



# STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 21.06.2024

## Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



## Did You Know?

*It has been lovely to see the beautiful designs that students have produced and shared using the theme of Refugee Week of Home. On page 2 and 3, you will see some of the designs. We have such an interesting group of children at Lyng Hall. Whether you record home as across the road, or 1000s of miles away, your idea of home and sharing that idea has been so valuable - thank you to those who took part.*

*It isn't too late to share either - we would like the chain of stories about each pupil to spread around west block corridors. Any more designs can be given to your college leader, who can pass them to Mrs Smith.*

*There is a parent and pupil meeting about the exciting chance to visit Croatia on the 26th of June at 6pm. The meeting will be in the school's conference centre. If you want to know more, please come along and all of your questions will be answered.*

*This week, Year 7 have been working on Finham Park MAT's World Class offer. They have been involved in a range of activities over the year and now is time for the evaluation and feedback part.*

*Thank you to Humanities staff and anyone involved in the PSHE day - a number of valuable discussions were held.*

## We are Lyng Hall - Refugee Week. Students share their home

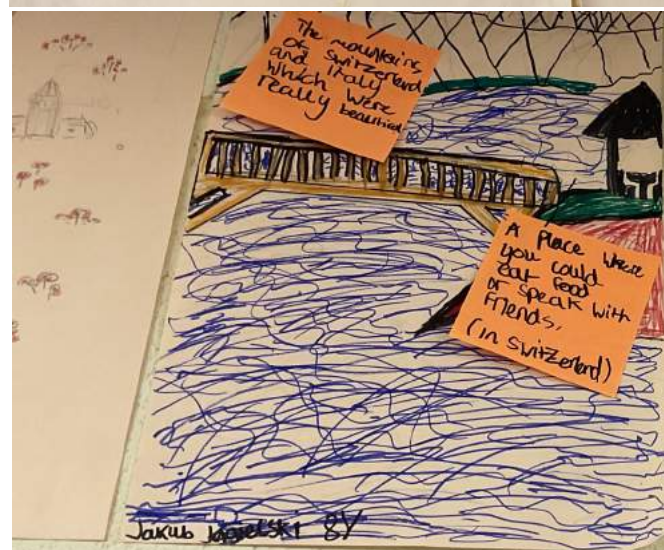


**"To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished." - Malala Yousafzai**

The theme for Refugee Week 2024 is "Our Home". From the places we gather to share meals to our collective home, planet earth: everyone is invited to celebrate what our Our Home means to them.

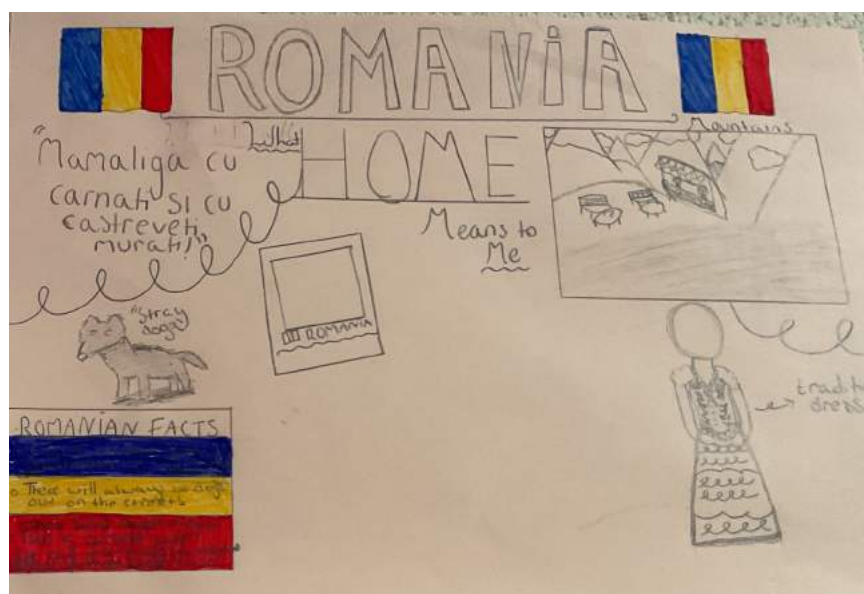
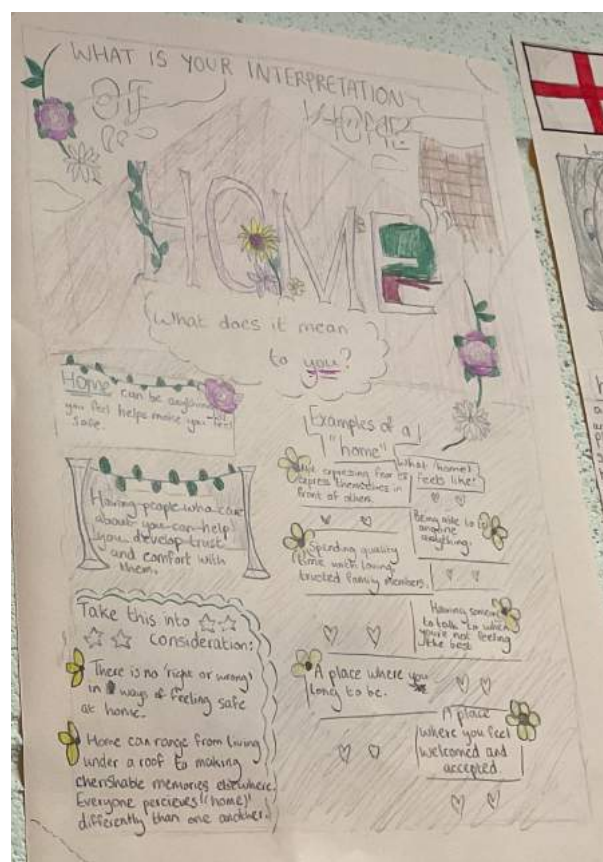
Home can be a place of refuge, a feeling or a state of mind. It can be found in smells, tastes and sounds. From the clothes we wear to the words we grew up with. It's in food, music and arts. It's in our cultures and in our landscapes.

Home can be more than one place and finding it can be a journey, as it is for so many of us who have to leave our countries and rebuild our lives. Sometimes we can find home in a single person. Other times it's in a whole community. And often, it's in a single gesture of care and welcome.





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## We are Lyng Hall - opportunity to visit Krka National Park 2025



### Student Leadership Council and Student Council International Expedition

Your chance to visit a beautiful part of the world, have amazing experiences and help top scientists with their world-changing work.

Summer 2025 – **Open to anyone currently in year 10 or above.**

Croatia – Krka National Park with SCUBA diving in the Mediterranean.

Introductory meeting with Operation Wallacea for ANYONE interested – also intended for parents. June 26th – 6pm – Conference Centre.



### **Summer 2025 – Open to anyone currently in year 10 or above.**

There is a fabulous opportunity for you to have an experience of a lifetime.

The trip is to Croatia – Krka National Park, with SCUBA diving in the Mediterranean.

The first meeting is for you and your parents to see what the adventure is all about and to look at fundraising.

The introductory meeting with Operation Wallacea is for **ANYONE** interested, with their parents, and is on Wednesday 26 June at 6pm in the Conference Centre.

# We are Lyng Hall— Lessons from Auschwitz Part 2

Following George's trip to Poland in March and Sasitha's attendance to live online seminars led by the Holocaust Educational Trust with the aim of re-humanising the millions of lost lives during this catastrophic time, the students were required to share their experiences with their school community. If you missed the first part you will find this on 19.04.24 newsletter.

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, George and Sasitha delivered a workshop to 9M students. Taking inspiration from lighting a candle at Holocaust memorial in Auschwitz, students created a poetic 'Candle of Hope' to align with HET's theme of 'Freedom is Fragile' as part of the workshop. Some of the work is now displayed in the New English Block alongside our ongoing legacy with HET and previous student work.

Here is what George had to say about his experience: " *Having experienced the Lessons from Auschwitz project, I knew I needed to share the thoughts I had. I was a little nervous but then felt confident to share my passion and work with teachers to express my thoughts about the Holocaust with year 9 students. We delivered a short presentation and had lots of great discussions. This is so these year 9s can continue the spreading of the holocaust, and preventing anti-Semitism, racism and many more within our school communities. I gained more knowledge about the holocaust as a result of participating in the project so therefore this information I can use later in the future as an ambassador for HET. I definitely recommend the project to future year 12 students if anyone is interested in the holocaust or wanting to gain an experience to put on their CV and personal statements for future education or jobs.*"



**"Freedom is fragile  
and it cannot be taken  
for granted"**  
- so how do you  
choose to respond to  
injustice?





## We are Lyng Hall— Lessons from Auschwitz Part 2

Sasitha has also shared his thoughts: *'Participating in the Lessons from Auschwitz Project enlightened my understanding of the holocaust and how it's still relevant to prejudice in modern day. A first-hand testimony from one of the holocaust survivors helped me understand what pre-war Jewish life was like and encapsulate their lives from just statistics in historical accounts. These experiences show how respect and unity are essential if we were to develop as a society. It was a very illuminating experience, especially if you're interested in pre-war life.'*

Mr Veal also provided some wonderful feedback on the session and kindly allowed the students to deliver the session during a history lesson: *"A fantastic session! The pupils led a wonderful lesson to 9M that was informative and engaging. Pupils developed their knowledge on this crucial topic through the use of interactive resources."*



Miss Summon who has guided the students through the programme has said: *'I am very proud of the students' maturity, empathy and confidence; the acknowledgment of understanding the importance of bearing witness to the injustices that exist in our world, and ensuring the community is made aware of this in order to highlight the need for equality. They have worked so hard and will be great ambassadors for the Holocaust Educational Trust moving forwards'.*

Well done to George and Sasitha (Year 12 H.E.T ambassadors).

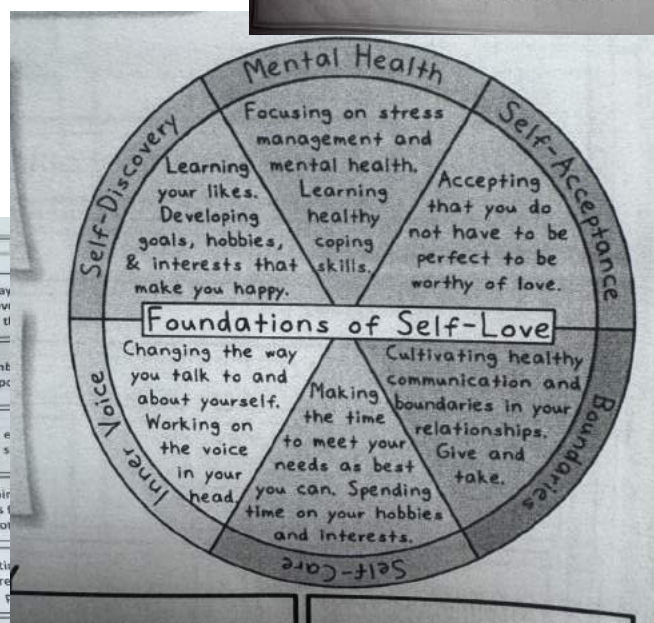
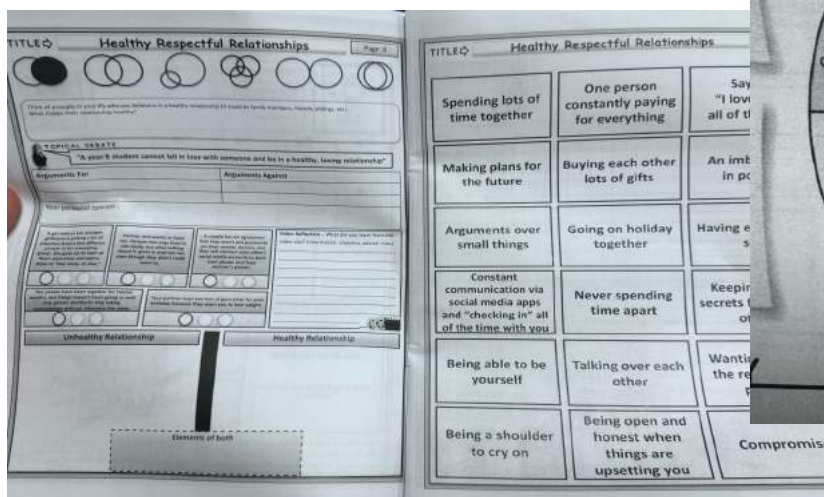
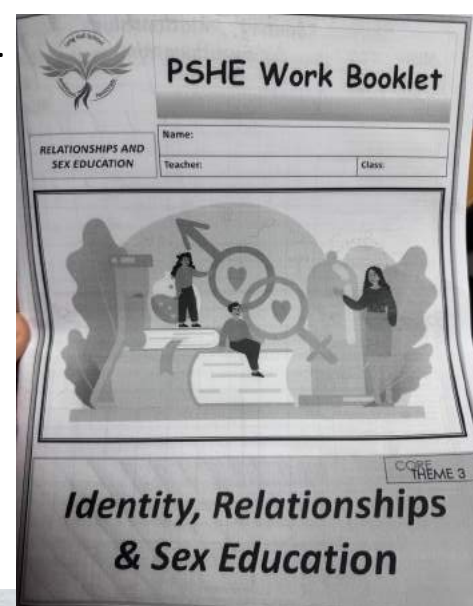
# Pegasus – Update

Well what can I say, we're making a good go of the championship but Griffin seem to find something in their back pockets each time to pull away from us. We took the lead for a week, and then Griffin put on a huge amount of points thanks to postcard nominations in the double up week, something we need to be looking at ourselves.

## BUT ALL IS NOT LOST

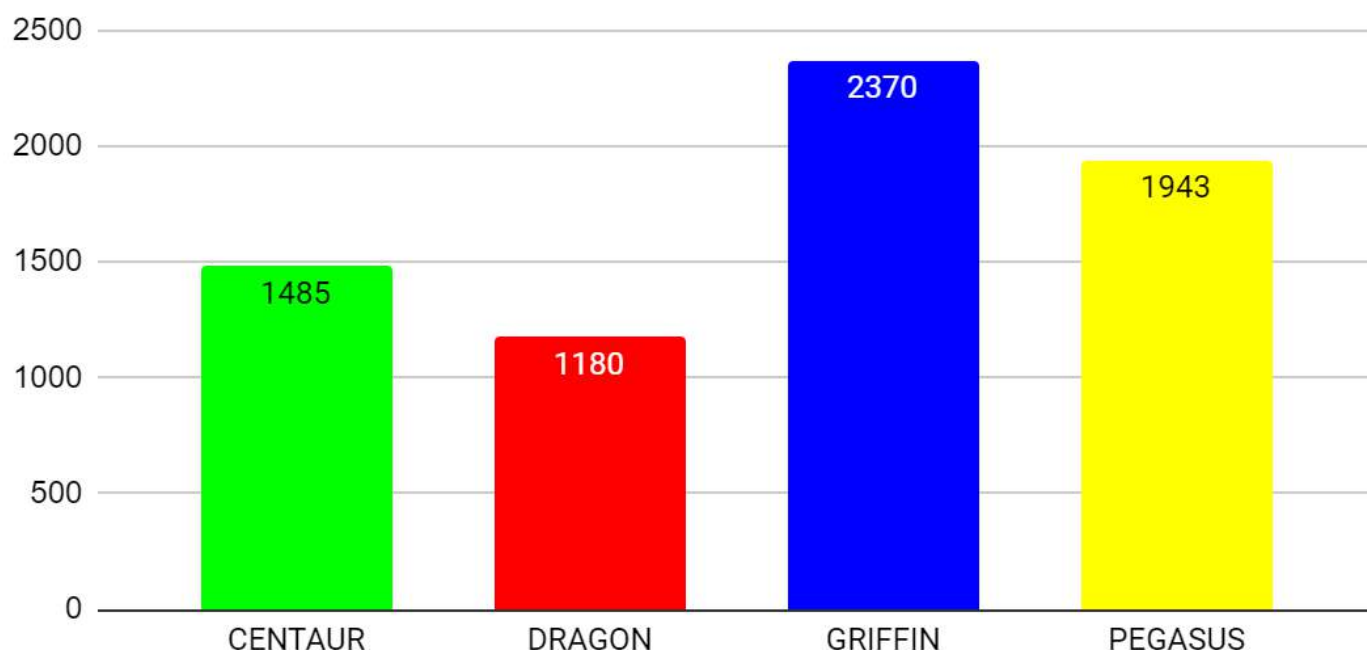
We still have a great opportunity to claw the gap back, and if we time it right, could pip them right at the finish line and take the victory, but this is going to need to be a team effort. 100% attendance, zero lates and zero behaviour points from all of our tutors will give us an insane amount of points needed for victory.

This week has seen the year 9's take part in an RSE day, which went alongside the schools PSHE programme delivered during tutor. It's been really nice going round and seeing what is being delivered and how the pupils are responding to it. 9R with Mrs Cooper have been looking at peoples identity and healthy relationships. The group allowed for some real in depth group discussions and pupils were able to share their opinions and views, meaning that everyone was able to learn and develop their knowledge in a safe and respectful environment.



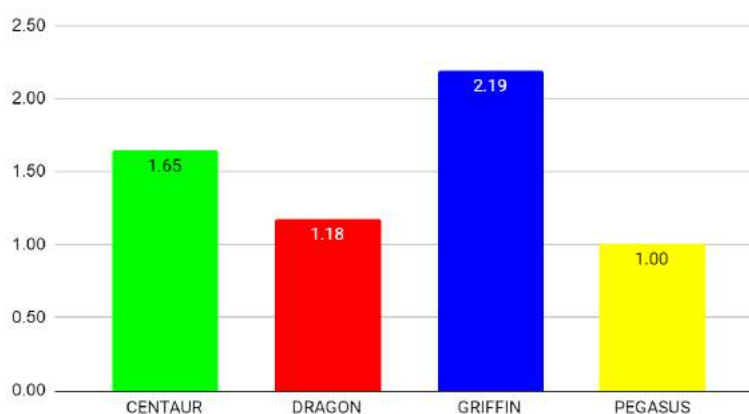
## College – Update

### COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



Griffin are storming ahead but, the points gap may change over the next few weeks as we have lots of exciting events coming up. Pegasus are not far behind and as they had the least amount of behaviour points out of all four colleges, they won the 1000 point bonus this week. Centaur are in third place but they have had the best attendance this week—more pupils in school means more points for their college. Dragon are in fourth place but had the second lowest number of negative points;. Although it would be a challenge, four weeks are definitely enough time for Dragon to move up the ranks and not finish in fourth place.

### WEEKLY NEGATIVES PER PUPIL





# College – Update

TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Wiktor Kaldonek	8O	1567	Taylor Purcell	7I	1889	Kyra Thompson	9O	1801	Wiktor Zamosna	9R	2144
Edmund Tawiah	8G	1432	Melissa Osmare	9Y	1888	Crystal Dawson-Parry	9O	1743	Jessica Ellis	9R	2106
Centaur	8G	1418	Dragon	9Y	1887	Daniela Mmadu Macuacua	9O	1719	Daria-Teodora Nedelcu	9R	1990
Dmitrijs Kasko	8G	1408	Nadia Sikora	7O	1867	Ola Marecka	9O	1688	Daniel Eribalo	9R	1853
Amy Hagan	8O	1396	Harleen Thandi	7O	1816	Isabella Glenn	10M	1661	Oliver Whiting	9R	1833
Aiyan Jaman Arosh	8O	1393	Shanae Coleman	9Y	1805	Griffin	8R	1618	Julia Witrykus	9R	1766
Centaur	8G	1390	Bella Taylor	7O	1788	Katie Clarke-Vieira	9O	1604	Harkiran Kaur	9R	1762
Ellie-Mae Farrell	8G	1382	Maisie Jenkinson	7O	1787	Caitlin Valentine	8R	1586	Amelie Munro	9R	1744
Centaur	8O	1364	Annalise Treacy	7I	1774	Lona Nembo Wakam	8R	1573	Lana Hamaseed	9R	1736
Kezia Oduro	7G	1345	Andreea Duna	7I	1755	George Edwards	8R	1539	Adil Khan	9R	1724

It is great to see students earning so many points! In our next college assembly, there will be lots of badges to award. Well done and keep it up!



**Bronze:**  
1000 points



**Silver:**  
1500 points



**Gold:**  
2000 points

## DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO BEHAVIOUR POINTS

9M 10I 11R 11O 11G 7M 8R 11B 8I 9I 9G 11M

## DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO LATES

8M

9R



## 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

W/C 24 June - Yr 10 mock exams

28 & 27 June - 'Highly Sprung' Workshops

Coming up...

Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 July - Summer Showcase (7pm - 9.30pm)