

CHELLASTON ACADEMY

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Dear Members of the Chellaston Community,

Although the weather this week has been unpredictable, the education provision in school this week has been consistently hot and our values of Integrity, Care and Excellence are visible to all. As part of the Trust's ongoing Quality Assurance, we have had some more Deep Dives in SEND and Art. The outcomes of these have been outstanding. In addition, we have been welcoming more governors into school to immerse themselves in our culture and values. Again, the feedback has been very positive.

Student Survey

We have had an overwhelmingly positive response to our second student survey of the year. We are so proud of how our students are helping us to continually improve life at our academy with their honest and thoughtful feedback and our student council have also been instrumental in some of the changes we have made recently. Students can see on our screens many of the 'you said / we did' points and we will be meeting again next term to discuss how else we can work together to improve the student experience. We are particularly proud to note that:

92% of our pupils feel really listened to by teachers

97% of our students agree that we encourage them to stay safe

76% have taken part in an extra-curricular activity or charity event

97% believe we encourage students to respect other people's backgrounds and treat each other equally

95 % of pupils think we encourage them to show INTEGRITY CARE AND EXCELLENCE in all that we do

Refurbishment at Chellaston

What seems like many years ago, Chellaston was awarded a significant amount of money to refurbish parts of A Block. We are delighted to announce that this work will start in June this year and will hopefully be completed by Christmas 2023. We will send all parents a detailed plan as to what is being refurbished and in what time scale.

Dance Show

Last night we performed our final night of the Academy Dance Show. Students from year 7 to year 12 performed to a packed out audience and the atmosphere was great! We'd like to pass on our congratulations to the students and staff who danced.



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Easter school (Year 11)

A massive thank you to those parents/ carers who have filled out the Easter school interest form, the deadline for this is now over. The data has now been passed over to heads of subjects who will invite the students in for a bespoke timetable throughout the Easter break. The timetable will be with students before they break up for the Easter break.

Challenge 40 (Year 11)

During this week our year 11 students have been presented with the Challenge 40. This is an initiative to encourage students to complete 40 hours of independent study and revision. Every student in the year group has a Challenge 40 document to complete. Please note that the first 10 students to complete the 40 hours will receive a FREE prom ticket. If any student has already paid for their prom ticket and are in the top 10 their ticket will be refunded.

QA from Trust

Since the beginning of this academic year the academy has created a rigorous and robust Quality Assurance process (appreciative enquiry). We are incredibly proud of this because our philosophy is formulated through the eyes of every student and their experience at this academy. We use this information to develop, improve and support all student's needs to ensure that we build this academy from the ground up. This term alone every single department has had another departmental deep dive alongside several external deep dives by the Trust which has highlighted many key strengths and areas for development.

DEC Turkey & Syria Earthquake Fund

We are very proud of one of our sixth formers, Iyla, who held a bake sale with friends this week to raise money for DEC Turkey & Syria Earthquake fund. The amount raised from the bake sale was £81.20. Iyla's family and friends then doubled this donation to £162 and with gift aid added the grand total raised and donated was £202.50!

We'd also like to thank Iyla for creating an informative powerpoint about Ramadan this week too.

Rewards Day

Five days until our Rewards day on Wednesday 29th March. We are so excited to see all the students who have qualified take part in their chosen activities or trips.

Year 13 Mock Exams

Year 13 mock exams take place next week. All students have been given a personalised timetable. There is no study leave and lessons are running as normal alongside the exams. Results will be given back to students within departments; there will be no formal release date. Parents will be able to see these results on Go4schools as soon as they are released. The main purpose of these mocks, however, is to identify areas that students need to improve, rather than the grade achieved.

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Book Café

The Book Café was open today for Years 7, 8 & 9. They spent 500 ICE points to get one period of the day in the Book Café reading and discussing books over a hot chocolate and Easter treat.



End of Easter Term Reports

This Friday is the deadline for staff to submit their data for the Year 7-13 reports. Next week, all year groups will have a report generated on Go4Schools. There are 1800 reports to be created, so we are unsure on what days they will come out. You will receive an email when they are ready.

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When we return after Easter, all students will have an extended form time on the morning of Tuesday 18th April. They will all receive a printed copy of the report and have a discussion with their form tutor about their current progress. This report can then be taken home.

If anyone is struggling with access to Go4schools, please contact philipclarke@chellaston.derby.sch.uk and he will try and get you sorted.

Absence Reporting Process

We kindly ask that student absences for all year groups (Years 7 to 13) are reported for each day of absence by a parent/guardian by 9:00am using one of the following methods:

Email: attendance@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Telephone: 01332 702502 from 8.00am

You need to provide: **Your name, full name of student, form registration group and the reason for absence.**

If your child is absent and you do not contact school each day, you will receive a text message and a telephone call. If we are unable to make contact the school attendance officer may conduct a home visit.

All unexplained absences for your child will be recorded as unauthorised, so it is important that we have communication of the reason. This will also allow us to put support in place as needed.

Coffee Morning

It was lovely to see new faces at our Parent Coffee morning last Friday. Once again, parents and carers were able to speak to members of the school wellbeing team, and external agencies, to get some advice and support for their child. We will continue to develop our 'Coffee Morning offer', and really look forward to welcoming more of the community to the school in the near future!

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) – Easter Programme 2022/23

The Derby Holiday Activity and Food Programme provides free activities and meals during school holidays for families who are eligible for benefits-related to free school meals.

Families can find information about sessions across the city and book directly through the Derby HAF website – visit - www.derby.gov.uk/derbyhaf

Note: There is some additional funding available to support children who may not meet the free school meal eligibility but who may still benefit from the fun, food and friends. Places are subject to availability.

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Sports Fixture Results

Fixture	Against	Score
Year 7 girls football	St John Houghton School	10-0 win in semi-final of Derbyshire Cup!
Year 8 girls netball	Tournament - Woodlands	2 nd in the plate competition
Year 8 boys football	Tournament – John Port	Played 6 games, won four, drew one and lost one
Year 9 boys football	Tournament – John Port	Played 4 games, won three and drew one – didn't concede a single goal!
Year 9 girls netball	Tournament – Littleover School (Year 10 tournament)	Played 4 games, won one, Lost three
Year 11 boys football	Tournament – John Port	Played 7 games, won three, drew one and lost three

Dates for your Diary

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 below the typed name.

Proud Executive Headteacher
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