



UNSWORTH ACADEMY



Friday 28th February 2025

Dear parents/carers,

We would like to start by wishing a Ramadan Kareem to all those families that have just embarked on the holy month of Ramadan. Wishing you a peaceful and blessed time.

As all stakeholders of Unsworth Academy know, the vision of the organisation is to drive character development as much as academic development. Our Personal Development Programme here is extremely strong and three events this week demonstrate this, all in distinct ways. Firstly, well done to our Year 7 and 8 band, A Thousand Ashes who competed last night in the Bury Battle of the Bands at The Met. Photos and clips of their performance can be seen on our X page. Secondly, well done to those Year 8 learners who are continuing our collaboration with Oxford and Cambridge Universities through the current Think Like A Linguist programme. I have had reports of some very intellectual profound thinking from our contributors. Thirdly, I must mention the brilliant JD Up event that the whole of Year 10 attended yesterday at Manchester Central, the old GMEX. The event was a window into the world of work, covering every aspect of employment at the JD group. Students, also, had a Q&A with Youtubers, TikTokers and start-up entrepreneurs. Thanks to all involved and, particularly, our super partners JD.

Staying on the topic of work experience, we are including in this week's briefing a plea for assistance. The majority of Year 10 have their April Work Experience placements finalised. We are, however, still seeking further placements. If you are able to assist by offering a week of work experience, we would be most appreciative. Our learners go to a huge variety of different workplaces during their Year 10 week. If you feel you could assist, please drop us an email at information@unsworth.set.org and we will explore it with you.

To finish I'm delighted to report a very well-observed Year 11 Mock Series 2. Teachers are busy marking and will have grades and feedback as soon as possible. This will form the basis of our final push in March, April and May. Also, Wednesday next week marks the start of lent. We have had assemblies about this in school and many students and teachers are joining in the focus on renewal and growth. A variety of things are being given up over the 40 days and good luck to all involved.

Thank you everyone, have a lovely weekend,

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