



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



Did You Know?

Students continue to inform the different ways that we work in the school. In this edition, students have completed another environment walk and have shared what they like to see and what they would like to see next time.

The college challenge this week is what does accept and respect mean individually, with a range of tasks to focus this. There's a thoughtful reflection from Pegasus about how students in this college have responded to the activity.

You will see that we continue to have a really big push on reading. One area where you can help is 'reading for pleasure'. Every Friday, students spend time reading during tutor time. Students can read fiction or non-fiction and the school has purchased a number of exciting and current books to encourage this. Can you ask to see what your child is reading? Can you talk about it before Friday?

We also have different reading activities at the start of English lessons and students have access to Myon—the online library. We appreciate any encouragement you can give. Reading has so many benefits for well-being, resilience and to just help imagination and sometimes escape. What are you reading today?

We are Lyng Hall - Accept and Respect



Students from the Student Council are asked on a half termly basis to access and share their thoughts about the environment. This review focused on west block and paid special attention to reading and the environment to support. Thank you to the team for sharing. It is important for you to see how we as teachers work hard to make sure we get the atmosphere and environment right.

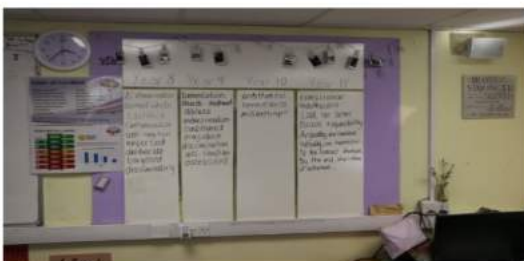
Colour Schemes/Classroom Environment



We've said before that we like to see personal touches from a teacher. Several of the west block classrooms have a decorating theme running through them. The pastel colours being used are really soothing.



Subject Displays



The quality of displays around the school has really improved over the time we have done these walks.



Far more classrooms now have useful word walls and command word displays.

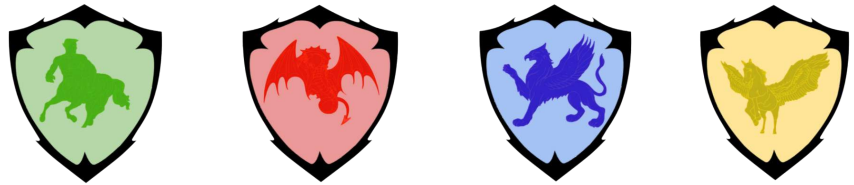


We are Lyng Hall - Accept and Respect Activity

In tutor time, Ms Odams has taken on the challenge to get everyone thinking about what Accept and Respect means to them.

Each year group has a challenge. The best in each year group will win 1000 points for their college.

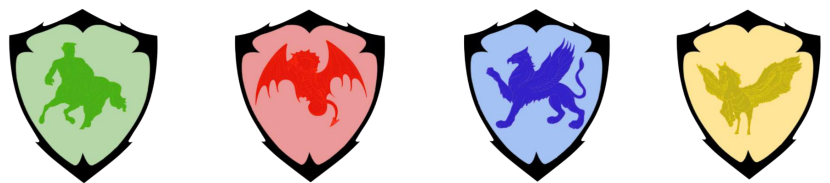
Year 7 Activity



You are going to be making bunting that will be hung around the corridor in West Block outside. Each person will be given a triangle of paper, and you can either write a small sentence about ACCEPT and RESPECT, or draw a symbol that represents these values.



Year 10 Activity



You are going to be making origami doves or origami hearts (it is up to you in tutor to vote for the one you want to make), click the image of the selection you make to get a step by step guide.

These are both symbols for peace, and will be on display around the corridor in West Block between W4 and W6.



Pegasus – Update

All across Pegasus tutor groups, I am seeing some really encouraging signs of Resilience. We have been in second place for a while now, but rather than giving up, I can see tutors working hard to show pupils that we can challenge, that we don't give up, and can work through any hardship and adversity we might have.

This week, tutors have been working on an accept and respect project set by Mrs Smith. Walking around and listening to pupils speak about words that they feel are important is incredible. The maturity they are showing is a real blessing and an honour to have these types of pupils in the Pegasus College.



In 9I, we were talking about words that we think are important in school, and came up with two fantastic ones; Reflective and Observing. Kaci Bayliss and Keeley Shelton were really reflective when we were conversing, understanding how they are naturally reflective but didn't even know they were and we spoke about how we need to reflect in a school about situations we may find ourselves in. For Pegasus, we need to reflect on what we have been doing, which is keeping us in second place, and what we need to do to get us into first place with such a short amount of time of the championship remaining.

**PERSISTENCE AND RESILIENCE
ONLY COME FROM HAVING BEEN
GIVEN THE CHANCE TO WORK
THROUGH DIFFICULT PROBLEMS.**

– GEVER TULLEY

In Pegasus, we need to use these last weeks of the championship to echo how we work as a college. We've got a chance to work together and come from behind to take 1st place!

Lets do this together, Mr Loach-Smith



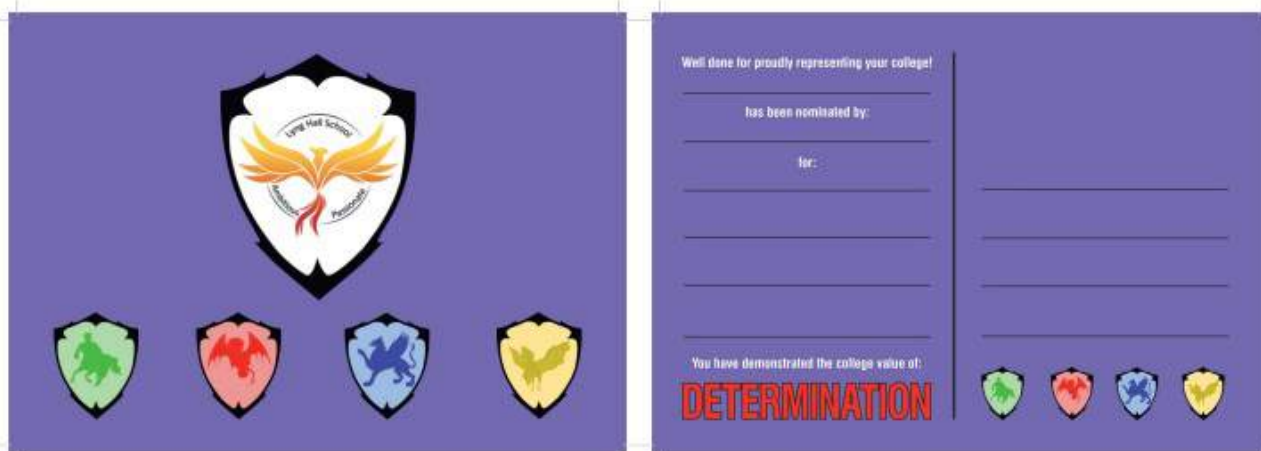
College – Update

The point totals in each college are not going to be revealed this week...

With only one more week to go, before half-term, we want all colleges to earn as many points as they possibly can. Are we more competitive when we focus on our actions, rather than our position in the league?

College Value Postcards

The four college values are: **empathy**, **determination**, **responsibility** and **resilience**.
Every time you exhibit one of these values staff can nominate you for a postcard.



The postcards are posted home to share your success.
Each postcard is also worth 100 college points.
If you achieve 4 nominations for a value, you will receive a dot badge for that value.

What Badges Can I Earn? Achievement Point Badges



Bronze:
1000 points



Silver:
1500 points



Gold:
2000 points

Value Badges



Green:
4 empathy
postcard



Red:
4 determination
postcard



Blue:
4 responsibility
postcard



Yellow:
4 resilience
postcard



Purple:
achieve all four
of the coloured



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.

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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

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

School Calendar

GCSE exams continue...

Tuesday 14 May - Parents' Evening for Year 8