



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



Did You Know?

There is much to read through and think about in this week's newsletter. However, we have saved the front page for the students who have been elected to our Student Leadership Council.

We are so proud of all of our students and these represent the students' voice.

Congratulations to all.



We are Lyng Hall - Refugee Week



Taken from the Refugee Website - click on the link below to read more.

"To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished." - Malala Yousafzai

The theme for Refugee Week 2024 is "Our Home". From the places we gather to share meals to our collective home, planet earth: everyone is invited to celebrate what our Our Home means to them.

Home can be a place of refuge, a feeling or a state of mind. It can be found in smells, tastes and sounds. From the clothes we wear to the words we grew up with. It's in food, music and arts. It's in our cultures and in our landscapes.

Home can be more than one place and finding it can be a journey, as it is for so many of us who have to leave our countries and rebuild our lives. Sometimes we can find home in a single person. Other times it's in a whole community. And often, it's in a single gesture of care and welcome.

What would happen if this Refugee Week we extended our warmth and hospitality beyond our own homes and made entire neighbourhoods more welcoming? Simple acts like having a chat, walking together, or sending a message of welcome can help everyone feel like they belong. Together, we can work in solidarity to ensure all our neighbours, new and familiar, have safe and welcoming homes.

Our home is also global. We are interconnected; we share the earth's resources, climate and its challenges. As we speak, millions of people are being displaced from their homes because of the climate crisis. But, exchanging knowledge, both new and traditional, can help us in practical ways to build hope for the future.

This Refugee Week, let's practice our solidarity and make Our Home a more welcoming, safe and sustainable place for all.

Refugee Week 2024 is 17–23 June. Website link: [Refugee Week 24- Event Organiser Pack \(canva.com\)](#)

#RefugeeWeek #SimpleActs

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[Simple Acts – Refugee Week](#)

2 Simple Acts

Simple Acts are easy, everyday actions we can all do to stand in solidarity with refugees and make new connections in our communities.

Whether you build your own event or activity around a Simple Act or simply take part during the week itself, you'll be part of a movement of people everywhere taking small steps to create a big change.



It would be lovely if everyone could take the time to look at and reflect the simple acts idea.

The link is at the top of the page. I invite children, parents and teachers to email in to csmith@lynghallschool.co.uk if they are thought about this week, read through what is here, discussed about the importance of home, or taken on board one of the activities.

We look forward to hearing if and how you have got involved.

We are Lyng Hall - Competition Time

UK Junior Kangaroo Competition.

On April 25th, twenty eight pupils from year 8 joined 280,000 other students around the country to take part in the UK Junior Maths Challenge. Joshua Gilbertson and Kevin Yu scored fantastically and qualified to take part in the Junior Kangaroo follow - on round on June 11th. They both worked really hard on the papers, a couple of questions are below for you to try! We are very much looking forward to receiving their results.

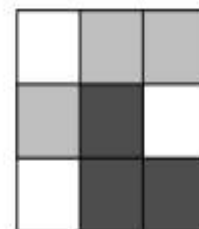
Mrs Glancy

My umbrella has the word KANGAROO written on top, as shown in the diagram. Which of the following does *not* represent a view of my umbrella?



Priya painted each of the nine squares shown black, white or grey. What is the smallest number of squares that she would need to repaint so that no two squares with a common side are painted in the same colour?

- A 2 B 3 C 4 D 5 E 6



We are Lyng Hall - Introducing the Student Leadership Council

Thirteen year 12 students have now been appointed as student leaders within our post-16 provision. This Student Leadership Council (SLC) will work alongside the existing student council to represent the school at events, lead fundraising activities and act as a student voice conduit for the school.

Of the thirteen students that applied, five were nominated by staff to stand for election for the role of Student President. Staff and students then voted electronically to democratically elect this role. The vote was very close, and all five nominees have been allocated key roles within the council. With the school already being divided into 4 colleges, members of the SLC have been allocated to roles within those colleges, except for the president and vice presidents, who remain independent:

Ibrahim Kalu – Student President (centre)

Lavanya Mittal – Student Vice President and Wellbeing Lead (far left)

Ryan Cleaver – Student Vice President and Wellbeing Lead (far right)

Leah Hopkins – Student Leader – Centaur College

George Field – Student Leader – Dragon College

Matthew Ellis – Student Leader – Griffin College

Deborah Alake – Student Leader – Pegasus College

Adam Sheikh – Deputy Student Leader – Centaur College

Sara Duna – Deputy Student Leader – Dragon College

Jessica Doe – Deputy Student Leader – Dragon College

Harry Haughian – Deputy Student Leader – Griffin College

Tyler Siadatan-Smith – Deputy Student Leader - Griffin College

Firdaus Ayeni – Deputy Student Leader – Pegasus College

Appointing the students at this point in the year has given us a good opportunity to establish their goals for next year as they move into year 13. The three key aims for next year are:

Charitable fundraising – the existing student council (open to anyone in school) has raised thousands of pounds for good causes in recent years and the new student leaders are keen to develop this further, as well as their own leadership skills.

International expedition – students wish to broaden their horizons and take action in the wider world. We are currently in discussion with Operation Wallacea, a charitable organisation that provides opportunities for young people to work alongside scientists in the field to undertake research and conservation activities. We hope to go to the Krka national park in Croatia in July 2025.

Develop the study culture within P16 – the student leaders know that independent study between lessons is a vital element for success in P16 study. They intend to work with all students in P16 to help develop the ways in which independent learning takes place and ensure that student voice is considered when plans are made.

I am very excited to have such a motivated group of student leaders to work with and I know they will have a significant impact on the school, which will begin as they are introduced to the rest of the school in the next college assemblies.



Griffin – Update

Well done to Griffin students this week!

After falling behind last week, and losing our lead for the first time this year, we have rebounded to take the lead by a massive amount! Great work to everyone involved.

As always, brilliant work by 7M in getting no negative points this week and, doubling their score, great job.

Thank you to all Griffin staff for their nominations in postcards, this has made a world of difference.

I am very keen now to maintain this lead through the Championship Days and win that reward trip to Red Kangaroo (I have never been myself so really want to win the trip!)

At the moment, I am seeing far too many blue ties out and about during tutor time, I really want us to work hard this week on reducing these numbers please!!

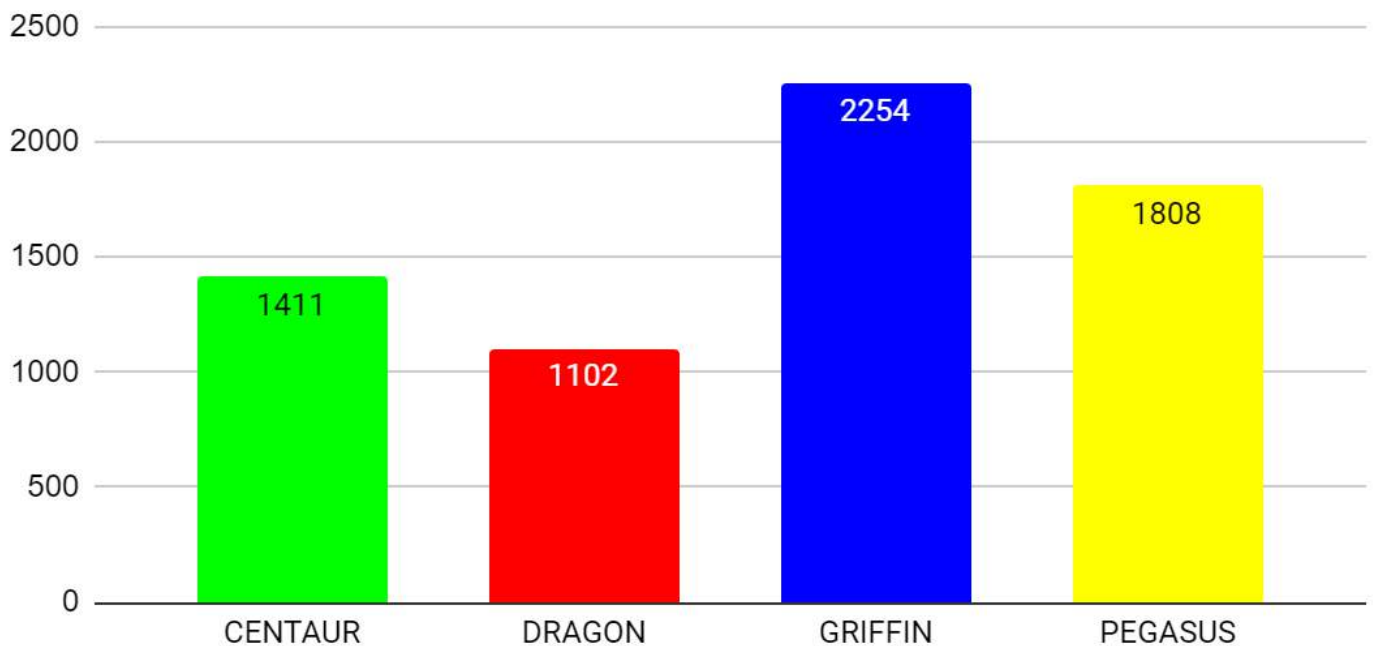
Great work again Griffin, well done!

Miss Odams



College – Update

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



GRIFFIN ARE BACK!

The fight between Pegasus and Griffin continues. An influx of postcards and points has put Griffin back into first place but, we all know that Pegasus do not back down easily. The competition between the two colleges will be interesting to watch over the next few weeks, especially with championship days just around the corner.

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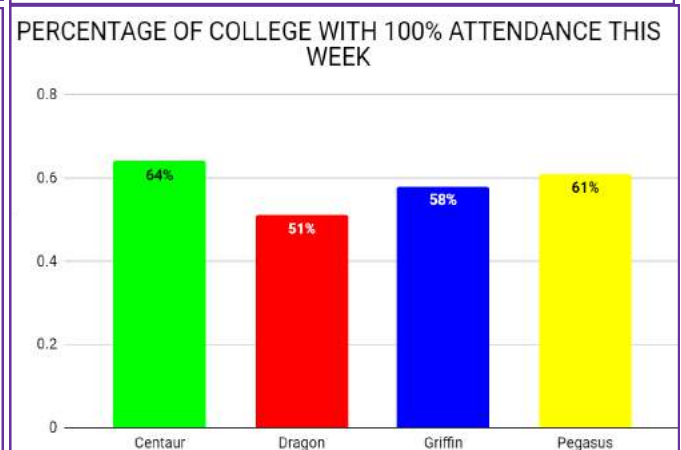
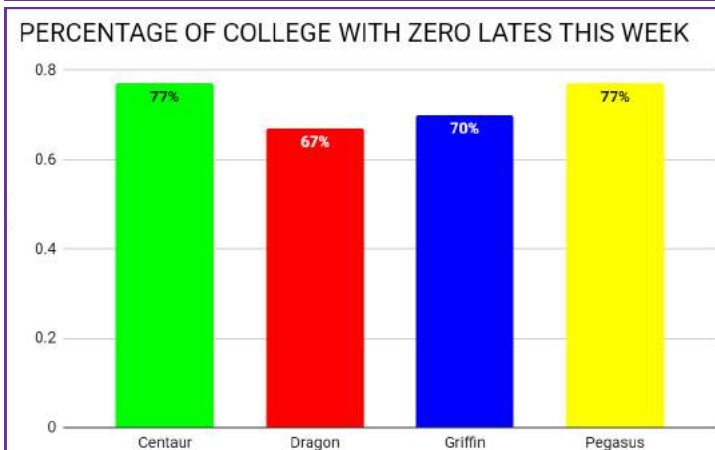
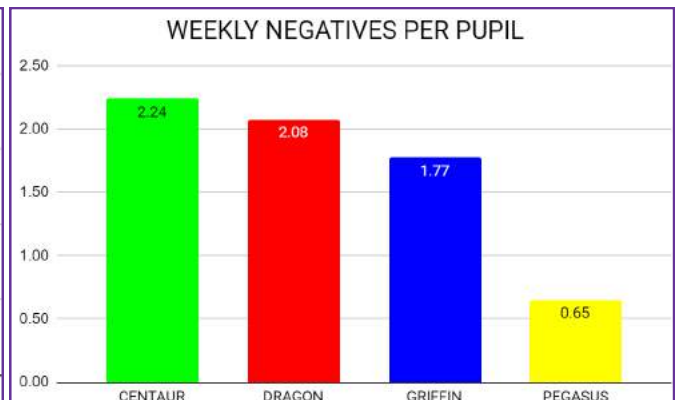
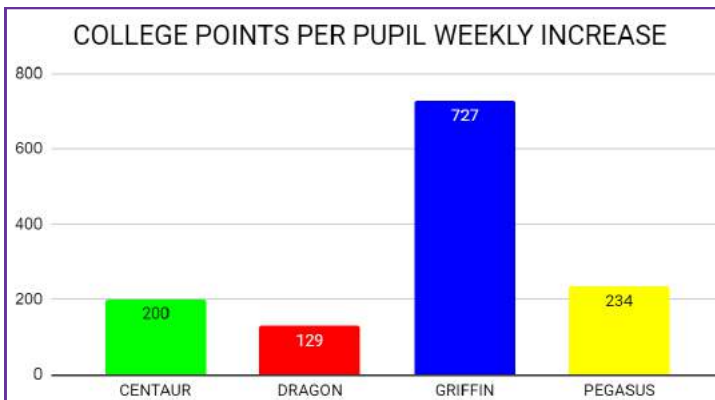
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College – Update

TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Wiktor Kaldonek	8O	1462	Melissa Osmane	9Y	1783	Kyra Thompson	9O	1721	Wiktoria Zamosna	9R	1985
Edmund Tawiah	8G	1340	Nadia Sikora	7O	1768	Isabella Glenn	10M	1620	Jessica Ellis	9R	1961
Centaur	8O	1339	Taylor Purcell	7I	1762	Crystal Dawson-Parry	9O	1610	Daria-Teodora Nedelcu	9R	1876
Dmitrijs Kasko	8G	1338	Dragon	9Y	1761	Ola Marecka	9O	1562	Daniel Eribalo	9R	1767
Ellie-Mae Farrell	8G	1330	Harleen Thandi	7O	1717	Griffin	8R	1558	Oliver Whiting	9R	1755
Centaur	8G	1320	Shanae Coleman	9Y	1714	Daniela Mmadu Macuacua	9O	1545	Harkiran Kaur	9R	1678
Centaur	8G	1310	Maisie Jenkinson	7O	1708	Caitlin Valentine	8R	1521	Amelie Munro	9R	1671
Kezia Oduro	7G	1301	Bella Taylor	7O	1695	Lona Nembo Wakam	8R	1518	Julia Witrykus	9R	1657
Amy Hagan	8O	1291	Charlie Seaman	7O	1666	Havva Imam	10M	1495	Lana Hamaseed	9R	1647
Aiyun Jaman Arosh	8O	1278	Deborah Eribalo	9Y	1663	Georgee Edwards	8R	1474	Adil Khan	9R	1633

Take a look at the statistics below to see where each college places in four key areas of performance.



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

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

Tuesday 18 June - Year 9 students have an exciting day to look forward to. Relationships, sex and health education (RSHE) is a statutory part of the curriculum which is usually delivered in PSHE during tutor time, however, we have been able to arrange a special day on Tuesday 18 June for pupils in year 9 which includes a visiting theatre company.

The day will focus on healthy and safe relationships so is essential learning for the future.

We have run this event for several years now and it has always been a great success. We will produce an article for next week's newsletter but if students or parents have any queries there is a presentation for parents available, or you can contact Ms Burton, and the RSE policy is on the school website

There is also some guidance for parents on the Government website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-sex-and-health-education-guides-for-schools>

Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 July - Summer Showcase (7pm - 9.30pm)

Wednesday 10 July - Celebration Event (4.30pm - 6.00pm)