



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 31.01.2024

Important Dates For Your Diary

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Did You Know?

There continues to be so much going on in school, it is proving to be a busy week!

We had schools from across the MAT in to celebrate Chinese new year and the start of the new lunar calendar. Students got involved in a range of activities across the day, making moon biscuits, mask painting, a dragon and lantern activity, also Chinese flutes. It is a busy day to prepare for, so thank you to Mrs Priest for a successful day.

We hosted a very special visitor this week—an article will follow. Lesley Urbach is a second generation Holocaust survivor - on Tuesday 28th January she spoke with 80 Y9 students, our UNESCO Ambassadors and Y12 English A-Level students. Lesley said: “Thank you very much for inviting me to present my family’s Holocaust story and for the hospitality shown to me. What a lovely group of students you have at the school and of course teachers.”

Miss. Hagan, who coordinated the event, shared this message: “I just wanted to take a moment to offer my sincere thanks for your support in ensuring today’s visit went smoothly. Our students gave Lesley hope. During our lunch, she commented on one of the signs in N5: ‘Don’t let yesterday take up too much of today’ and then spoke passionately about how we can take this idea to build a better future together. This was a lovely closing message for our students to consider.

As her family’s testimony is so intimately connected with Auschwitz-Birkenau, it was incredibly poignant to host her during the same week as the 80th anniversary of its liberation.”

Thank you to all who were fully engaged in this visit—it is important we continue to understand and remember.

We are Lyng Hall - Respect the School Environment



This week, the Student College Charter is focusing on the school environment.

We often talk about responsibility to how the school looks to students and there are many who go the extra mile:

“The year 11 students always help we to tidy up the classroom, they offer to help carry my books and make sure the space is great for the next class.”

“It is a great help to have a few of my class just look around to make sure the class is clean, it is so nice to walk into a positive space.”

“I have heard about the wall colours that are all bright at Lyng Hall—it is great to see the different bright areas.”

One space that needs extra care is on the courtyard and corridors after break and lunch. Sixth formers work at the school to help in the dining room, but encouraging individuals to be aware and tidy is so important.



College – Update

Well done to all Griffin students for continuing to maintain a positive and substantial lead over the other colleges this week. I love nothing more than visiting lessons of students in this college and seeing all of the hard work you all produce on a daily basis!

I am so pleased to see students now coming into school on time, the punctuality drive we are currently having is doing great things to ensure everyone is here on time and learning for the maximum amount of time they can.

Particular shout out here to 11G as the students in this group have

made a massive push to ensure they are in school on time, so well done!

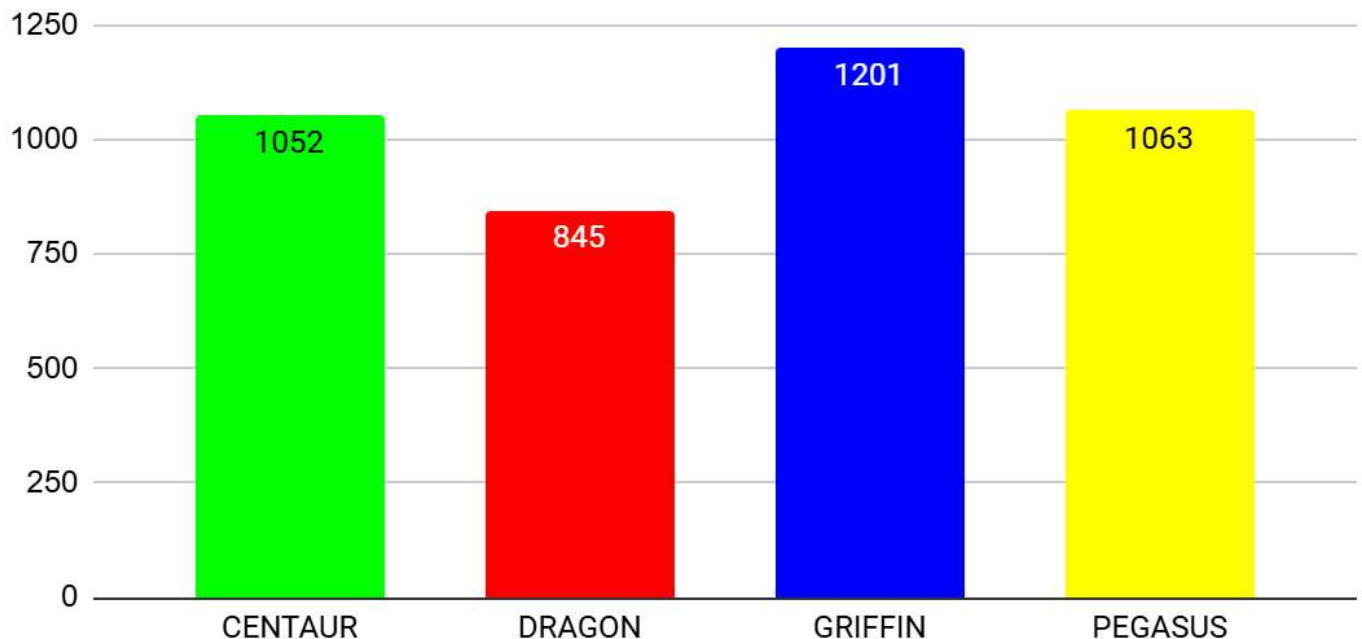


Keep working hard, if we maintain this current rate of improvement we'll know we've won the Championship (again) in no time at all!



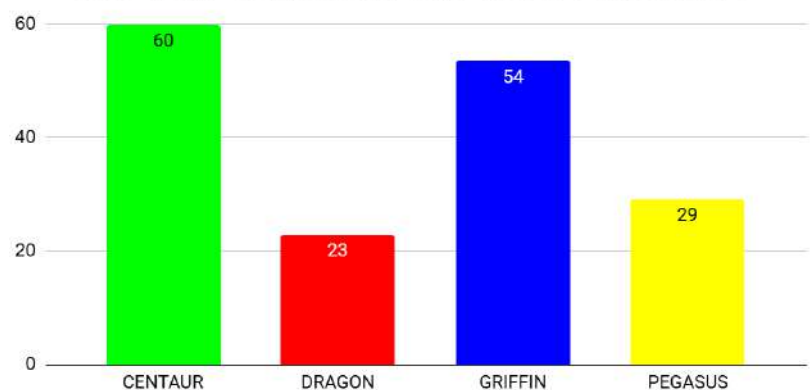
College – Update

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



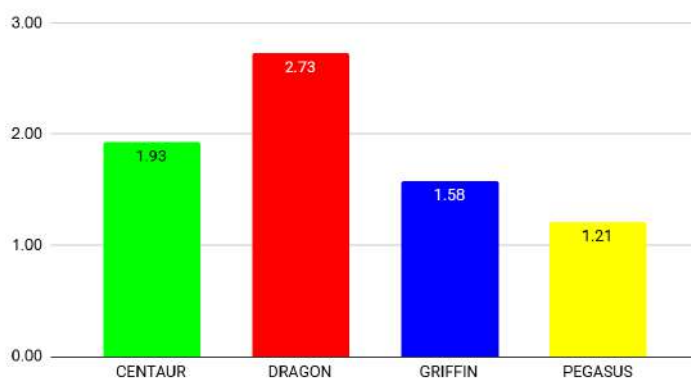
The chart above illustrates the small and achievable gap between Centaur and Pegasus; with only 11 points per pupil holding Centaur behind. Interestingly, Centaur obtained the highest weekly increase out of the four colleges, which could have

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL WEEKLY INCREASE



allowed them to step into second place however, as they also had

WEEKLY NEGATIVES PER PUPIL



a higher number of negative points than Pegasus last week, this meant that Pegasus were just about able to hold the lead on them. Will Centaur manage to knock Pegasus down to third place, before half-term?

College – Update

The 'Top 10' pupils, in each college

TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Reece Wilkes	10M	1289	Deborah Eribalo	10Y	1184	Temí Kazeem	10O	1359	Ashley Dewis	10I	1417
Patrick Stark	10M	1219	Kimberley Frimpong	10Y	1009	Nucuta-Razvan Costache	10O	1358	Julia Witrykus	10R	1240
Caitlynn Babb	10M	1187	Jason Laleye	10Y	967	Piotr Jonas	10O	1292	Sara Raducan	10I	1217
Lily-Rose Eggleton	10M	1164	Ayub Jama	8I	948	Freddie Crossley	10O	1229	Amelie Munro	10R	1215
Ayrton Sumner	10M	1152	Annalise Treacy	8I	886	Franciszek Mazurek	7I	1202	Vanessa Nwajioha	10R	1204
Lucia Gaborova	TEFL	1025	Chloe Farrell	8I	884	Griffin	7I	1196	Alfie Brown	10R	1169
Wen Bo Hu Lavelle	10M	1003	Igor Kap	8I	860	Kevin Yu	9R	1195	Trey Langa	10I	1137
Emaan Haroon	10M	997	Andreea Duna	8I	848	Grace Dawson	10O	1193	Alex Becheru	10I	1126
Tehillah Nyakudya	10M	994	Darren Junior Bishop	10Y	841	Yahya Khan	7I	1192	Javion Duke	10I	1124
Jamie Hajdari	7B	966	Taylor Purcell	8I	820	Griffin	7I	1177	Logan Miller	10I	1095

DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO BEHAVIOUR POINTS

11R

8M

7M

8R

A huge well done to the four groups that did not get a single behaviour point for an entire week. This allowed them to earn double-points for their colleges, which reflects an exemplary attitude in school, although there should definitely be more groups managing to achieve this.

Understandably, punctuality to school and lessons is becoming a key area of focus within the college system. Recently, there have been large numbers of pupils entering the school building after session one has already begun. We have found this to be mostly due to reasons that can be easily fixed; for example, getting up in the mornings 10 minutes earlier, setting off for school 10 minutes earlier, not hanging outside of the shops when school starts. Arriving on-time to school is a basic standard to meet, that will be required in any future occupations our pupils may have and ensures valuable learning time does not become lost. Be punctual for your education!

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

Coming up...

Tuesday 4th February - Year 11 targeted parents evening

w/b 17th February - Half term

w/b 24th February and 3rd March —Year 11 mock exams

w/b 10th March—P16 A Level mock exams

Tuesday 18th March—Year 8 parents evening