

# STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## **Important Dates For Your Diary**

See the back page for important dates.



## **Did You Know?**

It is always lovely to see pupils helping out with other pupils. The sixth form Literacy Leaders are working beautifully with younger pupils, listening to them read and discussing their reading on Tuesday and Thursday morning. See page 3 for details.

We also took part in a Guinness World Record attempt this week—more details to follow, but thank you to those who got involved with the live poetry lesson, alongside lots of others.

The Lyng Hall Student Respect Charter is focusing on "Being polite, respectful and to use manners this week." Manners show the difference in any person—when should we thank people? Should we open doors for others? When should we listen? How should we listen? How can we share kindness? Some ideas shared, but talking about these things at home and school makes a huge difference and models the best behaviour.

The Student Council is open to all. This group meet on Monday lunchtimes in E6. If any child is interested, they can just go along. Those in the Student Council wear a purple tie—so keep any eye out for any members. Also, spot the college and achievement pin badges.

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## **World Mental Health Day**



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Come together in yellow on Friday 11th October (World Mental Health Week) to raise vital funds and show children and young people they're not alone with their mental health.

Throughout the day you will get a chance to pay for a message to be read over the tanoy thanking someone for their kindness or any other message that might brighten someone's day.

There will be lots of activities to get involved with too including; Boxercise classes,

T Shirt Design

Friendship bracelets, etc

You can come to school in non-uniform for the day and make a donation but you must be wearing some yellow to show your support for Mental Health Week. Wear yellow or your uniform!

Enjoy!

## We are Lyng Hall - Respect

"Be polite, respectful and use manners. Be thoughtful and considerate."

Every week, staff and pupils are encouraged to look at the theme and discuss what it means,

or have an assembly where they explore the idea further.

This week, the student college respect charter is looking at being polite and respectful. At Lyng Hall, there are many students who go over and beyond in this respect. Examples this week include a pupil helping to get resources ready, another pupil holding open doors for other pupils, a student carrying books and resources as they could see that the teacher was overloaded. A pupil saying, 'Have a lovely day Miss!'

We ask all students to be kind. We also share that the smallest thing—even a smile—can spread to make a person's day turn around. We are always looking for examples of this kind of behaviour.

Each week we deliver certificates, they are 'Kindness Awards.' If your child receives one, they have gone over and above, especially demonstrating the title above.



## We are Lyng Hall - Literacy Leaders

Reading for Pleasure at Lyng Hall!

Literacy Leaders – Peer to Peer reading with Year 7

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning a select group of Year 12 and 13 students come together to help support a group of year 7 students. The idea is to get them reading both in school and out! We support their reading skills, as well as helping them find love and passion for reading. Each morning the Post-16 students read to and listen to their designated Year 7 building a relationship and modelling reading behaviour to follow.

The Post-16 do knowledge checks and work together with their student to complete exciting tasks that are all listed in a specialized booklet created by Mr Smith solidifying their knowledge. These reading sessions have a significant impact on the students and Post 16 students: building confidence, routine and improving self-esteem. I highly recommend the Literacy Leader programme to anyone who might be considering it as it creates a massive impact on the students' results and attitudes towards reading evident in personal feedback and increase in reading scores!







## We are Lyng Hall—Art

Art work for each subject is suddenly appearing in school. Mr James and the Art department have been working hard to make each subject have a bright spot as pupils walk through the corridors.

Elliot, our news photographer, has captured some of the recent canvasses





## **Griffin – Update**

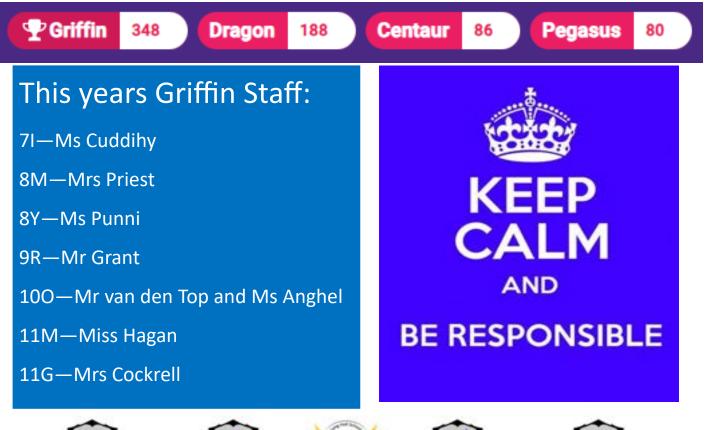
Welcome back to the new academic year Griffins—its been lovely to catch up with you all over the last couple of weeks and hear what you have been up to over the summer holiday. A massive well done to everyone who participated in the Timestable Rockstars, a big positive for us to win the first college championship competition of the year. A big bonus 2000 points to start the new competition, excellent work to all involved!

Welcome to all 7I students into Griffin, who are already making a positive impact on the school. Hear about what they have been up to from Ms Cuddihy:

7I have started planning their anti-litter campaign in conjunction with the Accept and Respect group. We are starting with our forest school area and then hoping to go out in the community and help tidy up local streets. We are also planning our first charity fundraiser where we will be organising a bake sale in school. 5 students enjoyed celebrating their transition success by being invited to the foundation pizza party.

Well done to the students for all their hard work!

- Miss A. Odams







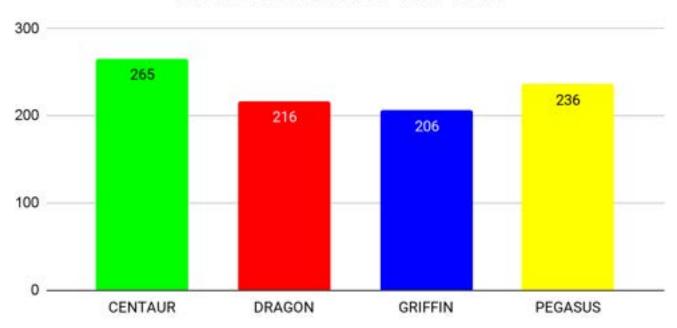






# College – Update

#### COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



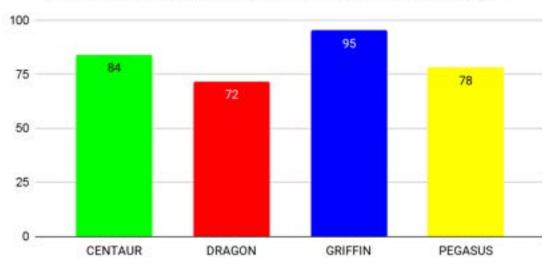
As it stands, we have Centaur in first place, Pegasus in second, Dragon in third and Griffin in fourth place. This is an interesting turnaround to last year however, we are only at the beginning of the new school year and these positions in the championship are easily stolen at this

stage. We can see from the chart adjacent that Griffin had the greatest weekly increase in

points this

week-Will it

#### COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL WEEKLY INCREASE



be enough to move them up from fourth place by next week?











## **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: <a href="mailto:freeschoolmeals@coventry.gov.uk">freeschoolmeals@coventry.gov.uk</a> Applications can be made through: www.coventry.go.uk/applyforfreeschoolmeals



**SCHOOL** 

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

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

> 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.

#### **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: <a href="www.coventry.gov.uk/">www.coventry.gov.uk/</a>

applyforatravelpass

Queries: Tel: 02476975445 or Email:

#### **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**

#### Coming up...

Thursday 10th October - World Mental Health Day (wear yellow for Young Minds)

Tuesday 15th October - Year 11 Parents' Evening

w/c Monday 4th November & Monday 11th November - Year 11 Mock Exams

Wednesday 13th November - Year 7 to 11 Nasal Flu Vaccinations