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Dear members of the Chellaston Academy community,



It has been lovely to have our academy at nearly full capacity this week. The three transition days for our new year 7s have been a tremendous success and it was also lovely to see over 500 parents attend the transition evening on Thursday night. There have been many other memorable experiences provided for our young people this week; please enjoy our weekly newsletter.

Rewards Day - Summer ICE Festival

We are very excited about our Summer ICE Festival which is just **13 days away!!** Do you still qualify for the 95% positive behaviour ratio? Students can still qualify and build up their ICE points by litter picking after school or helping during lunchtimes!

ECT Report - Quality Assurance Visit

On Tuesday 18th June Chellaston Academy had a Quality Assurance Visit by the Director of George Spencer Trust regarding the appropriate body for our Early Career Teacher provision. This was an opportunity to showcase our provision and support that we give to Early Career Teachers. The report highlights that we provide a supportive and collaborative network for all ECTs and mentors so that they can build confidence and grow together with their career. We are especially proud of the fact that our resources and guidance will be shared with other schools as a sign of good practice. Please see the quote from the report.

"One mentor, who was new to Chellaston Academy part way through the academic year found the transition into mentoring seamless due to his ongoing support and communication".

Year 6 Transition Day

We have had a fantastic 3 days with Year 6 students joining us for transition. Over the days the Year 6 students enjoyed a variety of lessons, experienced food from the Dref and had the opportunity to earn ICE points which culminated in students winning points and going into a prize draw. When we said goodbye to them on Thursday, there were lots of smiling faces and tired legs. We can't wait for them to join us in September.



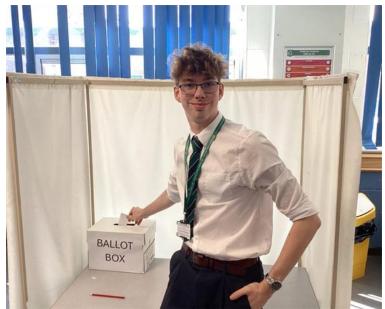




Mock General Election

We had an exceptionally wonderful day yesterday when 1145 pupils voted in our mock election. We've opened discussions about what it means to vote, how policy has an impact on young people and also explained what was happening throughout the process of a General Election. Five wonderful Politics students stood as candidates for five of the most popular parties locally, and took on the roles campaigning and presenting their key policies. Our student body has engaged through form times, assemblies and information walls across the academy in order to make an informed choice, or choice not to vote at all. Our results did in fact echo the local and National picture in many ways with Labour receiving the highest overall number of votes. Students have had the results fed back this morning in detail and discussed and reflected upon how their own opinions have been shaped and developed. It was an amazing day to celebrate the mature approach our pupils have towards important events and to be immensely proud of how engaged they are with the world around them.









Industrial Action

Please follow the link to the Industrial Action letter Mr Smith sent to the community this week <u>Strike Action Letter</u>. At this point in time, the industrial action is still going ahead and details of how to access our online learning platform will be sent out on Monday.

HAF - Holiday Activities & Food Programme

Lots of activities are NOW OPEN for students over the holidays who qualify for free school meals - please see link below to book.

https://schoolsportal.derby.gov.uk/schools-circular/wsc-archive/june-21-463/haf-programme-bookings-now-open/



Message from DF4TA - Derby Food 4 Thought - Uniform donations

Last year we helped over 660 local children with free school uniform, we are looking to do this again this year but already know the numbers will be higher.

We are appealing for donations of pre-loved school uniform to help us do this.

We will be working in partnership with Derbion and the main donation point will be in **Derbion**, outside Sainsbury's, opening from the 1st July (while the centre is open)

You may also make donations at your local family hubs centre at

- Beckett Family Hub 35 Stockbrook Street, Derby, DE22 3WR Mon-Wed
- Derwent Family Hub Monmouth Street, Derby, DE21 6BD Mon-Wed
- Osmaston Allenton Family Hub 60 Cockayne Street North, Derby, DE24 8XB Mon-Wed
- Mackworth Morley Family Hub Reigate Primary School, Reigate Drive, Mackworth, Derby, DE22 4EQ Mon-Wed

Please can we ask that donations of uniform be in good clean condition.

If you wish to donate new school uniform, we would be grateful, if you wish to make a monetary donation please head to our website, using **reference School2024**, with a donation of £15 this would help us buy new uniform to put into our shop, please don't forget to gift aid as well.

https://www.derbyfood4thoughtalliance.org.uk/donate

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer or require more info, please get in touch via email at info@df4ta.com or call us at the community hub on 01332 3461266.

There will be more information to follow on how people can access support, please bear with while we put the finishing touches to the project.



Presentation Pride Award

This week's Presentation Pride Award was awarded to Jayne in Year 7 by the English Department - Well done Jayne!



Sports News

Girls Cricket - Chance to Compete Regional Finals

On Monday, Mrs Causer and Mrs Grimwood took a group of students to the 'Girls Chance to Compete Regional Finals' as part of the Chance to shine programme at Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club. This was a fantastic opportunity for our students to play on the same ground as cricketing legends.

Chellaston won their first game against Soar Valley College, narrowly beaten by Spalding Academy and won their final group game against Outwood Academy Valley to reach the runner-up final. Despite some excellent cricket, Chellaston were beaten in the final. All games were umpired by Blaze players, one of which was a former Chellaston Academy student Lara Shaw (pictured below), it was lovely for our students to see the positive impact cricket can have and we wish Lara all the best for her cricketing career.





Rounders City Tournament

We were delighted to host the Rounders City Tournament on Thursday night. The Year 7 girls were crowned the champions for Summer 2024!!



Athletics Competion - West Park School

37 students went to West Park School on Wednesday after school for an athletics competition competing in a range of field and track events, here are some of the top scoring athletes from Chellaston Academy!

- Ffion 1st in the 100m
- Evie H & Harley 2nd place in the 100m
- Ffion & Jess W 2nd in the 800m
- Connie 1st in the 1500m
- Year 7 girls relay team 2nd
- Evie H 1st in the long jump

- Tom O 1st in the long jump
- Dylan K 2nd in the long jump
- Adwoa 1st in shot put
- Emily K 1st in the javelin
- Harry C 2nd in the javelin

Chello Sports Day - 8th July

We are really looking forward to celebrating our "Chello Sports Day" on Monday 8th July! Those competing need to come to school in PE kit and those spectating need to support their teams by accessorising in the following colours -

Sharks - Blue Bulls - Red Gators - Green Tigers - Orange Wolves - Grey Vipers - Yellow

Dates for your diary

8th July - Chello Sports Day 18th July - ICE Festival 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"