



STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



Did You Know?

So many events and exciting activities to report on. The end of the school year is always a busy one, but it is lovely to build and grow a different side to the school and students - a way to say thank you for so much hard work.

Griffin are the winners of the College Championship . There are a number of wonderful pictures in the newsletter and the trophy was awarded during our Celebration Evening.

The Celebration Evening itself is always a delightful event - recognition of the hard work and determination that students put in throughout the year. Pictures of the key stage winners are on page 3, however, every single person that is nominated is a winner! It is a difficult decision selecting from so many worthy students.

The articles on Literacy Day and another great Belgrade performance are also interesting reads and wonderful opportunities.

The school show is next week - 'Fame.' The sets are bigger than last year as performing arts in school continues to grow. Make sure you have your tickets.

We are Lyng Hall - Celebration Evening



Celebration is always a high point of the year. It is a chance to say thank you and recognise the hard work of students in each subject.

Here we have a collection of our over-all subject winners, alongside Caelan, the Resilience category winner and Elliot for Contribution to Student College.



We are Lyng Hall - Celebration Evening



At every celebration, we select a winner of each key stage.

Edmund in Year 8 won the Key Stage 3 award.

Alysha in Year 11 won the Key Stage 4 award.

Amy in Year 13, won the prestigious KS5 award, which guarantees a role in school when students have completed the term at their university.



Congratulations to all,. An excellent achievement!



We are Lyng Hall - Respect



Build4TheFuture is a transformative initiative which helps young people in the UK understand the world around them, while providing much needed shelter for child-headed families in South Africa's KwaZulu-Natal region.

[Build4TheFuture – CoCo's Foundation \(cocosfoundation.org.uk\)](http://cocosfoundation.org.uk)

I am going to be part of a build next year. I will pay half of the cost which goes towards the building materials for the house, a donation to the food boxes and help for the orphans with school uniform and supplies. However, I also have a significant amount to fundraise for the charity.

I set the staff a challenge — for 20 people to each help me raise £20 for Coco's Foundation.

Students and staff have risen to the challenge! I am so impressed by the interest in the project and the 20 activities that have been set.

More details to follow in next week's newsletter, but an absolutely huge thank you to all of the students, parents and staff who have supported this important charity. We are already close to the £400 that I had hoped for, with a number of events still to run.

Thank you!

Mrs Smith



Non-uniform contributions on Friday next week will also go to Coco's Foundation. Please bring in any spare change for this worthy cause!

HOW WE'VE CHANGED LIVES...

We have already built 80 houses for child-headed or vulnerable families. Each home costs us £4,800 to build, a small amount for a lifetime of security for these families.

Beyond just a roof, we ensure that each child has a bed, warm blankets and even a hand-knitted Teddy from our lovely 'Knitting Nannies' making them feel safe, secure and loved.



We are Lyng Hall - MAT Celebration of Literacy Day

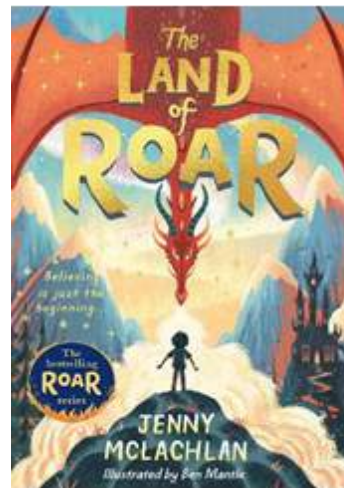
As a Multi-Academy Trust, we firmly believe in the importance of 'Reading for Pleasure' and how valuable it is in supporting our students' success both on a social and emotional level, as well as academically. We appreciate that providing students with opportunities to have experiences beyond the curriculum allows students to grow as people.



Alongside Miss Summon, ten students across year 7 and 8 had the amazing opportunity to attend the MAT Literacy Day at Finham Park 2 which was funded by the University of Warwick.

Throughout the day, the students took part in various workshops: Literacy, food and art and met two authors: Jenny McLachlan and Jack Meggitt-Phillips.

Each workshop offered a unique experience and allowed students to delve into their creativity and imaginations by creating their own stories and maps. This year's theme was: Monsters and Dragons .



Students were praised for the exceptional behaviour and engagement in the activities. They all received a book each to foster their love of reading and some even had them signed by the authors, and were eagerly reading at the breaks.

"Fostering a love for reading and reading for pleasure is so important for everyone. The students were truly immersed in the day. For me, students bringing in their old books to donate and swap was amazing to see and then buying the books they wanted and instantly reading at every opportunity they got was wonderful. They were a credit to Lyng Hall and themselves. There will be more opportunities for more of our students next year to extend their reading opportunities."

Miss Summon.

We are Lyng Hall - Belgrade Performance

Performing Arts students amazed us yet again with another fantastic performance at the Belgrade.

21 students across year's 7, 8 & 9 were selected to work with physical theatre company Highly Sprung. They spent two days with Artist Sarah Raducan to create a drama piece that explored the power of people's opinions on others. This was a collaborative workshop and the students developed many ideas that were included in the final performance. Over the course of two days our performers challenged themselves to create a physical performance that reminded the audience of the power that others have when giving positive and negative opinions. Students then spent the day at the Belgrade with Highly Sprung and were given the amazing opportunity to work with 'Motionhouse Circus Dance company' and physical theatre group 'Fourth Monkey'. After a long day of workshops, the students then performed their piece live in the B2 theatre to a sold-out audience! The reaction from the audience to their work was phenomenal, and the students demonstrated professionalism throughout.

This was an experience that our young performers will never forget! The performing arts staff were very proud to see Lyng Hall students shine on that stage.



We are Lyng Hall - Belgrade Performance



We are Lyng Hall - Reading Success

Reading Successes with Accelerated Reader!

Pupils from 8G, 8B, 7G and 7B have been working hard on their reading progress this year and the following students have all received awards for effort in their Accelerated Reader lessons.

Accelerated Reader puts students in the driver's seat. We guide students, while engaging quizzes and activities help hone students' reading skills with authentic practice, encouraging growth.

In addition to a certificate, the following students received a beautiful enamel reading pin as well as a brand-new book of their choosing, which they'll no doubt enjoy at their leisure this summer:

8G

Ellie-Mae Farrell
Rontic Hagool
Darren Orui
Adam Staton

8B

Michael Obeng
Maira Iqbal

JA

Matilda Oduro

7B

Denis Kurej
David Majewski

There was a **special award** from me for Mohammad Alkalil in 7B, who has really impressed both me and his form tutor, Mr Veal with his reading.

Well done to all who took part and please remember to read this summer; lose yourself in a great book!

Miss McPhilimey

We are Lyng Hall - Reading Success



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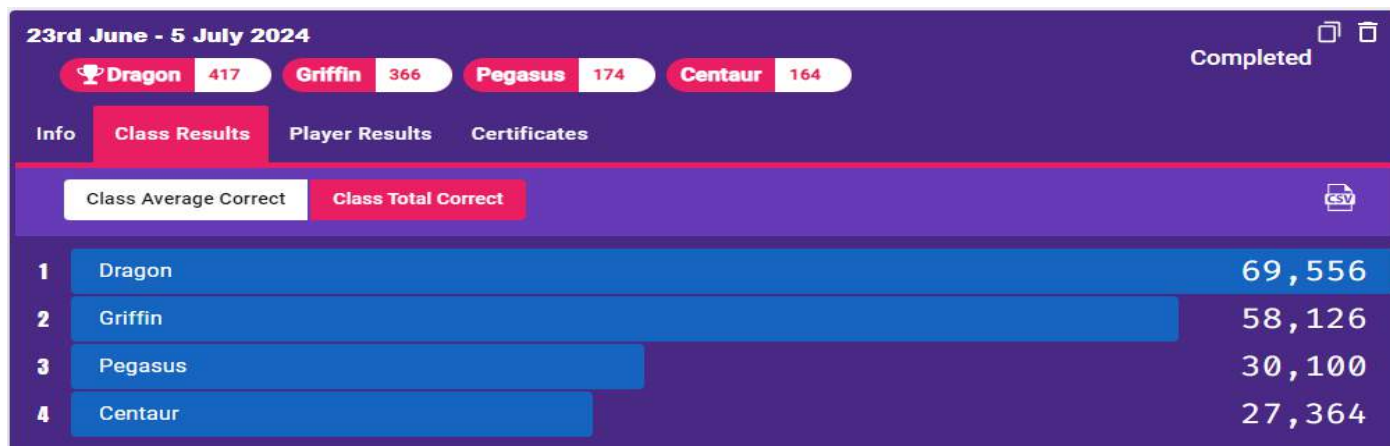
LYNG HALL SCHOOL
THEATRE

WEDNESDAY 17th JULY
THURSDAY 18th JULY
7PM

Tickets available from the
Performing Arts team

Timestable Rockstars

Congratulations to Dragon for winning the final 'Timestable Rockstars' competition of the year. They absolutely smashed it with over 185,000 correct answers given by students over the last 2 weeks, a phenomenal achievement by all!



Massive congratulations (again) to Alfie who successfully completed over 50,000 correct answers by himself! Well done to our top 15 students within the competition.

We will definitely be running these competitions again next year, so keep an eye out!

1	Alfie Smalley	Dragon	55,095
2	Jacob Malsbury	Pegasus	9,877
3	David MARFOWAA	Griffin	9,595
4	Clark MAWER	Centaur	7,640
5	Skye O'NEILL	Griffin	5,307
6	Haleema Nawaz	Centaur	4,597
7	Ayub Jama	Centaur	4,261
8	Trey Langa	Pegasus	4,004
9	Daniel De Oliveira Ribeiro	Pegasus	3,740
10	Yusuf BAHRELDEEN	Griffin	3,568
11	Sahasvi THENNAKON	Griffin	3,349
12	Luke Jones	Pegasus	3,242
13	Ibrahim HAMID	Griffin	3,116
14	Kevin Yu	Griffin	3,015
15	Taylor Purcell	Dragon	2,723



College—Griffin

“We are the Champions!!!” What a great year for Griffin college!! Maintaining the lead throughout the majority of the school year (only slipping for 1 week but then rallying to pull it back), and then going on to win, not only the overall College Championship, but the Champ Days in school as well! A well deserved trip today is the prize. Griffin college students have been invited to participate in an afternoon at Red Kangaroo (photos to follow next week).



The work produced by students over the Champ Days was incredible to see. From ‘Wanted’ posters created after solving a particularly cryptic Murder Mystery, to creating and presenting a Campaign for Charity. Students definitely participated in a lot of fun events this year. See the next few pages of this newsletter edition to see the fun things the students got up to last week, and a wrap up of the college championship this year.



I am so proud to be the leader of this college, and let's maintain that positive momentum into the new academic year!

Congratulations again Griffins!!

Miss Odams



College – Griffin Celebration



Key Stage 4 Fiction: Winner

Anchored Deep

By Izzie,
Year 10, Lyng Hall School

The story...

Anchored Deep

I stood as a silent witness to the dance of seasons, a sapling bathed in the warmth of the sun. Tender leaves unfurled, embracing the gentle whispers of the wind. Through the years, I grew, my roots delving into the earth's embrace, anchoring me to the passage of time.

In the prime of life, I stood proud and strong, my branches a canvas for the symphony of nature. Birds nested in my boughs, and the rustle of leaves told stories of seasons gone by. Spring time of my youth. Storms that tested my resilience, yet I stood resilient, weathering the tempests with the wisdom bestowed by years.

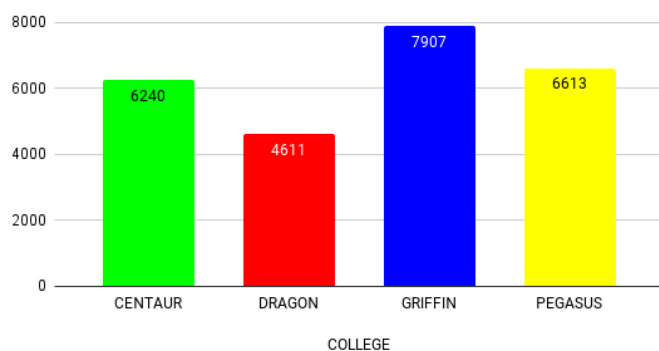
As autumn arrived, a kaleidoscope of colours adorned my branches, a final celebration before the inevitable retreat into dormancy. Winter's hush enveloped me, a time of introspection beneath the blanket of snow. Yet, with the advent of spring, life stirred once more, a testament to the eternal cycle of renewal.

But time wears on, and as the years accumulated, so did the lines etched on my bark. Seasons turned more swiftly, and my branches, once full of vigour, grew weary. In the twilight of my existence, I embraced the inevitability of letting go.



2nd October - 6th October 2023			Completed
Griffin	575	Pegasus	534
Dragon	187	Centaur	139
Info Class Results Pupil Results Certificates			
Class Average Correct		Class Total Correct	
1	Griffin	109,229	
2	Pegasus	88,656	
3	Dragon	27,683	

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



College– Update

GRIFFIN

crowned College Championship winners of 2024!



1ST PLACE



2ND PLACE



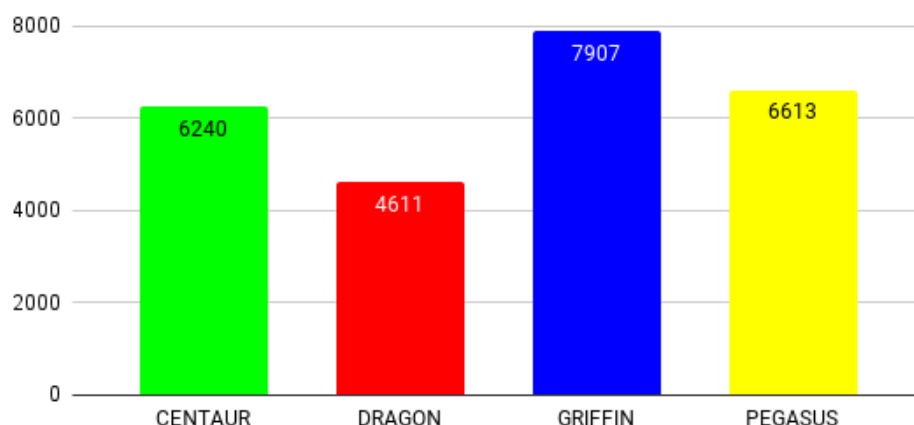
3RD PLACE



4TH PLACE

After leading strongly for the majority of the year, Griffin also placed first across the two college championship days; meaning there was no doubt that any other college would steal their winning title! Their points score throughout the academic year has definitely helped their win however, their performance was so strong across the two championship days, that they led by miles. Interestingly, despite Dragon remaining in fourth place for the majority of the year, if they had in fact performed as well as Griffin did, in the championship competitions, they would have actually jumped from fourth place, right into first place! This fact takes into consideration the points gained from the celebration nominations, the school event that took place on Wednesday, which were worth a whopping 250 points each. This is why there is so much excitement around the two College Champ days - as anything really can happen and first place is most definitely up for grabs from any of the four colleges!

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



The College Championship days were a huge success and pupils appeared to have thoroughly enjoyed the range of activities that took place. The two days were incredibly busy and the smooth execution was down to the time and planning that Lyng Hall staff had dedicated; all to ensure that pupils experienced a fun, exciting and fulfilling two-days. Activities were split into four different areas, with a team building quiz featured on day one and a general knowledge quiz on day two. Pupils were really put to the test, to see if they could recognise their teachers in their baby photos and voice overs, and the 'two truths and a lie' submitted by teachers, definitely created some laughter amongst pupils.

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Kidscape
020 7823 3430
07496 682785 (WhatsApp textline)
parentsupport@kidscape.org.uk
Advice about bullying for young people, their parents, carers, and adults working with children. Provides a parent advice line, textline and email support for adults concerned about a child.

03444 773 774
07537 416 905 (textline)
anxietyuk.org.uk/get-help/helping-your-child
Advice, support and information for people who experience anxiety. Includes specific information for people supporting children and young people with anxiety.

For those under 35 feeling suicidal or those worried about an under-35-year-old; call HOPELINE247 on 08000684141 24/7, 365 days a year

Young people, parents and professionals can call the Rise Helpline on 08081 966798 select option 2, 8am-8pm, 7 days per week. Outside of these hours, an advice-only service is available.

If you need urgent help for your mental health, get help from 111 online or call 111 and select the mental health option.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

call Samaritans on 116 123
text SHOUT to 85258

National Suicide Prevention Helpline
Offers a supportive listening service to anyone with thoughts of suicide. You can call the National Suicide Prevention Helpline UK on 0800 689 3652 (6pm to midnight every day).

The Mix
0808 808 4994 or www.themix.org.uk
Essential support for under 25s. Phone, Email, Web support and Counselling.
www.themix.org.uk/get-support/speak-to-our-team/crisis-messenger - The Mix's Crisis Messenger text service is available 24/7 and open to anyone aged 25 or under living in the UK.
If you're in crisis and need to talk, text THEMIX to 85258

YoungMinds
0808 802 5544
youngminds.org.uk
Mental health information and emotional support for young people, their parents and those who care for them. Offers a Parents Helpline, email service and webchat for support, signposting and advice.

Winston's Wish
08088 020 021
Practical information and emotional support for children and young people experiencing grief, their families and those that care for them. Also offers in-person support groups and drop-in sessions.

0800 111
Contacting Childline

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Citizens Advice Coventry offers free, confidential, impartial and independent advice on a wide range of issues, including consumer, housing, child support and divorce and is a major provider of financial advice whether this is simple debt or more complex problems.

Open Monday to Friday, 9am – 4pm.

If you need telephone advice please call:

0800 144 88 48

0808 2000 247
nationaldahelpline.org.uk
Free 24-hour helpline for women who have experienced domestic abuse and violence, with all female advisors. Also offers a live chat and can help to find refuge accommodation. Run by the domestic violence charity Refuge.

0800 9177 650
help@raamail.org (email helpline)
alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk
Help and support for anyone with alcohol problems.

0808 801 0327
mensadvice.org.uk
Confidential advice and support for men who have experienced domestic violence and abuse by a current or ex-partner or family member.

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If you're experiencing a mental health problem or supporting someone else, you can call SANEline on 0300 304 7000 (4.30pm–10pm every day).

Safe Haven is open every evening from 6pm–11pm for adults aged 16+ living in Coventry and Warwickshire

One-to-one, group and peer support, light activities and coping strategies can be provided in-person at one of our open-access drop-in centres across the region:

Nuneaton: The Retreat, Bond St, CV11 4DA

Coventry: Wellington Gardens, Windsor St CV1 3BT

cwsafehaven.org.uk/02476017200/support@cwsafehaven.org.uk

If you need to talk right now, there are many helplines staffed by trained people ready to listen. They won't judge you, and could help you make sense of what you're feeling.

Many listening services let you talk for as long as you need.

0300 102 1234.

Need support with anything else? visit
<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/virtualfamilyhub>

College Championship Days—Sport



College Championship Days—Sport



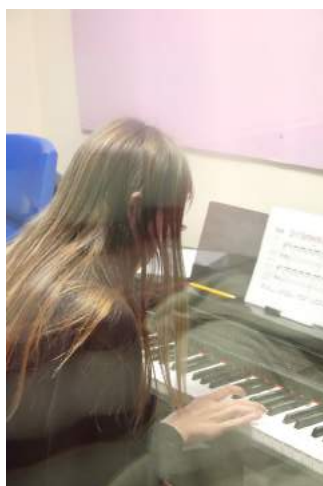
College Championship Days—Maths and Science



College Championship Days—English/Humanities



College Championship Days—PA and Arts



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

Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 July - Fame Production

7.00pm - 9.30pm in the School Theatre. Tickets available from the Performing Arts department

Friday 19 July - Last day of the academic year. School finishes at 12.30pm.