

# CHELLASTON ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted that the school values of Integrity, Care and Excellence are at the heart of everything we do at Chellaston Academy. These values are demonstrated and celebrated in abundance and our ICE points and rewards shop has the busiest they have ever been. This week has been a special week with so many memorable experiences and successes, some of which have been captured below.

In addition, our remembrance activities have been something very special and something we should all be proud of. Mr Smith said 'in over 25 years of education, I have never been so moved with an event in school. Today over 1800 young people and over 200 staff paid their respects together in a whole school event. Every single person showed the utmost Integrity, Care and Excellence which made the event so very very special. I want to thank everyone involved and say how proud I am.'

## **Year 11 Parents Evening**

There has been a change to the school calendar. The Year 11 Parents Evening will now take place on **Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December**. Details of how to book appointments will be sent out soon.

## **Change to ICE Points**

There has been a change to how ICE points are being awarded at Chellaston Academy. Every child's form tutor now awards the 18 positive points daily. This is 3 points for each of the 6 lessons during the day. Teachers, either in lessons or out of lessons, can still award extra ICE points where students demonstrate Integrity, Care and Excellence.

## **Mock Exams**

The Year 11 Mock Exams continue next week. Well done to our Year 11s for their approach to these this week. Following the exams, teachers will be supporting the students through the post- Mock evaluation process to identify areas they can work on to improve their exam technique and revision processes to ensure success in the main exam period. Parents are strongly advised to make appointments at the upcoming parents' evening to discuss this.

As a reminder students should register with their form tutor each morning at 8.30am. Any absences should be reported in the normal way by 8am at the latest, please. Students attend exams in full school uniform and must ensure they have the correct equipment for each exam. Normal lessons will continue around the exams.

For reference, in the summer series of exams, the majority of subjects will be examined from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 until 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023. However, practical and language speaking tests will take place prior to this. Please avoid booking or accepting any appointments during this period.

## **Chellaston Academy Weekly Presentation Pride Award**

At Chellaston Academy we collectively strive to ensure that all students demonstrate Integrity, Care and Excellence in the presentation of their work. Therefore, we would like to introduce a weekly Presentation Pride Award to one student across the Academy per week who will receive 30 ICE points. The student in question will be showcased on our website and on our social media platforms. Please see below a short video which explains this further.

<https://vimeo.com/768949166/40a155e9f8>

The first winner of this award is Isabella in year 9 for her outstanding presentation in Chemistry.

## **ICE Point update**

### Year group

Year group	Positive points
7	249707
8	214850
9	223698
10	198408
11	198460
12	69686
13	60824

## **SEND Updates**

SEND Catch up - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November -3:30 till 5pm. Drop in to catch up with our SENCOs and network with other parents and families. Please email [s.stratton@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:s.stratton@chellaston.derby.sch.uk) to confirm your attendance.

## **Mock Interviews**

We are holding mock interviews on:

- 1st December 8.30am – 12.15pm for Year 13
- 8th & 15th December 8.30am – 12.15pm for Year 11

If you are able to support any of the dates listed above, please contact Jo Shillingford, Careers Lead on [careers@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:careers@chellaston.derby.sch.uk) Breakfast will be provided and you will be fully supported through the process.

## **Sixth Form Applications**

Applications for Chellaston Academy Sixth Form are now open. Students received their login details directly to their school email account the week before half term. All details on the broad range of courses we are offering as well as instructions how to apply can be found here: <https://www.chellaston.derby.sch.uk/sixth-form/sixth-form-admissions-2021/>

## **Remembrance Day**

Today we gathered on the courts as a school community to have our two-minute silence together at 11am. A wreath was laid by our students who went on the Battlefields trip and our Last Post was played by the very talented Sophie Short in Year 7, who did an amazing job. Cadets from the Armed Forces and RAF chose to lead our parade in uniform which was fantastic to witness. We wish them all luck in their parades on Sunday. We were very proud of all our young people showing respect and being so brilliant when reflecting in silence.



## **Padley Centre Thanksgiving Concert Derby Cathedral**

On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November, a section of our Year 8 choir took part in a community concert held at Derby Cathedral in aid of help the homeless, ran by the Padley centre. The students sang two songs in two-part harmony with audience participation and performed to an exceptional standard. They were a credit to the Academy and helped the event raise over £800, going towards providing food, clothing, meals, and activities for those in need across the city.



## **Children in Need**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November – the BBC will be having an appeal night for Children in Need. On that day we are inviting students to come in non-uniform if they would like to and to voluntarily donate £1 to this worthy cause. Our prefect team will also be holding events and running small stalls during lunchtime to raise further monies. We appreciate that it may not be easy to donate at this time and therefore this is entirely voluntarily. any contributions, large or small, are to be paid online where possible at our donations ParentPay website here:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=9063>

You do not need to be logged in for this.

Pupils may wish to join in with the **spots** theme of the day, wear fancy dress or simply come in their own clothes. We would like clothing to be appropriate for a school environment and your support with this would be appreciated.

To see more about the work this charity does – please see <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

### **Sports Achievements**

Well done to the Year 7 students that ran the cross-country final this week. Please congratulate them as this was a tough one. The field had a few leg-breaking slopes. The kind that gives stiches and sore calves, all of them suffered and all of them showed plucky courage, making it a fantastic team effort.

<b>Year 7 Girls</b>	<b>Y7 Boys</b>
Chloe Dunncliffe	Haryad Alani
Grace Knight	Nana Brobbey
Bethany Llewellyn	Jacob Comis
Chiara Paciolla	Oli Dabell
Evie Perks	Taylor Redfern
Jessica Whitehead	Liam Skipper

Kind regards

Your Senior Leadership Team