

# CHELLASTON ACADEMY

Swarkestone Road, Chellaston, Derby, DE73 5UB  
Tel: 01332 702 502 Email: [contactus@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:contactus@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)  
Web: [www.chellaston.derby.sch.uk](http://www.chellaston.derby.sch.uk)  
Proud Headteacher: Mr P Smith



Dear members of the Chellaston Academy community,

Although this half term has been and gone in the blink of an eye, it has been a productive one where Integrity, Care, and Excellence has been of the highest order.

We have been delighted with comments and feedback from a range of external visitors, all of whom, have commented upon the vibrant and focused learning climate around our academy. Our Year 11 and 13 students have been tremendous with their preparations and commitment to their external exams, and we wish them all the best for the remaining exams after half term.

We hope that you all have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing all of our fabulous students on Monday 3rd June 2024.

## Staying Safe

We want all our students to have a wonderful, and safe, half term.

## Online Safety

Assemblies this week have explored Online Safety, equipping students with the knowledge and skills to make good choices on social media and in response to contact from others. Some websites and tools that you may find useful in supporting your child are:

Internet Matters - advice for parents/carers - <https://www.internetmatters.org/>

'Report, Remove Tool' - NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-reporting/report-remove/>

Online Sexual Abuse - CEOP - <https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

Online Safety Advice for Parents/Carers - <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

Child-friendly search engine - <https://swiggle.org.uk/>

## Water Safety

The rise in temperatures can mean people are tempted to cool off in rivers, lakes and reservoirs, especially if they see their friends doing so. Unfortunately, this decision can end in tragedy as there are many unseen dangers in the water, and even on a hot day submersion can result in cold water shock.

Please follow our advice to stay safe around open water:

- DO NOT be tempted to swim in open water
- If you see someone in trouble, DO NOT enter the water to try and help, call 999 and ask for the fire service
- If you find yourself in trouble in the water, remember, lean back and **FLOAT TO LIVE**

## Year 8 Parents' Evening

Last night, 1537 appointments were booked between parents and teaching staff. The appointments were held remotely, with some staff in school and some at home.

**Year 7 Parents' Evening & early closure Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup>**

This sounds quite a long way away, but it's only the second week back! Bookings for this will open on Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Unlike the Y8 Parents' Evening, this will be face-to-face. School will close at 13:20 and the school will revert back to period 4 being at 12:20 so that only one lesson is lost. More details about the evening will be sent to Y7 parents.

**Year 10 Mock Examinations (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June)**

As we go into half term, we are halfway through the Y11 GCSE exams, with seven out of the fourteen core examinations completed. Although there are a few GCSE exams after Friday June 14<sup>th</sup>, a large number of Year 11 will have completed their exams. As soon as their exams start to peter out, we use the same facilities and staffing to start the Year 10 Mock Examinations.

These are done as closely to the real thing as possible. We set up these venues three times before the real thing, to help reduce anxiety with students undertaking exams. All students will receive an individual exam timetable on the first day back.

Students who are doing Art and Photography will also do a five-hour practical day off-timetable. (The photography couldn't be fitted into the main two week block).

Below is a summary of the exams that will be taking place.

Date	Start	Length	Title	Cand.
Wed 12 Jun	08:45	05:00	Photography Practical Day	28
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	01:45	English Language	300
Mon 17 Jun	13:00	01:45	Physics (1hr 15min or 1Hr 45min)	296
Tue 18 Jun	13:00	00:45	Maths Paper 1	297
Wed 19 Jun	08:45	05:00	Art: Artistic Connection Peactical Day	88
Wed 19 Jun	13:00	01:30	Computing - Computer Systems	38
Thu 20 Jun	08:45	01:45	Philosophy Option Thematic Studies	20
Thu 20 Jun	08:45	00:48	RS (short course) Thematic Studies	275
Fri 21 Jun	08:45	01:15	Drama - Theatre Makers in Practice	9
Fri 21 Jun	08:45	01:15	History - Medicine in Britain	126
Fri 21 Jun	11:00	00:45	Spanish Listening (45mins or 35mins)	64
Fri 21 Jun	13:00	01:30	Geography Mix of P1 & P2	102
Mon 24 Jun	08:45	01:45	Chemistry (1hr 15min or 1hr 45min)	296
Mon 24 Jun	13:00	01:00	Spanish Reading (1hr or 45mins)	64
Mon 24 Jun	13:00	01:00	French Reading (1hr or 45mins)	55
Tue 25 Jun	08:45	01:45	English Lit Shakespeare & 19th Century novel	300
Tue 25 Jun	13:00	01:00	PE Paper 1 Physical Factors affecting performance	51
Tue 25 Jun	13:00	01:45	Food Prep & Nutrition	17
Tue 25 Jun	13:00	01:00	IMedia - Visual Identity & Digiart Graphics	11
Wed 26 Jun	08:45	01:00	Music - Comp 3 - Appraising	15
Wed 26 Jun	08:45	01:45	Sociology P1 Families & Education	40
Wed 26 Jun	08:45	01:00	PE Paper 2 Socio - cultural issues	51
Wed 26 Jun	13:00	00:45	Maths Paper 2	297
Thu 27 Jun	08:45	01:45	Biology Paper 1 (1Hr 45 or 1Hr 15mins)	296
Thu 27 Jun	13:00	01:00	Spanish Writing (1hr or 45mins)	64
Thu 27 Jun	13:00	01:00	French Writing (1hr or 45 mins)	55
Fri 28 Jun	08:45	01:20	History - The USA	126
Fri 28 Jun	08:45	01:00	GCE PE Socio-cultural issues	10
Fri 28 Jun	11:00	00:45	French Listening (35 mins or 45mins)	55
Fri 28 Jun	13:00	02:00	Design & Technology Paper 1	39
Fri 28 Jun	13:00	01:45	Business - P1 Influences of operations/ HRM on bus	72

### Year 10 Sexual Health Workshop

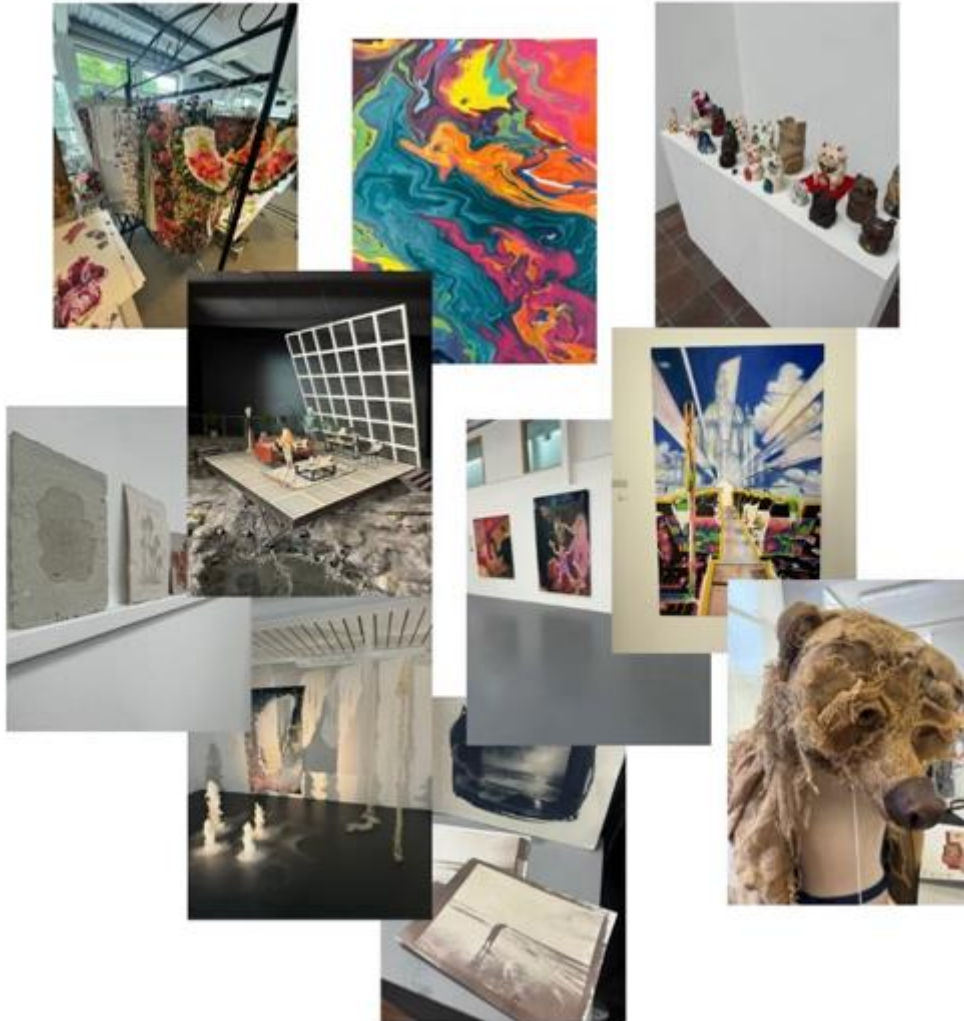
As an extension to our RSE offer here at Chellaston, half of our Year 10 cohort attended a really informative session on sexual health on Wednesday and had the opportunity to meet the school nurse and health team and to ask any questions they might have. The outreach team from the NHS talked pupils through their local services and offered lots of great advice for the future. The novelty of some glow in the dark keyrings went down really well too! The other half of the year will attend this on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Mental Health Workshop - Tough to Talk**

This week we've been fortunate enough to have Steve Whittle from Tough to Talk in school for a workshop with some of our Year 10 boys. The session shone a light on the difficulties many young men and boys can face regarding their mental health. The workshop was well received by those involved and a huge thanks to Tough to Talk for their time.

### **Nottingham Trent University Trip**

Our Year 12 students visited Nottingham Trent University this week and got to see some amazing degree show work! This is not only inspirational but an important part of what Chellaston Academy does to support our students in looking ahead to their next steps. #NTUGradFest @ntuart



Please follow us on our Instagram page - [chellastonacademyart](https://www.instagram.com/chellastonacademyart)

### **Girls Cricket - Derbyshire Chance to Shine**

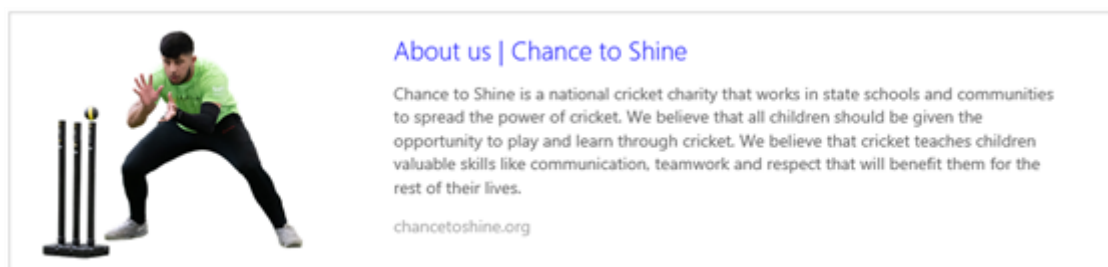
For six weeks Starting on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 3-4pm, Derbyshire Cricket Foundation, will be delivering the Chance to Shine programme, providing opportunities for your daughter to engage with high-quality coaching, with an emphasis on creating opportunities to continue playing at school, in clubs or in the community.

As well as the physical benefits of regular activity, the Chance to Shine programme also teaches important life skills that will support your child beyond the playground. Through the values of cricket, children learn about respect and fair play and the programme helps them to develop communication and leadership skills that will benefit them throughout their life.

If your child is interested, please get in touch with Mrs. Causer, no special equipment is required all will be provided, we want as many girls as possible to experience cricket in a supportive environment. Further information can be found on the links below.

<https://dcfcricket.com/chance-to-shine/>

<https://chancetoshine.org/about-us/>



### **Boys Cricket**

Finally, a reminder that hardball cricket with Mr. Howard takes place Friday afterschool, open to all ages and abilities.

### **Dates for your diary**

24th May - Break up for half term

3rd June - Return to school

7th June - Last full day for Year 11 students

13th June - Year 7 - Face to Face parents evening - **school to close early at 1.20pm**

17th - 28th June - Year 10 Mock Exams

19th June - Year 8 HPV immunisations - all day

24th June - Year 11/12 transition day

19th July - End of Summer Term - **school to close at 11.30am**

Kind regards



Phil Smith

Proud Headteacher

Chellaston Academy

"Inspiring each other to realise our potential through Integrity, Care and Excellence"