

CHELLASTON ACADEMY

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Dear Members of the School Community,

In a week where the weather has been very unpredictable, I am delighted to say that Chellaston Academy has continued demonstrating and living our values of Integrity, Care and Excellence. There have been a variety of memorable experiences provided for our young people as well as good quality learning. We have tried to capture some of the events that have happened recently as well as provide some important updates.

Governor and Trustee Visits

We are delighted to inform the community that a number of governors have been into the school this week to get to know the school community. This has included joining the Senior Team on lessons visits and On Call. The experience has been very useful, and we are delighted to say that their feedback has been very positive. In addition, three of the QEGSMAT Trustees visited the school and completed a similar experience. Their feedback was also positive, and the Vice Chair of Trustees said that you can feel the difference in the school.

Strike Day Plans

Please follow the [Link](#) to the school communications outlining the plans for the next two NEU National strike days on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March.

Year 7 Parents Evening

Our Year 7 parents evening will take place on Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd March. Communications will be sent out soon so parents can start booking appointments.

Classroom Equipment

Please can we remind all students to bring in appropriate equipment or stationery needed for their learning. This includes, blue/black pens, a pencil, ruler and rubber. All members of Chellaston Academy are able to purchase equipment (including calculators and revision materials) from our ICE cube (shop) using their ICE points.

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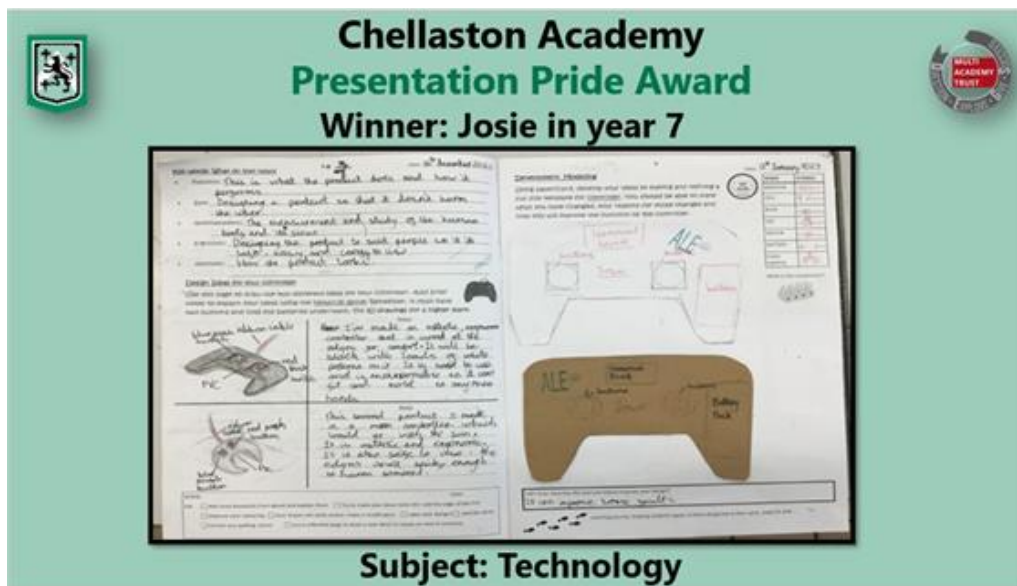
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Presentation Pride Award

This week's Presentation Pride Award goes to Josie in Year 7 for her amazing presentation in Technology.

Please find the link to our website here: [Presentation Awards](#)



Year 11 – 12 Transition day

Our Sixth Form Transition Day will be held on Tuesday 27th June 2023. This day is for those students who have received an offer for Chellaston Academy Sixth Form. This day is designed to give students a flavour of what life is like at Chellaston Academy Sixth Form. They will have the opportunity to work with subject specialists so that they are prepared to hit the ground running in September, and meet the key people that will support them through their Key Stage 5 journey.

Sixth Form Exam Success

Due to the changes in examinations that took place in both 2020 and 2021, the government chose not to report progress scores for schools in 2022. However, this week we received a report from Fischer Family Trust; an organisation that analyses, evaluates and benchmarks national school performance and assessment data at Key Stage 5.

This report showed that the results achieved by the students that took A Level exams last summer at Chellaston Academy, places us in the TOP THIRD of all KS5 providers in the country when measuring how much progress students make. This fantastic result is testimony to how hard our students work, and recognises the high quality of education that Key Stage 5 students receive here with us. We are incredibly proud of both our students and staff. Further details will be released to students next term.

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East Midland's Little Book of Travel tales

We'd like to say congratulations to one of our Year 8 students, Callia S as she is one of the winners for the East Midlands Airport's Little Book of Travel tales as part of a World Book Day competition. Her work will be featured in the book and we have earned a £50 book voucher to spend in our new library. We are proud of Callia and are looking forward to having copies of the book for students to enjoy.

Comic Relief - 17th March 2023

Our student leaders will be running a host of fundraising activities in a variety of locations during break and lunch so please ensure pupils have some small amounts of money with them should they wish to take part. We also have an electronic [just giving page](#) if you would like to contribute to the cause this way. We thank you in advance for any donations and understand that this may be more challenging to engage with than in previous years.

Coffee Morning - Friday 17th March

Our next parent coffee morning will be on 17th March from 9.15-10.45am. The focus of this will be for those parents who feel they are encountering barriers with their child's attendance at school. Our Family Support Worker and Wellbeing leads will be there so you can talk over any concerns and find out how to access further support for your child. This is a purely supportive event; an opportunity to be able to talk to other parents too and to share your experience and the difficulties you may be facing.

In order to get a rough idea of numbers (and ensure there is sufficient cake!) please email l.horvath@chellaston.derby.sch.uk if you are planning to drop in - Please do come and join us for a coffee and some cake!

Sport Fixtures Results

Fixture	Against	Score
Football – Year 7 boys	<u>Leesbrook School</u>	Won 4-3 after coming back from 3-2 down at half time
Netball – Year 7 girls	Tournament	Chellaston finished joint 4 th out of 6

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Other Sport News

Rugby - Mr Warren and members of the PE department took 29 Year 7 & 8 pupils to a Leicester Tigers coaching clinic including tickets to the Leicester Tigers V. Bath game last weekend. Leicester Tigers won 48-27 in an entertaining game and all students and staff thoroughly enjoyed the day!



Football - Sixteen Year 7 & 8 girls braced the weather this week to attend the #letgirlsplay football training session held by Mr Howard, Miss Davies and Miss Stavri at Chellaston Academy. Special mention to Grace C in Year 10 for helping to facilitate with coaching on the night.



Dance - Chellaston Academy's PE department put on a Dance show this week. It was due to be performed on Wednesday and Thursday, and Wednesday was a huge success. The snow unfortunately meant that Thursday's performance will need to be rescheduled. Mrs Dow would like to thank the audience for supporting us so far, and congratulate the dancers on a wonderful performance.

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Dates for your Diary

17th March - Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
17th March - Wellbeing coffee morning
22nd & 23rd March - Year 7 parents evening
27th - 31st March - Year 13 Mock Exams
29th March - Rewards Day
31st March - Break up for Easter Holidays
17th April - Return to School

Kind regards
Phil Smith

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Smith', is written over a large, faint circular watermark.

Proud Executive Headteacher
Chellaston Academy