



# STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



## Did You Know?

*We wish that everyone has a lovely winter break and enjoys time with family and friends. Please take the time to rest after two long terms—it is well deserved.*

*The Winter show has been very successful, once again, it is an impressive act to appear on stage in front of peers, friends and parents, alongside the staff who support. It takes many months of rehearsals, so thanks go again to the Performing Arts' team, who give up many hours making sure this is a success.*

*Well done also to the Foundation Winter Christmas Fayre. They are approaching £450 raised for Coco Foundation—which is amazing! Pupils enjoyed visiting through the day—excellent effort from all. Thank you.*

*We have had had many successes in enrichment this year—part of the World Class offer to pupils, that we will provide enrichment that goes beyond the classroom. In a moment of reflection, looking again at past newsletters, it is a credit to pupils and the staff who ensure these opportunities are available. From the weekly Science Club, UNESCO, art activities, performing arts, music tuition, student council and accept and respect—Prince's Trust, Belgrade links, MAT links—plus so many more—the newsletter attempts to capture some of these adventures and opportunities.*

*Have a lovely Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.*



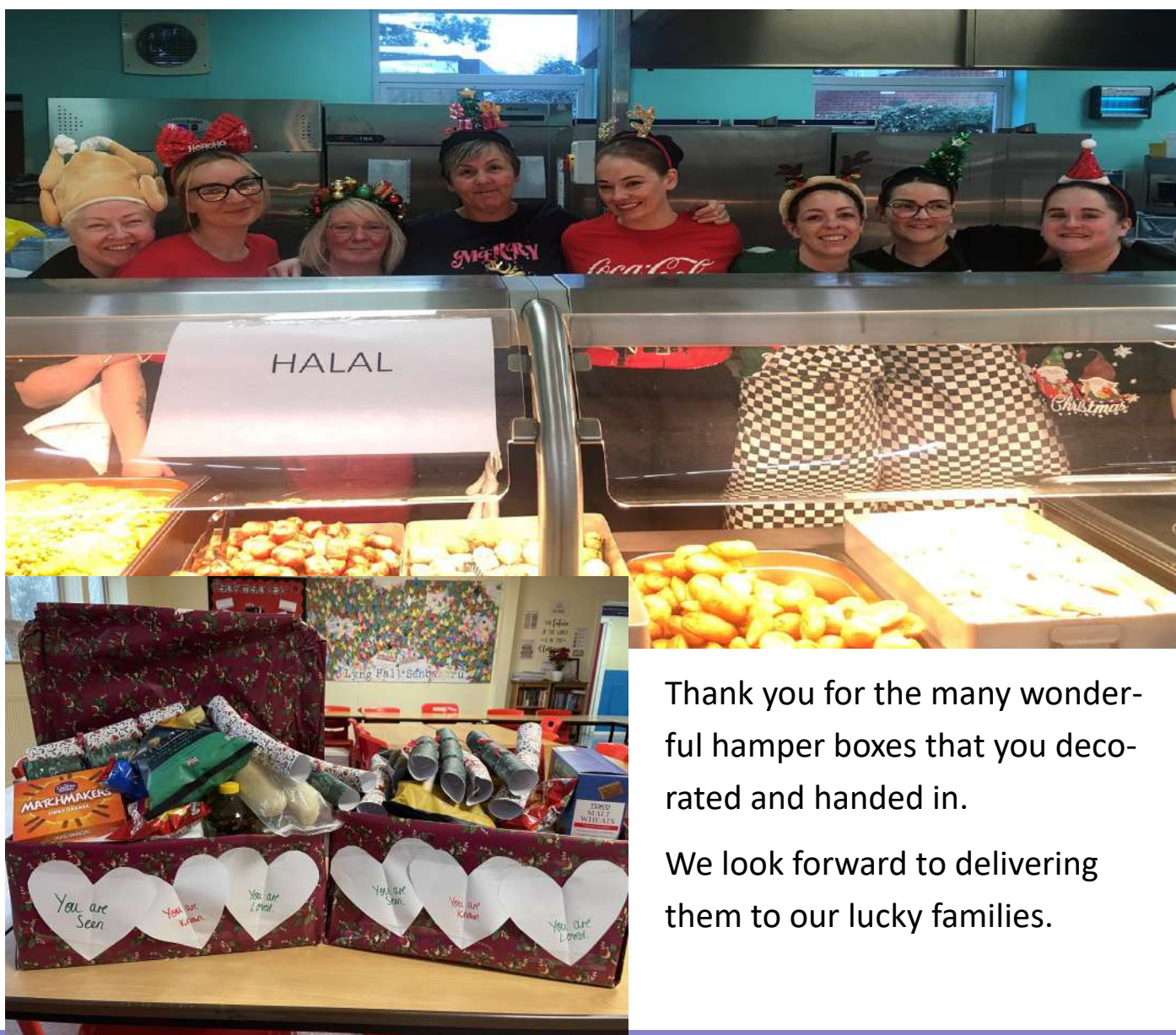
## We are Lyng Hall - Festive Dinner



Thank you to everyone who helped out with the lovely dinner last week. It was great to see everyone in red and/or wearing a Christmas jumper. The catering team did a fabulous job (pictured) with a tasty meal provided free for every pupil and staff in the school, which takes a lot of hard

work!

Thank you also to everyone who helped to make sure everyone got fed: from sixth formers, volunteers, staff from all departments. It is a lovely event each year and thanks go to the school for giving this lovely gift.



Thank you for the many wonderful hamper boxes that you decorated and handed in.

We look forward to delivering them to our lucky families.



## We are Lyng Hall—Toolkit for Life

Pupils have completed a six week Alternative Provision course entitled Toolkit For Life with Career Seekers Direct. This course has taken place two days a week, it involved learning new skills attached to the building trade in preparation for future apprenticeships in the Construction industry. Pupils involved have learnt a variety of essential construction skills such as: bricklaying, basic carpentry, and introduction to plastering, all associated financial expenditures necessary to bring a construction project from inception to completion. They have learnt essential Health and Safety on site modules. Several of the pupils learned about site leadership and extended project management skills, and all pupils received a certificate of completion and a portfolio to take forward to college or employment. They also designed and constructed carpentry art to donate to stakeholders involved in the project which was presented in a ceremony at the end of the course.

Pupils feed back was excellent and one pupil said, 'I have really enjoyed the course for two days a week and the instructors were brilliant. I want to be a bricklayer when I leave school, and this has given me a good start to my career'.



# Pegasus College – Update



So far this academic year, Pegasus college has been a rewarding experience filled with consistent progress and camaraderie among classmates. We've navigated challenges together and emerged in second place, so far, which speaks to our hard work and dedication. The supportive atmosphere fosters both academic growth and personal development, encouraging us to push our boundaries. With the foundation we've built so far this year, there's plenty of room for improvement and opportunities for us to strive for even greater achievements for the remainder of the year. 1st place is our end goal and together we will work to achieve this.



Christmas isn't solely about presents; it's a chance to take a break and recharge our school batteries. During this time, people gather with family and friends, enjoying each other's company and indulging in too many treats. Regardless of religious beliefs, many appreciate this holiday as an opportunity to relax, recharge, and enjoy a festive atmosphere. It's a practical reminder to take a step back from the daily grind and enjoy the simpler pleasures of life. Pupils and staff in Pegasus loved our red day, and seeing so many smiley faces reminds us of why we do this job, but also the togetherness this school feels. Have a great Christmas all Pegasus pupils and families



## 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

### **Coming up...**

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th January 2025 - Teacher Training days

Wednesday 8th January 2025 - Return to school

Tuesday 14th January 2025 - Year 9 parents evening