



# STUDENT COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Important Dates For Your Diary

See the back page for important dates.



## Did You Know?

On Wednesday this week, it was National Numeracy Day!

As you can see, it is important that students also begin to understand the practical side of numbers, so they can apply it to real life. Most of the discussions were about being prepared and the kind of number work you would need going forward.

It is useful, when you are using numbers or figures in your everyday, making sure that your young adult sees how you deal with these situations and how you plan and budget.

**National Numeracy Day**

**21 May 2025**

## What is Numeracy?

- Numeracy is having the confidence to use basic maths at work/school and in day-to-day life.

Numeracy is:
Feeling confident with numbers at work, in the news, on payslip, with your children, and when managing your money.
Feeling able to apply for a new job, or training, that involves numbers or data.
Using a calculator to work something out, or knowing what to Google... and being able to tell if you get a sensible answer.
Being confident with time, for instance when planning journeys.
Understanding what percentages mean, and how they are used.
Knowing when an estimate will do.



# We are Lyng Hall—Revision

Mrs Ellis has been so proud of the year 11s coming in super early to revise.

Mr Green has pledged a free breakfast to anyone coming before the exams—to ensure that they are fuelled ready to do their best.

The outside courtyard has been busy with students, just checking their facts and supporting each other to feel calm and ready.

Good luck all, we wish you the very best!





## Year 7 Kayaking Trip

In preparation for the residential trip taking place next month, pupils practiced their kayaking skills at Coventry Canal Basin. Luckily, the weather was on our side - the sun was out, so it made our water-filled kayaks seem not so bad.



Students learned an array of skills, including: how to paddle forwards and backwards, how to check the water depth and how to get into a raft formation. Overall, it was a lovely experience and has only added towards the excitement for our trip to Plas Y Brenin.



# Centaur – Update

## Empathy: The Heartbeat of Our College Community

Empathy is the ability to understand and share the feelings of another. It goes beyond sympathy; it involves actively listening, being present, and responding with kindness and understanding. This skill does not always happen naturally but, can be cultivated through intentional practices and experiences.

At Lyng Hall School, we believe that empathy is more than just a value - it's the cornerstone of a thriving, inclusive, and compassionate learning environment. In a world that often feels divided, fostering empathy among students and staff is essential for building positive relationships, enhancing emotional intelligence, and preparing young people to navigate the complexities of life.

At Lyng Hall School, we aim to make empathy part of our daily interactions. Teachers encourage active listening during class discussions, to allow pupil's to have their opinions and thoughts to feel heard, whilst others learn to see matters from another's point of view and learn to understand the emotions of others.

### The Benefits of Empathy

- Creates strong peer relationships/friendships
- Reduces incidents of unkind behaviour
- Allows all pupils to feel safer and more included

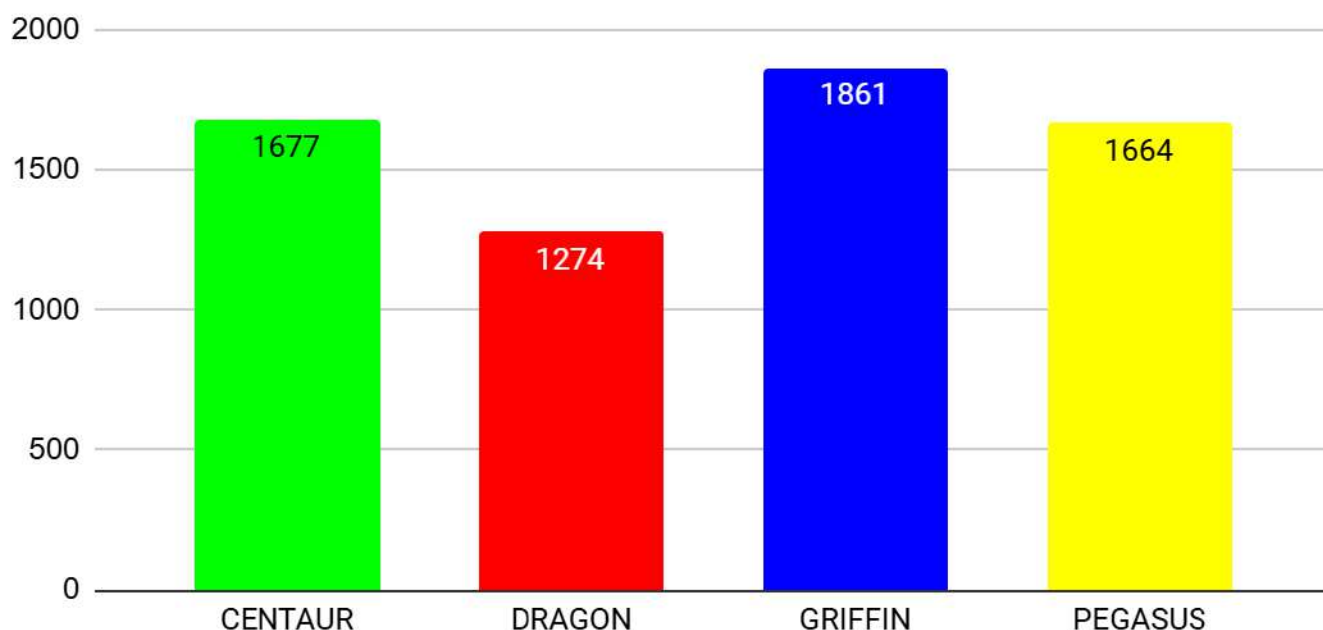
*"There's never an excuse for poor behaviour but often a reason, which greater mutual understanding can potentially address."* - Dr. Helen Demetriou from the University of Cambridge.

Through empathy, we can bridge gaps, resolve conflicts, and build a community grounded in respect and kindness. Together, let's continue to nurture empathy and make our school a place where eve-



## College – Update

### COLLEGE POINTS PER PUPIL



Here are the finishing grand totals for this half-term. There were lots of groups that earned double-points for their college, due to having zero behaviour points, for an entire week. Well done to the groups below, particularly 8M whom actually had their points multiplied by 4, due to also having zero late marks on their register, for the whole week! - Setting standards high! Hopefully there will be even more groups reaching these goals, in the first week back after half-term.

The college team are excited for the first reward trip taking place on the first Friday back, after half-term, where they will be taking 'The 100' to Tenpin bowling. Whom will score the most strikes?

#### DOUBLE POINTS FOR NO BEHAVIOUR POINTS

10M	8O	8M	9I
11R	8B	11M	10R
11I	8I	11G	10G
	10Y	SEA	11O





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### How our school can support your family

We will work together with you to understand what help you need and then together make a plan. This may include working with partner agencies and Coventry City Council's Early Help services as well as members of your support network and other professionals who will form a team around your family to help make positive changes.

### How do I get support?

If you want to receive help from your school, please speak to .....

You can also request help at your local Family Hub by visiting [www.coventry.gov.uk/applyearlyhelp](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/applyearlyhelp) or by calling **0800 8870545**.

There is also 24/7 support available through the Coventry Families Portal <https://www.coventryfamilies.co.uk>

All schools are part of Coventry's Early Help Partnership and will work closely with other agencies to help you and your family. All help is free and confidential.

### How could you and your family benefit from family support?

The family support is designed to help your family in the challenging moments of your life. Our school staff are skilled professionals and want to help you and your family be the best that you can be. The earlier you get help the better.

### What happens if I don't want the help?

We want to work with your family and it's important we have your full engagement but you do not have to take the support that we are offering you, this is a voluntary process and you can tell us at any time if you no longer want the support.

## Family Support

because we all need  
a little help sometimes



Having a conversation



Gathering information about you and your family  
(assessment)



Working together to create a plan



Regular meetings to review the plan  
with the team around your family



When things are better for you and your  
family the plan will close



### How will my information be shared?

You will be asked for your agreement for Early Help services to come together to support you and your family and to share relevant information to get the right help with the right people.

We will use your personal information so that we can provide the right advice and guidance and provide the help that you require as early as possible.

Coventry City Council process personal data because it is necessary to comply with our legal obligations and perform our public duty. We will only share information when it is necessary and lawful. We will tell you if we need to do this and who we are sharing information with.

Coventry City Council complies with the Data Protection Act and the GDPR and is registered with the information Commissioner's Office (ICO) as a Data Controller.

The Privacy Notice explains how personal information could be used, what for, who it will be shared with any why.

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/privacynotice>



## 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...**