

WEEKLY PARENT BULLETIN NO 4

Week Commencing 28th September 2026

WEEK A	
Monday 28 th September	8.45 – 9.15 a.m. Year 11 Assembly (Gloscol)
Tuesday 29 th September	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website) 4.00 – 6.00 p.m. Year 7 Tutor Evening
Wednesday 30 th September	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website) 1.10 p.m. Year 9 Chelsea's Choice Year 11 Maths Challenge at Abbeyfield School
Thursday 1 st October	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website)
Friday 2 nd October	

Dear TDA families

What an incredibly busy week it has been here at TDA. We have had many visitors into the school as part of our Open Morning Tours and it has been wonderful to share the great work that happens on a "regular" day here at TDA. All have commented on how calm and positive the school feels, which is testament to the excellent teaching and learning that is taking place in our classrooms. And this all culminated in our Open Evening which took place on Thursday which was a fabulous showcase of all that TDA has to offer as a community. It was wonderful to welcome more families to our Open Evening than ever before – our staff and students were certainly kept busy throughout the evening! I would like to say a huge heartfelt thank you to all of our young people who gave up their evening to support their school community, either within a faculty or as a tour guide; I was overwhelmed with comments about how smart, friendly, knowledgeable and happy all the students were – they really did embody our core values and showed the very best of what it is like to be a student at TDA. And thank you also to our wonderful staff who went above and beyond to share the work that takes place in lessons every day and planned engaging activities. It is on occasions like this that it really does bring home how wonderful our school community is and I could not be more proud to be Headteacher and work alongside everyone.

This week we also had all of our Year 10 students who are studying GCSE Geography head out to Wenford to conduct their fieldwork. Feedback from Mrs Price is that all students conducted themselves brilliantly and have collected some excellent data. Well done all!

Next week our Open Mornings continue. On Tuesday we have our Year 7 Tutor Evening – this is for pre-booked appointments and for those parents/carers who wish to meet with their child's tutor to check in with how their child has been progressing. Thursday is a particularly busy day with some Year 11 students participating in our first Athelstan Trust event of the year – good luck Year 11 mathematicians! We also have the Chelsea's Choice production for Year 9 – this is an age-appropriate.



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production on the importance of healthy relationships, delivered as part of our Personal Development programme.

Many thanks to those parents/carers who have taken the time to complete our Autumn term survey and also sign the home school agreement. I have extended the deadlines for both slightly up until next Friday – please can I ask if you have not done so already that you spend a few minutes completing these.

Autumn survey: [Parent/Carer Survey - Autumn 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Home school agreement: <https://thedeanaacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/HOME-SCHOOL-AGREEMENT-2026.pdf> and [Home School Agreement 2026-27 – Fill in form](#)

I hope that all of our young people have enjoyed the long weekend with the inset day and wishing everyone in our community a lovely weekend and best wishes for the week ahead.

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Congratulations to the following weekly winners of our attendance raffle week ending 18th September 2026:

KS3 – Lola M – Year 9
KS4 – Cameron L – Year 10

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 5 th October	9.15 a.m. Year 11 Assembly (Forest Sports)
Tuesday 6 th October	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website)
Wednesday 7 th October	Year 7 & 11 Photographs
Thursday 8 th October	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website)
Friday 9 th October	Open Morning Tours (bookable through the website)
Friday 9 th October	Hello Yellow Day – World Mental Health Day
Monday 12 th October	Year 11 Future Skills Questionnaires



Tuesday 13 th October	4.00 – 5.00 p.m. Careers Parents' Evening Year 11
Wednesday 14 th October	KS2 Primary Event
Thursday 15 th October	Deep Learning Morning Year 8 & 9
Friday 16 th October	Wear Red Day – Anti Racism
Monday 19 th October	Year 11 Assembly (Dene Magna) Year 11 Geography Field Trip
Tuesday 20 th October	Year 11 Geography Field Trip
Wednesday 21 st October	End of Term 1 at 3.15 p.m.

Enrichment Programme– Afterschool – Week A



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Homework Club All Years Y3/Y1	Homework Club All Years Y3/Y1	Homework Club All Years Y3/Y1	Homework Club All Years Y3/Y1
Crochet Club All Years P4 Miss Holt	Rugby All Years (Girls and Boys) Field Gloucester Rugby	TCG Club All years E13 Mr Hughes	
School Band All Years D2 Music	DofE Bronze Year 9 C5 and Y3	Dance Club All Years Studio Mrs Adams	
	DofE Silver Year 10 S2 Mr Kelley	Science Arts and Crafts 7, 8, 9 & 10 S5 Miss Wheatstone	
	School Musical Band All Years D2 Music	Rock Bands All Years D2 Music	
	Ecoschools KS3 S6 Mr Webb and Mrs Price	Netball Club All Years Sports Hall/ Courts Miss Wilton	



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	Crochet Club Year 8 and 11 P4 Miss Holt	Crochet Club Year 7, 9 & 10 P4 Miss Holt		Disney Movie Club Year 7 G6 Miss Bater
	Minecraft/Gaming All Years Y3 Mrs Joubert			

Enrichment Programme – Afterschool – Week B



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