



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 20.10.2023

Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



Did You Know?

It is Year 10 parents' evening next week (3.30 - 5.30 on 24 October). This one is in person in the school theatre and dining room, so it will be lovely to welcome parents and carers back into school. Year 10 parents will have received notification either by email or letter with a link to the booking system <https://lynghallschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> but if you experience any issues logging in, please email: kparsons@lynghallschool.co.uk who will assist you.

The newsletter includes a lot of information this week about the additional activities that students take part in outside of school. They like to share this with us alongside the tutor programme and enrichment events we offer. Tutor time is important for the all-round student. We have a lot going on!

We continue to encourage students to have their own reading book, or to read a book on Myon—a site we subscribe to which contains a wealth of books. It would make a huge difference if you could encourage your child to talk about any books they read and either bring a library/own book in each day, or ask their tutor if they can take home the one the school provides. There is a wealth of research that points to the impact that regular reading of fiction and non-fiction improves mental wellbeing, vocabulary building, comprehension knowledge and eventually access to questions from every subject—including Science and Maths. You can have a huge impact, so please keep talking about their reading. We will feature a section on the questions you could ask next week.

Please check in with your child about their uniform. We have a smart, simple, low cost uniform and students look incredibly smart in it. It is the child and parent/carer's responsibility to ensure children arrive looking the part—we often notice a link, if they look smart, they think smart. Thank you for your support.

All students have now completed at least one fire drill. We were very impressed with how they conducted themselves.

We are Lyng Hall

STUDENT COUNCIL

Lyng Hall has multiple student-led groups which as a collective, form the Student College. One of these student voice groups is 'Student Council'. We went to speak to some of the members that have been attending for a long period of time. One member said, 'I have been attending student council for over 2 years, I enjoy attending the student group because of the open voice it gives me, allowing me to express and to know that I will be listened to.'

Student Council have hosted a wide variety of cultural and fundraising events within the school and are looking to expand into the local community this coming year. One event that Student Council planned and assisted with the operation of was 'Lyng Hall Cultural Day'. This was a multi-cultural show that had various students able to come and express their cultural outfits and traditions within the school.



In the 2022 – 2023 academic year, the school hosted bake sales for college charities and the school's main charity. This bake sale raised money for Christmas Hampers to gift to families over Christmas to share the Christmas spirit!

The Student Council are currently deciding on events they want to run and things they want to discuss for change in 2023-24. Watch this space, as the newsletter is part written by two Student Council members.

By Elliot.

We are Lyng Hall - Respect



As you can see, tutor time continues to be influenced by important additional enrichment and information events. Each month, we focus on the student respect charter, literacy, numeracy and relevant cultural events. Please see Mr Veal's poster at the bottom of this page, following on from his college assemblies last week.

	A	B	C	D	E
1		Week Beginning:		Student Respect Charter	Accept and Respect:
2	Week 1	Mon 4 Sept	1		1st - First day of Spring. 5th - International Day of Charity. 7th Threatened species day. 2-10th History Week. 15-17th - Clean up the World weekend. 21st - International Day of Peace.
3	Week 2	Mon 11 Sept	2		
4	Week 3	Mon 18 Sept	1		
5	Week 4	Mon 25 Sept	2		
6	Week 5	Mon 2 Oct	1		
7	Week 6	Mon 9 Oct	2	Be kind.	4th World Animal Day, 5th World Teachers' Day. 16th World Food Day. School Libraries Month. 4-10th World Space Week. 10th World Mental Health Week. 13-21st Anti Poverty Week.
8	Week 7	Mon 16 Oct	1		
9	Week 8	Mon 23 Oct	2	Be welcoming to all.	
10	Week 9	Mon 30 Oct		HALF TERM	

- We celebrate Black History Month each October. Each year, Mr Veal will lead a project on the significance of a black figure.
- This project will run throughout all of October. You may start whenever you like. Excellent examples of work may be featured in the newsletter or displayed in the Humanities corridor!
 - Mr Veal (W4)
- Focus your study / project on ANY black figure (it does not have to be someone famous) who demonstrated any one (or more than one!) of our college values:
 - a) Empathy
 - b) Resilience
 - c) Responsibility
 - d) Determination



How could I present my project?

You have total freedom in how you want to present your project. You could produce a poster, a poem, an essay or even a video. You are welcome to work in groups.

This year's Black History Month theme is 'Saluting Our Sisters.' It is focussed on the significance of black women.

You can find out more by typing in 'Black History Month' into Google and clicking on the top link.

College – Update

The tables below show the number of postcard nominations that each college has received so far. After 5 weeks, 184 nominations have been made for pupils showing the college values in their lessons: determination (D), empathy (C), responsibility (G) and resilience (P). Each postcard is worth 100 points which is added to the pupil's achievement points and contributes towards their college's total championship points.

College	Type	TOTAL
Centaur	D	13
Centaur	C	2
Centaur	G	5
Centaur	P	3
		23

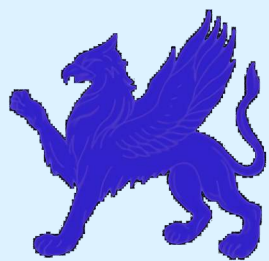
College	Type	TOTAL
Dragon	D	31
Dragon	C	0
Dragon	G	14
Dragon	P	4
		49

College	Type	TOTAL
Griffin	D	28
Griffin	C	2
Griffin	G	7
Griffin	P	1
		38

College	Type	TOTAL
Pegasus	D	28
Pegasus	C	1
Pegasus	G	10
Pegasus	P	35
		74

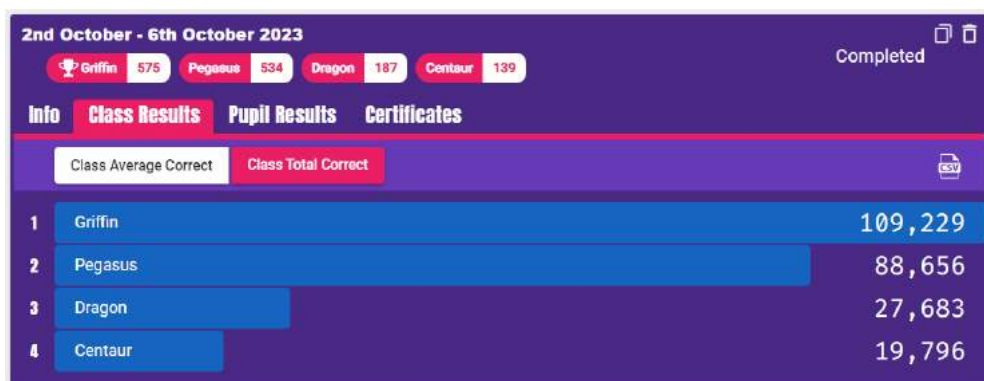


College – Griffin



Griffin have been working extremely hard this term and have managed to stay in the lead every week... apart from this one! Currently, we are in joint 1st place with Pegasus. We are in for the win this year so, we need a super spectacular week, to power ahead and stay on top! Come on TEAM GRIFFIN!

As a college, we have been very successful in the Times Tables Rockstars Maths competition and collectively answered over 100,000 questions correctly—far more than any other college! A special Griffin shout-out goes to Tawidullah for being in the lead of all pupils in years 7, 8



and 9; with over 5000 questions answered after only 2 days! Well done also to the following pupils whom are in the Top 15 for the competition: Januzen, Maja, Rayyan, Xavier and Daniel. 7M are currently our top tutor group with an average of 578 points per pupil. It is clear to see from the photo below that pupils all look incredibly smart and proudly wear their blue tie! 10M is another group, along with 7M, that deserve a special shout-out this week for receiving double positive points due to having zero negative points this week.



College – Griffin



Miss Hallworth set a task to create a model or drawing to represent plant cells. Januzen decided to make a cake to show what he had learned and it looked absolutely fantastic! We are very proud to have so many talented, hard-working students a part of Griffin!

Hayley in 7M has a hobby of making bracelets. Here are a selection of them that she has made in her free time. She has even kindly offered to bring some in to show us. We would love to hear more about the hobbies and interest of our fellow Griffin pupils. Please ask your tutors to pass the information on to feature in our next Griffin article.



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.

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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

Half Term break is Monday 30 October to Friday 03 November

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