class

Under the expert guidance of Mr Owens, Year 7 students engaged in a practical lesson where they successfully created salt crystals through a neutralization reaction in our new state of the art Science Labs.

Students used their scientific skills to react sulfuric acid with copper oxide, resulting in the formation of copper sulphate crystals

Science practicals have been lacking on the curriculum at Dixons Croxteth, however we are now in a position to have all students taking part in this active part of learning.



Transition Day at Dixons Croxteth: A warm welcome for our new Year 7 pupils

On Thursday 3rd July, we were thrilled to welcome our new Year 7 students to Dixons Croxteth for a special Transition Day.

The day began at 8:50 AM and was filled with exciting activities. Our new students enjoyed a school tour, took part in engaging lessons, and experienced break and lunch just like they will when they start in September.



Vice Principal Anish Morgan did an exceptional job organising this significant day. Transitioning from primary to secondary school is a major step, and we aimed to ensure our new pupils felt both comfortable and excited about their journey ahead. Parents were warmly welcomed with a small, yet thoughtful gift, carefully prepared to make this day even more special for them.

With a Planned Admission Number (PAN) of 120, we are delighted that more than 80 families have chosen Dixons Croxteth as their first or second choice. This demonstrates the trust they have in us to provide a great education, and we are committed to living up to their expectations.

Transition Day was a wonderful opportunity to show our new students and their families that they've made the right choice. We can't wait to see them grow and thrive at Dixons Croxteth!



Exciting Chess tournament at Dixons Croxteth Academy

We recently hosted an exciting chess tournament at the academy, organised by our passionate maths teacher, Matthew Brannan, in collaboration with Rob Steele, Merseyside Coordinator for CSC (Chess in Schools and Communities).

The event drew 43 students who competed in a knockout-style competition using professional tournament boards. Participants demonstrated impressive strategic skills, encouraged by Rob Steele's engaging presentations.

The excitement reached its peak in the final stages, as chess clocks added intensity to the matches while students competed to win within a 5-minute time limit.



Y9 students triumph in Liverpool Schools Football Association trials for under 15's

Liverpool Schools Football Association has selected two talented Year 9 students from Dixons Croxteth Academy, after an exciting two-day trial with players from schools across the city at Walton Soccer Centre, on 18th and 19th June 2024.

This achievement is a fantastic honour and accomplishment, especially given the high standards of the trials for under 15's. We eagerly anticipate their journey and success in the upcoming 2024-2025 season!

Congratulations, Divine O. and Kahill M. Dixons Croxteth is very proud of you both.



Eid al-Adha Celebration at Dixons Croxteth

Dixons Croxteth celebrated Eid al-Adha with festive decorations in the canteen and a special menu featuring delicious traditional Middle Eastern dishes such as Chicken Shawarma, Tabbouleh Salad, Falafel, and Semolina Pudding for dessert. It was a simple yet meaningful way to honour this important Islamic holiday.

Students enthusiastically participated in decorating the canteen, showcasing their excitement and engagement. ***"I didn't know we were celebrating Eid at school. Thank you!"*** — Year 9 student

Feedback from participants reflected the success of the event:

"The food was delicious." — Dixons Croxteth Staff

"I loved the Chicken Shawarma and Semolina Pudding." — Year 8 student

"We celebrate Eid at home, and now here at school too!" — Year 7 student

This successful celebration was made possible by the dedication of our kitchen staff, the culinary expertise of Chef Daniel, and the support of the Main Office team.



Prospective Parliamentary Candidate Dan Carden Visits Dixons Croxteth

Dan Carden, the Labour Party's parliamentary candidate for Liverpool Walton, visited Dixons Croxteth Academy where he engaged with students and staff. The visit was well received by students who expressed their excitement with the prospect of meeting someone who will voice their concerns in Parliament and change their community for the better.

Dan toured the academy, met with students and completed a question-and-answer session with the student council.

The question-and-answer session provided a platform for students to voice their concerns and aspirations for the country. Questions ranged from, how education would be supported with a Labour party in power, why Dan does not wish to be Prime Minister one day, and why the North South divide in the opinion of students is widening.

Dan was very complimentary of the school and now that he has been elected would like to work more closely with the Academy.



Unwanted Uniform

Uniform is important at Dixons Croxteth as it promotes equality and fairness, everyone wears the same attire and is treated the same. Our uniform fosters a sense of belonging as we are all part of the same community at Dixons Croxteth.

This Year, a significant amount of money has been spent replenishing our 'spare' school uniform. We have given students ties in the morning to ensure that they have a successful day and do not receive corrections. I have been happy to provide students with plain black shoes in exchange for their trainers. However, we have not received all these items back and this is creating issues. Students must take responsibility for their uniform.

Thank you to Year 11 families who have donated their academy ties that are no longer needed and other families who have given blazers and shirts that their child has outgrown. These will be redistributed to families that need them.

If anyone has any spare uniform or blazers that are no-longer needed, we would really appreciate if they can be handed in to reception.

Friday Visits

I want to have an open-door policy for parents and families to come into the Academy and see how we operate. I have changed my diary so that Friday morning I can now dedicate to meeting with parents, showing them the academy, observing lessons and taking feedback.

I am happy to take on any feedback and discuss any concerns during this time. I am limiting the tours to 3x families per visit and it will be on a first come first serve basis.

If this is something that you are interested in please complete the following Microsoft Form and I will arrange a date for this visit.

[Booking Form](#)

YEAR 7

Favour A.


"Favour A - She is such a helpful student who always acts with integrity. Favour spoke with a Year 6 pupil about school life and made her feel much calmer about coming to Dixons Croxteth. Favour has also been a huge help with our new starters this week."

- Mr Ian Green

YEAR 8

Jack D.

"Jack is an excellent example of a student who lives out our values daily. He works hard at everything he does, displays integrity even when no one is watching, and he is kind and fair to all. Jack is a pleasure to teach and have in the year group"

- Mrs Claire Watson

YEAR 9

Jamie R.


"Jamie epitomises our value of fairness with all students and staff. He is polite, considerate and kind at all times and is a real credit to Dixons Croxteth - Well done Jamie!"

- Mr Robert Owens

YEAR 10

John B.

"Always in school, always on time and always doing the right thing. He is polite and considerate. He gets on with things quietly and efficiently."

- Mrs Toni Redmond



17/06/2024 to 28/06/2024

The students below have been selected for their outstanding performance during lessons!

ENGLISH



YEAR 7	Christy B.
YEAR 8	Jack D.
YEAR 9	Monzer H.
YEAR 10	Karl S.

Favour A.

YEAR 7

Tuna T.

YEAR 8

Sam H.

YEAR 9

John B.

YEAR 10

MATHS



SCIENCE



YEAR 7	Maja C.
YEAR 8	Callum T.
YEAR 9	Callum L.
YEAR 10	Harry W.

Rhys T.

YEAR 7

Stephen A.

YEAR 8

LJ T.

YEAR 9

Mark G.

YEAR 10

GEOGRAPHY



HISTORY



YEAR 7	Varsika S.
YEAR 8	Cruz W.
YEAR 9	Samuel H.
YEAR 10	Lewis M.

Grace W.

YEAR 7

Ethan C.

YEAR 8

Divine O.

YEAR 9

Moshood A. I.

YEAR 10

ART



FOOD TECH



YEAR 7	Kaison Y.
YEAR 8	Kevin I.
YEAR 9	Jamie R.
YEAR 10	Kacper K.

Joseph M.

YEAR 7

Jiro B.

YEAR 8

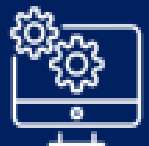
Jayden J.

YEAR 9

Harry W.

YEAR 10

IT



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



YEAR 7	Renee K.
YEAR 8	Kevin I.
YEAR 9	Jamie R.
YEAR 10	Shay F.

Elizabeth K.

YEAR 7

Zher J.

YEAR 8

Connor M.

YEAR 9

Joseph F.

YEAR 10

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Safeguarding Team

If you are worried or have a concern please speak to one of the members of staff below or [email: dcr_safeguarding@dixonscr.com](mailto:dcr_safeguarding@dixonscr.com)



Mr I Duggan
Principal



Mr M Little
Assistant Principal
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr I Makin
Vice Principal
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Ms J Varkulis
Vice Principal
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss R Bowers
Safeguarding officer



Miss L Cox
Safeguarding officer



Ms T Redmond
Safeguarding officer



Mr R Owen
Safeguarding Officer



Mrs C Watson
Safeguarding Officer