

## CHELLASTON ACADEMY

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Dear Members of the Chellaston Community,

We cannot believe that it is already the penultimate week of the year, but we are delighted to report that it has been another productive one. Please find a brief summary of some of the events that have taken place this week as well as some key notices/reminders.

### Appointments

We are delighted to announce the following internal appointments for next year.

- Mrs Leahy will be joining the Senior Leadership team as Assistant Headteacher for Teaching and Learning.
- Mr Roome has been successful in securing our 0.2 Head of Year role.
- Mrs Weaver has been successfully appointed as our Duke of Edinburgh manager.

In all of the interview processes we have been impressed with the passion, knowledge and excellence of the candidates.

### Teaching & Learning Showcase

This week all teaching staff had the opportunity to participate in "Talk for Teaching". This is when teachers go into other teachers' lessons and talk about the teaching and learning that is happening **while it happens**. In Talk for Teaching, teachers **reflect** with each other in the classroom in a nonjudgmental way. Teachers simply write a positive comment about the lesson before they leave. We have found that this continues to create an ever growing supportive and collaborative culture across our staff body. During the next academic year we'll be running Talk for Teaching once a term for all staff. This helps everyone reflect on their own practice and seek ways to further develop their pedagogical understanding.

### Amendment to Year 13 return to school - September 2023

5th September - Years 7 & 12 to return to school

6th September - All other year groups to return including Year 13

### Year 10 Mock Results

After an excellent Year 10 Mock Examination session, the students have been waiting feverishly for the results. All students were given an examination timetable, sat exams in the venues that they will be doing in 2024 and followed all exam protocols. To mirror the process as closely as possible, they received their exam results on Friday morning in a sealed envelope in the F Refectory. Students will spend some time reflecting upon their results and reports on the first day back in September. They will have to time to think about what they need to do in Year 11, to make the opening of the envelope in August 2024 as joyous an experience as possible.

### Summer Term reports

On Thursday July 20th, we should be releasing the end of year reports for Years 7,8,9,10 and 12. This will be digitally on Go4schools. On the first day back for each year group, during the extended form time, we will provide a printed version which students will go through with their form tutor. If anyone would like a printed copy before we break up, please email - [data@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:data@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)

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### Year 9 Safeguarding Workshop

This week, the whole of Year 9 received a workshop from the organisation "Safe and Sound". This explored issues around Consent and Child Sexual and Criminal Exploitation. The students were fantastic; they showed respect and care to our guests, and engaged excellently in the discussions and tasks. Well done Year 9!

### Careers Fair 2023

On Wednesday we welcomed over 25 different employers and education establishments into school for our Careers Fair (including some of our Alumni). Students in Year 10 and Year 12 had a fantastic time meeting and talking to the varied providers about their courses and employment opportunities. A huge thank you to all the staff who gave up their time to join us; the students found the event very useful and we have been blown away at the positive comments from students about the event.



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### Duke of Edinburgh - Gold Award

Five of our Y12 students embarked on their Gold practice expedition over the May half term with an outside agency. Whilst on their expedition, a lady from another group got stuck in a bog and dislocated her ankle in the valley below them. Our students acted immediately, sending 3 of them 600m up the valley to get signal to ring mountain rescue and the other 2 of them climbed down into the valley to help the lady. She was in and out of consciousness and they did a fantastic job performing first aid to keep the lady alert. The whole group joined together again to support the lady until mountain rescue arrived. We are so incredibly proud of these students and feel that they admirably demonstrated every single one of our school values.



In addition to Duke of Edinburgh Award news could you please make sure that any enquiries go to [dukeofedinburgh@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:dukeofedinburgh@chellaston.derby.sch.uk) - Many thanks.

### Scholastic Book Fair

The Book Fair is coming to Chellaston Academy! It will be arriving on Monday, 17th July and will be here until Thursday, 20th July. You can help make a difference. Every purchase earns our school rewards which the school can spend on free books for the library.

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### How does it work?

- Students can browse through the bookcases in the library at break and lunch time between Monday, 17th July to Wednesday, 19th July. They can then take home a "Wish List" of books they would like to purchase.
- At the bottom of the Wish List form are the instructions for paying online.
- Please ensure the Wish List is returned to school before the end of the book fair in order for your child to receive their chosen book(s) - this will be Rewards Day in time for the Summer Holidays.
- Book purchases must be made online as we won't be able to take cash payments.

A wish list is attached at the bottom of this email.

### Play in a Day workshop

On Wednesday, Mrs Jackson & Mrs Owusu took a group of KS3 students to St Wilfrid's Church to work alongside the professional company Chorus Theatre. The students created audio dramas of their own and also one about the Black Death. They learned about the history of St Wilfrid's Church, using the information as a stimulus in their audio drama. These were recorded in the afternoon. Chorus Theatre commented on how the students were independent, creative and excellent in their conduct over the course of the day - they would like to work with the students again! The students were real ambassadors for our school. The process was absolutely amazing, the students really enjoyed themselves and we can't wait to share the final result with you in the first half term back at a special presentation.

### Year 8 Immunisations

The immunisation team will attend school next Wednesday to vaccinate Year 8 students with the Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV vaccine).

Please visit <https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/HPV> to complete the consent form. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete this even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

School name: Chellaston Academy

School code: DC136360

Date in school: 19th July 2023

For more information about the vaccination please visit our website:

<https://www.derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk/our-services/5-10-years/school-age-immunisations>

If you wish to discuss or would like any support to complete the form, please contact the School Age Immunisation Team.

Repton: 01283 707178

Clay Cross: 01246 252953

[DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net](mailto:DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net)



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### Astronomy Talks

We had some great visits from Derby and District Astronomy Society, over 2 days last week, to give talks on aspects of Astronomy and using telescopes. A selection of year 7 and 8, Triple Science year 10 and A level Physics student all attended the interactive talks. Students got the chance to get hands on experience with a range of telescopes, meteorites and a detailed scale model of the moon signed by Nasa astronauts! Unfortunately, the cloud cover mean that only the year 12s got to see the surface of the Sun through the Solar scopes that were brought in.

The society are offering the chance for Chellaston students and parents to go along and use their telescopes to view the night sky. They suggest you contact the society secretary using the 'contact us' section of the website <http://www.derbyastronomy.org/> to arrange your visit.



### Rewards day- Thursday 20th July

Our final rewards day of this year, The ICE Festival, is taking place on Thursday 20th July. All the positive points students have been collecting this year will be available to spend on activities and food. Students who qualify can wear their own clothes but will still require their lanyard. There are a range of activities available, including an Army assault course, hook a duck, petting zoo and bubble football to name a few. All students will receive more information prior to the event. We can't wait to celebrate all the achievements of the students this year and create long lasting, unforgettable memories!

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### Lost Property

Several items of lost property are kept outside student services, please ask your student to check if they have lost something. Any unnamed school uniform will be recycled within school at the end of term, all other items will be sent to local charity shops.



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## Water Safety Poster from Royal Life Saving Society UK



**Every year 402 UK and Irish citizens are lost to drowning.**

We are the charity that enhances communities, so everyone can enjoy being in, on or near water safely, because every life is worth saving.

**Every day we give children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water safely, through:**



Engagement, education and campaigns



Investing in local community projects



Training lifesavers and lifeguards

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Enjoy Water Safely



## **ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE**

Whenever you are around water:

### **STOP AND THINK**

Take time to assess your surroundings.  
Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.

### **STAY TOGETHER**

When around water always go with friends or family.  
Swim at a lifeguarded venue.

In an emergency:

### **CALL 999**

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland and the Coastguard if at the coast. Don't enter the water to rescue.

### **FLOAT**

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help.  
Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



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Learn basic lifesaving and CPR skills.  
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### City Sports Event

We had a large number of students from Years 7-10 represent Chellaston Academy at City sports on Wednesday. We had so many students who came top 3 in their events, and all of our athletes did us so proud and really did demonstrate Integrity, Care and Excellence throughout the day - They were all amazing! The final results will be released next week. Congratulations to all of you!

### Sports Day Results

The results are in!

For the Whole School the results are as follows -

1st place - **SPAIN** - 1082 points  
2nd place - Australia - 1080 points  
3rd place - Brazil - 1077 points  
4th place - Portugal - 1040 points  
5th place - Argentina - 925 points  
6th place - Germany - 908 points

### Dates for your Diary

18th July - Summer Music Concert - 6-8.30pm (doors open at 5.30pm)  
19th July - Year 8 HPV vaccinations  
20th July - Rewards Day  
21st July - End of Summer term at 11.30am  
5th September 2023 - School open to Years 7 & 12 only  
6th September 2023 - School open to **ALL** students

Kind regards

Phil Smith

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Smith', is written in a cursive style.

Proud Executive Headteacher  
Chellaston Academy