



# STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 24.05.2024

## Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



## Did You Know?

*Another week, where students have shone in their attitude to exams. It is a difficult time for some, yet the energy and commitment continues to impress.*

*Again, some lovely articles - well done to Caitlyn for winning the 'design award in green' challenge, part of our Mental Health Week activities. Great to see so many students getting involved.*

*Also, a celebration of the excellent careers' day for Key Stage 3. A very well organised event. Jaguar Land Rover apprentices were impressed with the sixth formers who guided them through the day. Thanks to Mr Ahbedin—an expert in this area.*

*We hope everyone enjoys a restful half term break and for those students who still have exams, the following revision sessions will be running next week:*

	10.00am-12.30pm	Lunch 12.30-1.00pm	1.00-2.30pm
<b>Tue 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>	<b>History</b> Mr Veal W4 <b>Exam support and well-being</b> Ms Bavington		<b>History</b> Mr Veal W4
<b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>	<b>Maths Grade 4/5</b> Ms Odams W10 <b>English</b> Mrs Smith W12 <b>English</b> Ms Kowalska W13		<b>Maths Grade 4/5</b> Ms Odams W10
<b>Thu 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>	<b>Maths Resit and Foundation Studies groups</b> Ms Odams W10		<b>Maths Resit and Foundation Studies groups</b> Ms Odams W10
<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024</b>	<b>Maths Level 5-7</b> Mrs Clarke  <b>Music Technology</b> Mr Lodge N5		<b>Maths Level 6-9</b> Mrs Clarke <b>Music Technology</b> Mr Lodge N5 <b>Spanish</b> Ms Smith S4

## We are Lyng Hall - Careers' Day

Earlier this term, the whole of KS3 participated in a drop down carousel careers' day welcoming external visitors from different career paths to deliver an exciting and informative day!



Such a 'memorable day' according to one teacher at Lyng Hall. We hosted the first 'in person' careers' day for key stage 3 students. This consisted of a mixture of live theatre workshops, led by the Army and DHL, virtual workshops run by the Department for Work and Pensions, Severn Trent and the Access Creative College, and finally, classroom visits for all year groups involved by Jaguar Land Rover.

The DHL session wowed the students with how far the logistics company reaches in terms of global scale and the fact that animals such as camels are used for transportation for DHL in the desert! Furthermore, the students got to meet with DHL employees, learn from them and ask about business opportunities.

Seven volunteers from Jaguar Land Rover visited all key stage 3 students across the 3 hours of their visit. They were matched to different ability groups by our wonderful 6th formers who volunteered to meet, greet and network with employers, acting as floating volunteers for the day. JLR delivered scenario based activities and shared their stories of going from school into employment. The youngest employee was 19 years of age and was an excellent role model for our pupils!

The virtual workshops from Severn Trent, Access College and DWP, were symbolic of how Lyng Hall have maintained their link to virtual and hybrid ways to work, since Covid 19. The virtual system was easy to access and reached more classes. It allowed teachers to be involved and it enabled students to still speak with an external employer. There were quizzes, questions and answers as well as thought provoking videos shared.





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The Army were in the Theatre and delved deep into the range of careers possible with them. It was enlightening to hear the personal story of Sgt Matt Gandy but also hear some of the questions that were asked, such as: “What was your toughest mission?” and “Have you ever handled a gun?”. Both questions presented a limited view of the army careers but the guests did a fabulous job of quashing the misconceptions that a career in the army is limited to just the battlefield. Furthermore, key discussions and questions regarding apprenticeships and technical, vocational routes were asked.



The Careers' Day also gave employers and virtual presenters an opportunity to discuss with students, the technical qualifications such as apprenticeships and T- levels which they offer within their organisations, satisfying the requirements for the provider access legislation 2023.

As a result of our first careers carousel day for KS3, the following Gatsby benchmarks were achieved:

**Benchmark 1**— A stable careers programme. This was our first Careers carousel day and it was in honour of our wide careers programme.

**Benchmark 3** — Addressing the needs of each pupil. We did this by ensuring a variety of speakers available, with a variety of social, economic and educational contexts.

**Benchmark 4**— Encounters with employers and employees. Especially STEM plays an integral role in the Water systems industry, in our encounter with Severn Trent.

**Benchmark 5**—Encounters with employers and employees. As example by our visits by the ARMY, JLR and DHL>

**Benchmark 7** —meaningful Encounters with further and higher education—as shown the Access creative and digital college in their



**Our school, employers, teachers and students found:**

“Hopefully some of the students learned something new or had a new found spark for the Army” - **Employer**

“Colleagues that supported in the theatre to settle their classes made the day a success” - **Teacher**

“I managed to learn a lot from today and will be looking forward to doing more things like this again” - **6th former**

“really well organised and very interesting. I only did year 7 and year 9 but both guest speakers were so interesting” - **Teacher**

“I have been with my Y8 on the last part in the Theatre. Very interesting guests, especially for the military ‘enthusiastic’ like me.” - **Teacher**

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More recently, 7O took part in 'The Big Idea,' exploring social enterprise, its importance, and innovative tech creations that are already transforming the world, before being briefed on a task to create their own! This was pitched to the DELL representative who decided 7O's top ideas based on innovation, key skills including team work and problem solving, and delivery of their pitch!

Welcome to...

## The Big Idea

The Talent Foundry

DELL Technologies

### The main event: Your brief



You are a social enterprise business, you've been approached by Dell who want to support you to help your community.



You have been challenged to come up with an idea which will stand out to Dell in order to secure the funding from Dell and help their local community.



Dell have the following requirements in their brief:

- Solving a current social issue affecting the community right now
- Innovative and outside of the box
- The product should be sustainable

### The main event: Your product idea

We are going to follow this 3 step process to come up with your product idea for Dell...

Step 1

Inventing product and product name

Step 2

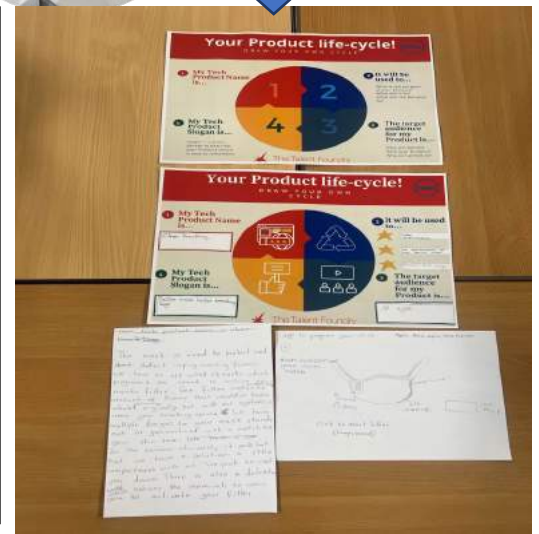
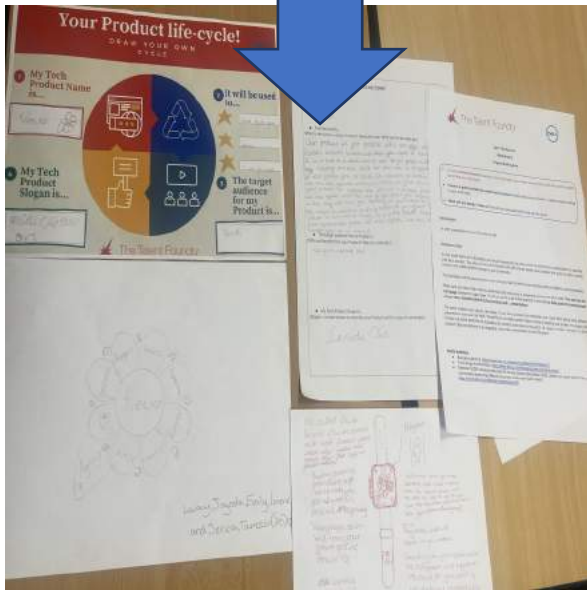
Producing a sketch or poster of your product

Step 3

Produce a life cycle to show their product journey



DELL Technologies



**"Using your imagination to improve the world around you."**

**"Creativity of everyone creating new things!"**

**"How to improve problems using technology"**

**Our student reflections of their learning from the sessions...**

**"Teamwork!"**

**"Our communication skills and understanding people's opinions."**

**"Planning and hearing everyone's opinions"**





# We are Lyng Hall - 'Green Outfit' challenge for Mental Health Week



1. Draw a green outfit representing positive mental health!
2. Give to your tutor between 13<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May.
3. It will then be judged by the colleges.
4. Win an amazon voucher and points for your college.



For mental health week, 13th to 19th May, we presented a whole school enterprising challenge. In honour of the Mental Health Foundation, all colleges were tasked to create a design of an outfit that is green predominantly and represents positive mental health. It was then judged by the college leaders based on design and importantly, how well it represented positive mental health.

The challenge helped pupils think about marketing, business, fashion, design and anything that relates to thinking creatively.

### Third Places: Sahasvi in 7Y and Sofia from TEFL



A great entry from Sahasvi and Sofia. Sahasvi going for an interesting half shirt and green rain in the background. Sofia's looks positively traditional to her Romanian heritage and has thrown up several versions of her green outfit design!

### Second place: Georgee Edwards from 8R



Georgee has gone for the smiley design and flairs. It looks hippy and the second one has a comfy and rebellious aspect. Also worth mentioning how Georgee has clearly taken time to add dark and light details to the drawings.

### First Places: Caitlyn Valentine from 8R



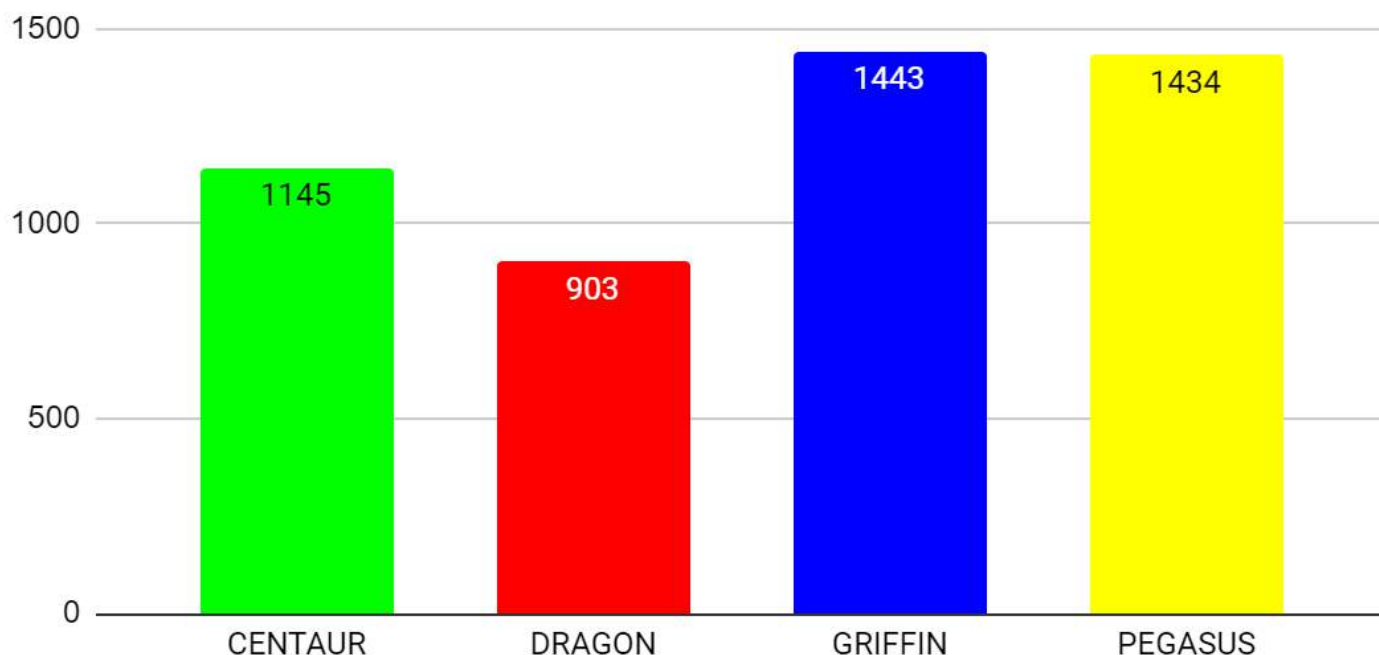
Caitlyn has clearly thought deeply about her design. The images look worthy of a fashion designer in their arrangement and style. Both carry such an important message that we should remember to 'be positive' and 'always smile'.

Caitlyn won not only an **Amazon voucher**, but also points for her college, **Griffin!**



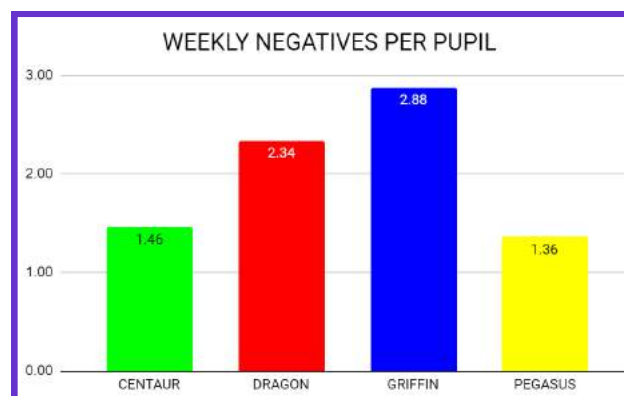
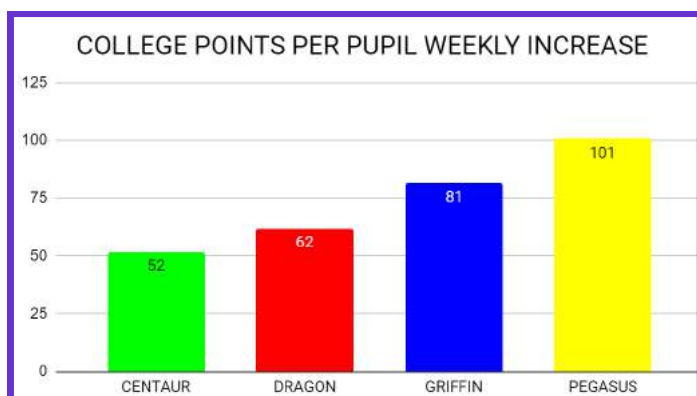
## College – Update

### COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



The college grand total points have never been closer! There are only 9 points between first and second place! Miss Gaggini has been predicting a Pegasus take-over for a while now, some may have noticed the hints being dropped in college assemblies, and it now appears that it might actually happen by the first week back, after half-term.

Pegasus have consistently been securing the greatest weekly increase in positive points for a long period of time now, and this has finally enabled them to catch up with the lead that Griffin have had for the majority of this year! Pegasus also tend to be the college with the lowest number of negative points each week; meaning they regularly receive the 1000 points bonus for their exemplary behaviour.



# College – Update

What a fantastic time it would be to take the lead - when the FREE college reward trip is just around the corner and is awarded to all pupils in the winning college of the championship. It is not only game-on for Griffin but, it is still VERY possible for Dragon, whom are currently in fourth place, to win the championship. The two college championship days, full of activities which are designed to allow pupils and colleges to gain as many points as possible, have a huge impact on the grand total points. These two champ days could completely destroy the college in the winning position and push them to the bottom of the league. The fight is not over, in fact, it may have only just begun!

TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Wiktor Kaldonek	8O	1302	Dragon	9Y	1686	Kyra Thompson	9O	1701	Wiktor Zamosna	9R	1910
Dmitrijs Kasko	8G	1251	Melissa Osmane	9Y	1683	Crystal Dawson-Parry	9O	1520	Jessica Ellis	9R	1883
Edmund Taviah	8G	1227	Nadia Sikora	7O	1596	Isabella Glenn	10M	1511	Daria-Teodora Nedelcu	9R	1763
Ellie-Mae Farrell	8G	1216	Shanae Coleman	9Y	1594	Daniela Mmadu Macuacua	9O	1458	Daniel Eribalo	9R	1652
Centaur	8G	1192	Deborah Eribalo	9Y	1578	Ola Marecka	9O	1442	Oliver Whiting	9R	1630
Efe Cetinel	TEFL	1190	Taylor Purcell	7I	1557	Havva Imam	10M	1400	Julia Witrykus	9R	1582
Centaur	8O	1187	Kimberley Frimpong	9Y	1549	Griffin	8R	1366	Amelie Munro	9R	1568
Emily Hagan	8O	1183	Harleen Thandi	7O	1547	Elektra Erdmane-Hermane	7Y	1364	Lana Hamaseed	9R	1549
Kezia Oduro	7G	1179	Bella Taylor	7O	1539	Katie Clarke-Vieira	9O	1352	Harkiran Kaur	9R	1545
Centaur	8G	1177	Maisie Jenkinson	7O	1536	Caitin Valentine	8R	1325	Amalya Masud	9R	1529

## DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO BEHAVIOUR POINTS

9M 10R 11R 11G 11O 7M 9I 9G 9R 11M

## DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO LATES

7M

9I



## 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](mailto:freeschoolmeals@coventry.gov.uk) Applications can be made through: [www.coventry.gov.uk/applyforfreeschoolmeals](http://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](http://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

Half Term next week - Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May

Exams continue when we return to school on Monday 03 June. There are some holiday exam revision sessions running during half term. See the front page for details.