

STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 06.10.2023

Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.

Did You Know?

Students are beginning to rehearse for the new show - a winter showcase. See the article introducing new teacher Ms Middleton and her ideas for the next performance.

We have been holding fire drills this week so that new students are aware of where to go in an emergency. Excellent behaviour from all years.

Year 7 parents have had a welcome to Lyng Hall phone call and Parents' evenings are moving back to in-person events. Year 10 parents should be able to book in and will be welcomed into school on 24th October 2023.

It was National Poetry Day on Thursday. Students have been invited to submit a poem sharing what their heritage and identity means to them. Deadline for receipt is Thursday 12th October.

Can you please ensure your child is in school and in registration by 8.50am. We have numeracy, literacy, reading, PSHE and college activities during tutor time. This is a vital part of the day and promptness is an important skill in itself.



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We are Lyng Hall - Performing Arts



News from the Arts!

This year, we welcome a new drama and dance teacher to Lyng Hall. Ms Middleton is now the Head of the Performing Arts department. She teaches a range of classes across the years including Year 11 drama.

Ms Middleton has started dance clubs on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the upcoming school show in December. In addition, Ms Middleton has also created a dance team to prepare them and give them the chance to perform at events outside of school. She can't wait to shape and explore the many talents of Lyng Hall pupils.

This year's show is called Curtain Raisers, it will be presented and created by the students. The title is appropriate as it relates to Ms Middleton's first show here. We can wait to see the final product.



We are always on the lookout for people to write the news stories for the newsletter Alysha and Elliot are 2 of our news reporters. See them if you are interested in joining the team.



We are Lyng Hall - The Cove

Welcome to the Cove!

Named by the students, after a collaboration session, the Cove is the home for SEND support in school. Opposite, N6 The Cove offers a range of support for students.

The Cove is open at social times for students to drop in as required, providing a safe space. These sessions are before school, usually 8.10 onwards, break, lunch and after school.

The Cove runs a range of bespoke interventions and mentoring designed to help students to meet individual needs.

The Cove is supported by a range of outside agencies to deliver targeted interventions.

If you would like any additional information about the SEND provision in school, please get in touch.

Mrs Gaynon and Mrs Carrier

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Centaur College focus



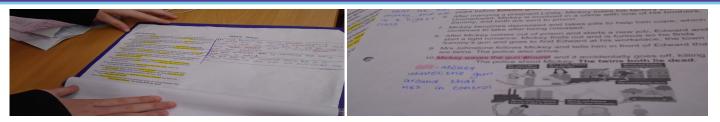
The 2022-23 academic year is behind us. As we nestle into this new academic year, the message for Centaur is simple. *WE WANT TO WIN AGAIN!!* But how can we do this? The answer is to remember each of the Values: Be *determined* to get to school and on time. Take *responsibility* to do well in all of your lessons. Show *empathy* and compassion in the path of your goals. And finally, be *resilient* in the face of challenges. These are the College values we want you to adhere to in every aspect of your school life.

Your Centaur Tutors

Ms Mohamud – 7G Mr Gaynon – 8O Ms Hallworth – 8G Ms Smith – 9M Ms McMahon – 10R Mr Khan – 10I Mr Stickley and Ms Bains – 11R Ms Lazarska and Ms Szalak – TEFL 1 and 2 Mr Davis – 13R Mr Hill and Ms Artewicz – 12Y

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Centaur College focus—Btec Drama: Blood Brothers



Excellent annotation work completed by Keira Marsden from Centaur <u>Keira Marsden—10R</u>

What are you currently learning about?

"We're learning about the differences in language and dialects of the characters in Blood brothers. I find it fascinating how there is a link between economic class and language."

What are you looking forward to the most in this Subject and current topic?

"Seeing the performances"

What have you understood so far?

"it's all about body language and eye contact. I think humour has a massive part to play too in getting the audience to side with the characters".

Kamilla Polikarpova — 10R

What are you currently learning about?

"we're learning about the conversation between Ediie and Mickey"

What are you looking forward to the most in this Subject and current topic?

"Oh. Definitely the final performance!"

What have you understood so far?

"During the time the Blood Brothers was being made, the working class had less power and worse conditions and the higher class had more power and better conditions."

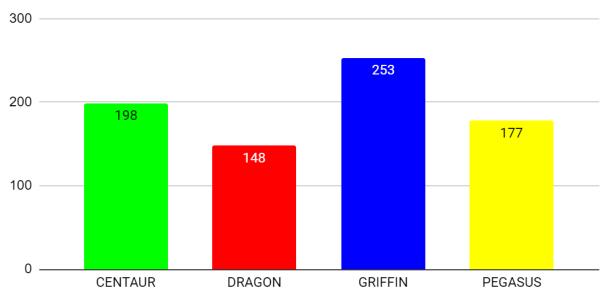
Ms Middleton—Subject Lead for Performing Arts:

"Both students are working hard on their Drama coursework. They have chosen to perform part of the Blood Brothers script as the characters of 'Mrs Lyons' and 'Mrs Johnstone'. This is a challenging script and the girls are busy learning their lines and preparing to perform their work to a live audience. This involves a lot of selfdiscipline and confidence and many hours of preparation. I am pleased with how they have approached their work so far..."



Kamilla from Centaur highly engaged in her BTEC Drama class.

<u>College – Update</u>



COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL

Griffin have stormed ahead in first place with a whopping 253 points per pupil. This is putting them well ahead of the other colleges and will soon create a lead that will be difficult to ever catch up with.

Centaur have managed to hold onto second place with 198 points per pupils however Pegasus are not far behind this with 177 points per pupil. Last week, four Centaur tutor groups gained double-positive points for not having a single pupil in their groups gain a negative point. This shows the excellent level of behaviour in Centaur college. Three Pegasus tutor groups gained double-points for the same reason so if more groups can jump on board with this, Pegasus can most definitely knock Centaur down to third place.

Dragon currently remain in fourth place but this <u>does not</u> mean it will be the case for the entire year. There is plenty of time for them to gain more points and move up the ladder. Interestingly, the top 10 Dragon pupils have more positive points than any of the top 10 pupils in the other colleges and that is an achievement in itself! If Dragon have a strong week with a combination of postcard nominations and punctuality points, there will be no keeping them in fourth place any longer.











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: <u>freeschoolmeals@coventry.gov.uk</u> Applications can be made through: www.coventry.go.uk/ applyforfreeschoolmeals

SCHOOL

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

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.

We accept uniform donations. Please drop any items that you no longer need or require in to school reception.

UNIFORM

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



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: <u>www.coventry.gov.uk/</u> <u>applyforatravelpass</u>

Queries: Tel: 02476975445 or Email:

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

24 October 2023—Parents' Evening for Year 10

Week commencing 06 November 2023—Mock exams for Year 11

Week commencing 20 November 2023—Mock exams for Post 16

28 November 2023—Parents' Evening for Year 11

12 December 2023—Parents' Evening for Post 16