



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



Did You Know?

Exams have started this week and all students involved have started the journey with maturity and focus. It is a difficult time for some, so their co-operation and understanding always help ensure everyone feels supportive. Time-keeping is always important and Miss Bavington (YR 11 PYC) has been pleased with how prompt students have been.

Continued good luck for a 'kind' paper and thank you to all of the energies from students, their teachers, those involved in exams and of course parents, who can see how much energy and resource are required.

A lovely article on the Flame of Friendship from Zaynab, one of the Accept and Respect ambassadors. It is again an exciting time for sports and it is lovely that we were involved.

Our career provision is excellent and there is an article on page 7 from Mr Ahbedin explaining how much the students enjoyed an opportunity he arranged through the Smallpeice Trust.



Ms Odams has a 'shout out' article for 8R, who have worked hard to gain extra positive behaviour points—well done to them.

Please remember, that whilst students can wear smart, plain black school shorts in the warmer weather, cycling shorts are not school uniform, unless worn under a skirt. Smart school shorts are acceptable for all.

We are Lyng Hall - Respect



Contribute and participate. Motivate others.

There are lots of ways that pupils can contribute and participate at Lyng Hall School. This could include sharing ideas in a lesson, being a part of after-school activities, getting involved in school committees and so much more!

Contributing in and around school can even include the most simplest of ways such as; dressing smartly to create the best impression of ourselves and our school, offering help to new pupils and teachers and displaying an act of kindness to make someone's day.

I am always grateful to the pupils that hold a door open for me when I am carrying a tray of heavy books, pupils that offer to help me carry resources from one classroom to another, those that help to tidy a classroom at the end of a lesson - even when they may not have created the mess.

Motivate each other - We are all on the same team.

Positively encourage others when they might not believe in themselves

Cheer each other on and celebrate their successes with them



Contribute towards an environment where everyone feels safe to 'have a go' without feeling judgement from others

Offer help to someone in a lesson if they are struggling

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It has been lovely to hear from some members of staff whom would like to give a special shout-out to pupils whom have made some kind and helpful contributions.

- **Luke Wiggins:** “Every single lesson he helps to clean the class at the end without being asked. He will always be the first to volunteer to help whenever needed”. - Ms Hallworth
- **Samrah Kabango, Kasey Langley and Pegasus pupil:** “Consistently spend part of their lunchtimes giving out books and equipment, ready for the next lesson, all voluntarily. They are super polite young ladies and always help others without question”. - Ms McPhilimey
- **Julia Witrykus and Amelie Munro:** “Always the first to offer help with setting up and packing away equipment in a PE lesson”. - Ms Gaggini
- **Gift Odor, Amanda Nizamutdinova, Macy-Ellen Mitchell, Aaliyha Pettit, Victoria Gnilka, Vanessa Ghuman, Lacey O’Meara:** “Always offer to help me carry books to different classrooms around the school”. - Miss Gaggini
- **Elliott Fox and Oskar Sroka:** “For becoming the school’s photographers and always managing to take images at school events without any involvement from me”. - Mr Sanford-Casey
- **Daria Teodora-Nedelcu:** “Always checks to see if I need help before school. It is very kind and very appreciated”. - Mr Lodge

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- **Ryan Cleaver:** “Always friendly, helpful and lifts the spirits of others”. - Mrs Coletta
- **Lily-Rose Eggleton:** “Always enthusiastic in lesson and around school. Generally a ray of sunshine”. - Mrs Coletta
- **10M students:** “For working with year 7 pupils to guide them through a reading comprehension to encourage perseverance and a positive mental attitude. It was really lovely to watch you all work together and I was proud of you all”. - Miss Hagan
- **Zaynab Ismail, Aia Mohammed, Amy Clayton, Lania Saleh and Nicole Grochowska-Salwiczek:** “For ensuring all of my equipment is safely tidied away as I don’t have a classroom. Also, for being members of accept and respect, where you have all made a difference; for example, with the winter hampers and the Olympic torch”. - Mrs Smith
- **Dylan Maddox :** “For helping me to tidy my classroom every lunch time”. - Mrs Burton
- **Elektra Erdmane-Hermane:** “For creating beautiful posters for each college, which are now on display”. - Miss Kowalska
- **Tawhidullah Sultanzai:** “For always being the first to help me with handing out books and tidying up at the end of lessons”. - Miss Kowalska
- **Dimitri Sealey-Squire and Griffin pupil:** “For helping me to tidy the bookshelf in W13”. - Miss Kowalska

We are Lyng Hall - Flame of Friendship

The Arrival of the Torch

As part of the build-up to the Paris Olympics 2024, we received the Flame Of Friendship Baton from St John Fisher Primary School. It was a very successful welcoming with all the year 10 pupils lined up welcoming them with flags and utter joy.

As part of the celebration, we had a past pupil, current UK Athlete, Jordan Broome.

He politely joined us to welcome the Baton's Arrival. He gave a beautiful talk about his experience within athletics towards the children for a special meet and greet afterwards.

Passing the Torch on to Stoke Heath

A group of Year 7 students were charged with delivering the Flame of Friendship Baton to our local primary school neighbours, Stoke Heath Primary. After receiving the baton, they were excited for its journey and handing it over for the relay to continue. When we arrived at Stoke Heath, we couldn't believe what we were being treated too. The whole school were out to welcome us, they lined their playground, each class representing a different country who take part in the Olympics, they had the local radio there, party poppers, cannons and were really proud to be receiving the Baton from Lyng Hall.

The pupils entered the guard of honour, did a lap up and down the playground and then were welcomed into the school by the Headteacher. Our pupils were then taken on guided tours around the school, viewing all the different activities taking place, and even given chance to speak in front of the reception class about what the flame was and why it was important to be friends with others. Freddie Shannon did a great job speaking in front of a young group and represented the Flame perfectly.

Once all the processions were over, it was time to officially hand the baton over to Stoke Heath so that its journey could continue.

Written by Zaynab Ismail 10R



Griffin College – Update

Students in Griffin College this week have continued to be their amazing selves and maintained the lead, although the gap between us and Pegasus is getting to be too close for comfort!

I have been working with students in 8R and 7Y with the aim to improve attendance, punctuality and general behaviour around the school. Students have been really positive about this, and have responded well to the challenge they have been set. 8R have been brilliant this week, and therefore we completed a Maths lesson all about real life Maths using recipes!

The students said it was a great time, and the best part of this was watching me prepare all of the fruit for them! Students worked amazingly well, and created some great work. 8R are going to continue on their positive path and ensure that Griffin remain leaders until the end of the College Championship...



I am going to end my update with a quote. **“You achieve every single day, please remember to always be proud of you”** - Michael Sheen.

No matter how much you can contribute, stay positive and work hard

Ms Odams



We are Lyng Hall - STEM Day



We had a STEM engineering day this week from the Smallpeice Trust. Over 60 pupils from year 8 explored the different ways engineers make a positive impact on the world around us. Through a series of challenges, students were able to experience different types of engineering.

Working in teams in the roles of civil and energy engineers, students were challenged to consider which elements are needed for a sustainable society. Using the

engineering life cycle, they designed and built a prototype rainwater capture system. Finally, working with software and materials engineers, they were challenged to design a piece of wearable tech which met the needs of their society.



Comments from some of the students:

"The day was inspiring."

"I was proud of my design for the rain water collecting system. I also learnt how different engineering is - it's not just one type. I could also improve by being a bit more outspoken"

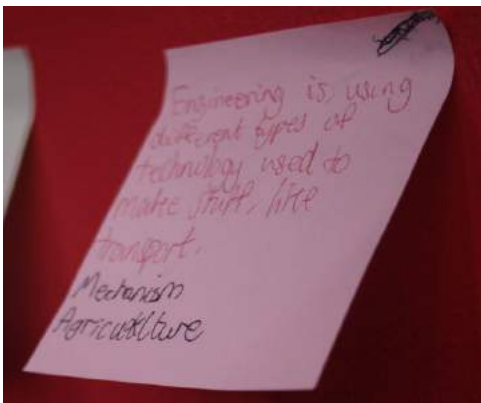
"After this I want to go into engineering! I'd like to work for JLR one day!"



Comments from some of the teachers involved:

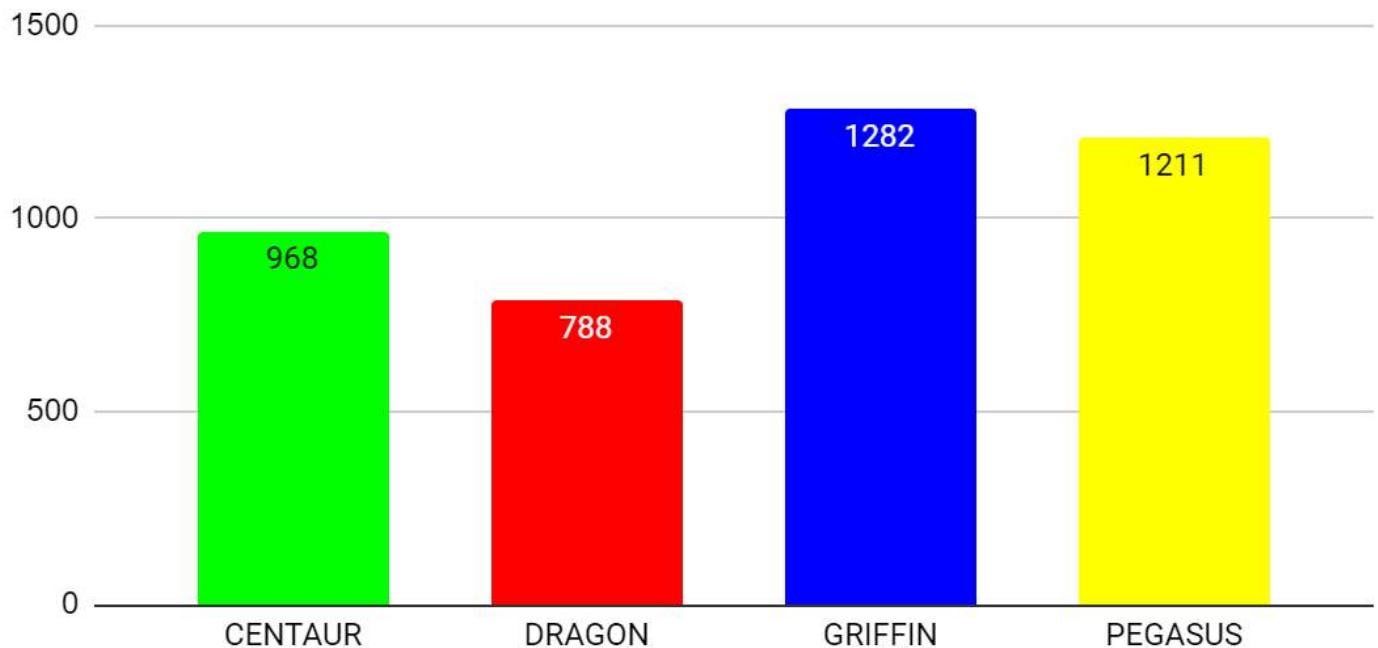
"I thought the activities were excellent and presented expertly. The challenges really made the pupils find solutions to the challenges as a group which they responded to with enthusiasm. The children have been very positive and really enjoyed the day" **Mr VDT**

"It was a great day for the kids and really shone a light on the link between the science curriculum and the engineering world" **Mr G**



College – Update

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



Here are the grand totals this week. No change in positions but the competition between Pegasus and Griffin is visibly clear!

Throughout this year, pupils have been working hard to earn themselves postcard nominations from their teachers. Postcards are awarded when pupils show one of the four college values: Empathy, Determination, Responsibility and Resilience. These postcards are delivered home, to let parents and carers know about their child's achievements within school. Here are the current total postcard nominations awarded to pupils in each college.

POSTCARD TOTALS	
CENTAUR	258
DRAGON	258
GRIFFIN	349
PEGASUS	332



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TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Dmitrijs Kasko	8G	1183	Melissa Osmane	9Y	1538	Kyra Thompson	9O	1563	Jessica Ellis	9R	1675
Edmund Tawiah	8G	1163	Dragon	9Y	1536	Isabella Glenn	10M	1375	Wiktoria Zamosna	9R	1651
Wiktor Kaldonek	8O	1148	Nadia Sikora	7O	1508	Crystal Dawson-Parry	9O	1313	Daria-Teodora Nedelcu	9R	1529
Ellie-Mae Farrell	8G	1140	Maisie Jenkinson	7O	1478	Daniela Mmadu Macuacua	9O	1305	Daniel Eribalo	9R	1425
Centaur	8G	1128	Harleen Thandi	7O	1459	Hava Imam	10M	1286	Oliver Whiting	9R	1403
Centaur	8G	1106	Shanae Coleman	9Y	1457	Elektra Erdmane-Hermans	7Y	1261	Kristy Ebihon	7R	1398
Efe Cetinel	TEFL	1097	Bella Taylor	7O	1446	Riley Thompson	10M	1233	Amelie Munro	9R	1385
Emily Hagan	8O	1083	Charlie Seaman	7O	1417	Griffin	8R	1221	Julia Witrykus	9R	1331
Kezia Odure	7G	1081	Deborah Eribalo	9Y	1403	Ola Marecka	9O	1207	Adil Khan	9R	1329
Centaur	8O	1079	Kimberley Frimpong	9Y	1399	Lona Nembo Wakam	8R	1200	Harkiran Kaur	9R	1324

As always, a huge well done to our Top 10 pupils in each college. We always like to celebrate pupil achievements and recognise that there are lots of pupils whom work hard each day and also have a large number of positive points to reflect this but, do not quite fit into the 'Top 10'. As we cannot display the total conduct points of each individual pupil, we would like draw attention to the fact that we have so many amazing pupils at Lyng Hall School. Not only this, but the support we receive from parents is also very much appreciated and contributes towards the wonderful community within the school.

DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO BEHAVIOUR POINTS

9M



7M



8R



9I



11M



Did You Know? Support:

Your child may be eligible for free school meals if you receive certain benefits such as income support. Queries can be directed to Coventry City Council. Tel: 024768337733 or Email: freeschoolmeals@coventry.gov.uk Applications can be made through: www.coventry.gov.uk/applyforfreeschoolmeals

SCHOOL

To purchase food in the school dining room, money must be paid onto ParentPay as we are a cashless school. Login through: <https://app.parentpay.com/public/client/security/v2/#/login>

If you experience any problems with this, please contact your child's pastoral year coordinator.

LYNG HALL SCHOOL

TRAVEL

If you live more than 2 miles from the school, your child may be eligible for a free bus pass. For information on how a student would qualify for a pass please visit:

<http://www.coventry.gov.uk/schoolbuspasses>.

Applications: www.coventry.gov.uk/applyforatravelpass

Queries: Tel: 02476975445 or Email:

If your child out-grows their blazer but it is still in very good condition, they may be able to swap their blazer for a bigger size, if our stock allows.

UNIFORM

We accept uniform donations. Please drop any items that you no longer need or require in to school reception.

If you are struggling with the cost of items of the uniform, we will do our best to try and help you. Contact your child's pastoral year coordinator in the first instance

We Are Lyng Hall - uniform donations

We have been informed by our pupils that they sometimes out-grow their uniform during the year and therefore buy new items. We would like to take the opportunity to ask that any uniform that you may be replacing, or not using, is kindly donated to the school.

The uniform does not have to be in brand new condition but be relatively good quality (not ripped or stained) and can include PE kit, winter coats, shoes etc.

Pupils and/or parents can hand the uniform donations into the school reception at any point in time throughout the year. We greatly appreciate all donations that have been made previously and any that we receive in the future.

Thank you,
Miss Gaggini

Studybugs

Like many schools, we use Studybugs for recording pupil attendance. Parents just need to register to use the app.

It is a really simple and quick method of informing the school when your child is absent.

There is a link on our school website (<https://www.lynghallschool.co.uk>) or you can download the app to your phone (<https://studybugs.com>) and register to use.

School Calendar

GCSE Exams continue...

Tuesday 14 May - Year 8 Parents' Evening