

STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATE 15.11.2024

Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.

Did You Know?

We recently had a return visit from Highly Sprung, who use their theatre space creatively to make pupils aware of the climate crisis and encourage them to think of the impact this has.

A number of pupils got to see their work and the article captures some of the energy.

We remembered Armistice Day and the student council were supported selling the poppies. Thank you to those who purchased an item.

Pupils of the Accept and Respect group meet on the first Tuesday of every month in W12 at lunchtime. We have an exciting project linked to the world map and capturing the different people who make up Lyng Hall School. We also have grown in membership and welcomed new people thank you for joining us!

Mrs Cuddihy is leading all pupils involved completing what is needed for a Blue Peter badge. We have a litter campaign coming up and will present to assembly shortly about who we are what we are about to achieve in upcoming assemblies.

There is a lovely challenge for the colleges to find one of their reading books with a college emblem in, so have a read on page 5.

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We are Lyng Hall - Respect





At the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month – we will remember them.

The Armistice, an agreement to end the fighting of the First World War as a prelude to peace negotiations, began at 11 am on 11 November 1918.

Armistice is Latin for to stand (still) arms.

To this day we mark Armistice Day around the United Kingdom with a <u>Two</u> <u>Minute Silence</u> at I I am on the I I th day of the I I th month.

Poppies were sold by members of the Student Council this week, alongside other merchandise to recognise the day and raise awareness. Thank you to everyone who contributed and wore their poppy or added their funds to this cause.



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Lyng Hall Respect Charter - Help eliminate bullying. Don't gossip.



At Lyng Hall School, we have a zero tolerance for bullying and recognise that gossip and 'hear-say' can cause a lot of small situations to escalate into big ones, unnecessarily. Therefore, we encourage any student whom feels that they are being bullied, to speak up and tell a member of staff, or a

friend that can do this for them. We also expect all of our pupils to eliminate gossip by refusing to get involved and not repeating any rumours or tales to their friends or peers.

DON'T STAND FOR IT

You should all know one thing: YOU MATTER.

If you are being bullied, or know someone who is - tell a teacher, tell a PYC, tell your tutor, tell your parents!

Don't try and struggle through on your own. There is no shame in asking for help.

What are the main points?

- Stand up for your friends but don't get involved or violent.
- Don't entertain/listen to anything that you think might be false.
- Don't spread gossip it causes more problems than it solves.
- Be kind to each other life is too short to always be horrible.

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about."

WENDY MASS, "THE CANDYMAKERS"

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We are Lyng Hall - Highly Sprung

On October 25th we welcomed the incredible Highly Sprung physical theatre company to Lyng Hall with their new show *Accelerate*. Highly Sprung brought *Castaway* to us two years ago, and specifically requested to come back to us after their experience here. Both shows involve complex aerial rigs that require great athleticism from the performers. They did two shows, one for year 7 and one for year 8, with performing arts students in year 11 also joining.

The show explores issues around the climate crisis and each 30 minute performance contains no words, relying entirely on the physicality of the performers. The story is about a group of youngsters who live in a world where energy and technology are lauded as a miraculous cure for everything, but the energy gradually becomes dirty over time as it is used more and more. It's wonderful that we again have the chance to have professional artists in the school.



We are Lyng Hall - Easyfundraising

This year we are asking all our families (staff and parents/carers) to sign up to use the easyfundraising app when making any online purchases whether that be your weekly food shopping; Black Friday deals; car insurance/travel; Christmas gifts or even takeaways.

How it works.

easyfundraising partners with over 8000 brands who donate part of what you spend to the cause you choose, in this case Finham Park Multi Academy Trust. It won't cost you any extra as the cost of the donation is covered by the brand.

It is completely free to sign up & use and by doing so, you will help to generate additional funds for children who not only attend Lyng Hall School but also for children within the Finham Park Multi Academy Trust.

We are working together across our 8 schools to fundraise collectively with the intention of using the funds to: organise future school-based events or activities; offer additional trips & visits; provide resources such as ipads, trim trails or sensory rooms and/or anything else that our schools say would be beneficial to the children.

Even better news!

For every person who signs up via this link <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/</u>

<u>causes/finham-park-multi-academy-trust/</u> between 8th Nov & 22nd Nov 2024, we will receive a £1 donation from easyfundraising. So, our first goal is to reach £500 by the 25th November! Will you help us get there? Please click the link above or scan the QR code to register with easyfundrais ing and support the children across our schools. Thank you.



<u>College – Griffin</u>

Congratulations Griffins for the immense push and regaining first place! A phenomenal job by all to get us back to this position.

Particular shout outs to 100 and 7I who are amongst the highest scoring students this year already, keep up the good work!

After my predecessor managed to get Amanda Holden to video a message to the college, I have promised I would try my best to do one better. I can say I have managed to do this, so keep an eye out in the next Griffin Assembly for some famous words of motivation...

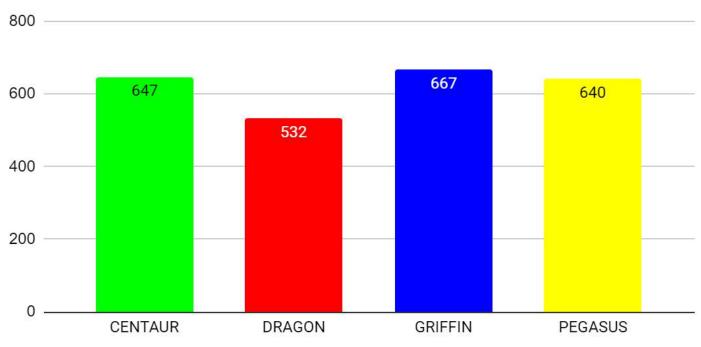


Reading Challenge:

If you read a book with one of the college emblems (Centaur, Dragon, Griffin or Pegasus) as a character in it, come and speak to Miss Odams before Christmas. This is worth a postcard, and will help contribute to your college totals!



<u>College – Update</u>



COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL

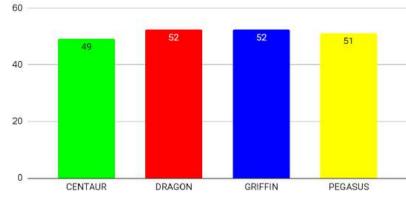
We currently have Griffin in first place, Centaur in second place, Pegasus in third and Dragon in fourth. As displayed in the graph above, there are only 20 points between Centaur and Griffin so, if Centaur bring their A game, they could be first place by the end of next week! Pegasus are not too far behind Centaur, with only a 7 point gap between them however, Dragon currently have the biggest competition as they are almost 100 points away from third place. Are they going to allow this gap to get even bigger or, will they pull it out of the bag by next week?



TOP CENTAURS			TOP DRAGONS			TOP GRIFFINS			TOP PEGASUS		
Reece Wilkes	10M	616	Ajub Jama	81	554	Freddie Crossley	100	798	Ashley Dewis	101	674
Patrick Stark	10M	597	Chloe Farrell	81	534	Jason Manzenzha	100	744	Sara Raducan	101	584
			Liam Kavanagh	81	527				Amelie Munro	10R	572
Callynn Babb	10M	582	Literi i ta hariogri			Griffin	100	677			
Emaan Harcon	10M	535	Taylor Purcell	81	519	Nucuta-Razvan Costache	100	674	Vanessa Nwajioha	10R	561
Wen Bo Hu Lavelle	10M	523	Andreea Duna	81	509	Temi Kazeem	100	651	Javion Duke	101	54
Lucia Gaborova	TEFL	515	Annalise Treacy	81	497	Ragveer Bains	100	641	Logan Miller	101	53
Haleema Nawaz	TEFL	492	lgor Kap	81	487	Piotr Jonas	100	627	Alex Becheru	101	53
Esha Nawaz	TEFL	492	Deborah Eribalo	10Y	441	Ola Marecka	100	564	Trey Langa	101	530
				224	-345	Grace Dawson	100	554	Pegasus	101	510
Centaur	TEFL	488	Summer-Leigh Hislop	81	434	Grace Dawson	100	- 354			
Kynan Halliwell	10M	482	Luis Melia	81	426	Yahya Khan	71	540	Pegasus	101	46

<u>College – Update</u>

COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL WEEKLY INCREASE

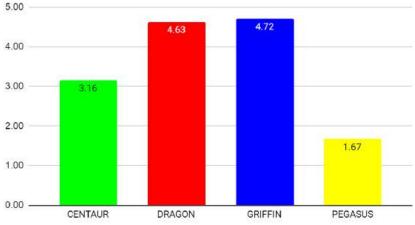


Evidently, all four colleges were fiercely competing to get ahead last week and had very similar weekly increases. To change the statistics, one of them is going to do something

spectacular, to outwit the others. A crucial factor that wiped out any progress made in the weekly increase, was the negative

points gained; particularly for Dragon and Griffin. Negative points are only given when behaviour and attitudes to learning are poor so, improvement in this area is very important.

WEEKLY NEGATIVES PER PUPIL



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

Coming up...

Tuesday 26th November - P16 Parents' Evening

Friday 29th November - Teacher Training day

Friday 13th December - Christmas dinner & Christmas jumper day

Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th December - Winter Show Performance 7pm

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