

NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th December - Year 7 Pride Assembly - 9:30 to 10:30am & 1:45pm to 2:45pm
Tuesday 13th December - Year 7 Disco - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
Wednesday 14th December - Year 8 Pride Assembly - 9:30 to 10:30am & 1:45pm to 2:45pm
Thursday 15th December - Year 7 & 8 Pantomime - from 8:55am
Thursday 15th December - Year 8 Disco - 5:30pm to 8:30pm

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I am always really proud of the service and thoughtfulness of our students to our local community

This week our wonderful P16 students took hundreds of food donations to Coventry Food Bank as part of the service in the community projects, ran by the school council. This has also been a major part of the Year 9 and 10 tutor curriculum as so many donated to the Samaritan Shoe Box Appeal.

Thinking of kindness and others is such an important theme in our tutor curriculum.

Congratulations to our amazing mathematicians on their recent win - it all sounds very challenging to me! I am also looking forward to seeing our students celebrate their identity and community on our Cultural Clothes day next Thursday. It is always wonderful to see the rich diversity of our school - it's what makes us special.

Wishing you all a great weekend,

Ms Rooke, Headteacher

SAMARITANS

Students Help Out with the Samaritans Shoe Box Appeal

Year 9 and 10 students decorated shoe boxes and took them to dedicated centre to support the Samaritans Shoe Box appeal.

When they arrived, they checked shoe boxes that were packed with various items. Next, they had to label the boxes, boy or girl, dependant on the contents. Another group packed the larger boxes and had to label and number how many boxes there

were. Students had to quality assure everything that was being sent to children who were less fortunate that would receive a gift box for Christmas.

A lorry went to Bosnia the previous day and another one was due to go out to families in Ukraine.

The students worked hard and enjoyed the experience and would definitely do this again.

Miss Kirkam and Ms Sandhar













Students involved with this campaign were:

Andrew Hallam Mansoor Bamzir Aiden Wilkins Emily Ward Ameiligh Greenwwok Tori Cook

Oliver Watkins-Webb Tyley Smith

Macey Borowski Kayn Richards Leah Cook Josh Smith Abit Biju











UK Mathematics Trust Senior Challenge

Congratulations are in order for several Year 12 and 13 A-Level Maths students who have won awards in the *UK Mathematics Trust Senior Challenge*. This is a national competition designed to test students mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using mathematical techniques to solve challenging problems. Winners of the Bronze award are Alina Pirlea, Panashe Ngwerume, Roberto Radulescu, Grace Moongo, Karthiheyen Jeyanthan, Cem Gurleyen,

Oliver Capewell, Vithushan Jeyakanthan, and Yadunanthan Ravikanthan. Winners of the Silver award are Alishba Nasar, Connor Hoyle, Mckenzie Quist and Aymaan Sajid. Finally, winners of the Gold award are: Eren Geridonmez and Ismail Rafique! Congratulations to all students who took part as this will really help their mathematical problems solving.

Mr Hodson, Teacher of Maths



Christmas Jumper/Cultural Clothes Day

On Thursday 15th December students are invited to come into school in their traditional dress or to wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform and bring in £1 for charity.

All monies raised will go to support Zoe's Place Baby Hospice in Coventry. Students will be given guidance about what is appropriate wear.





Year 7 Football Team On Good Form!



Congratulations to the Year 7 football team who continued their recent good form with a 2-0 victory over Blue Coat School on Monday night. President Kennedy School kept possession of the ball excellently throughout the game and created several chances against a good opposition.

Next game is Thursday 15th December vs Wiseman in the Coventry Cup.

Mr Garlick, P.E Department

Movie Night at President Kennedy School

On the evening of the 7th of December, Year 7 students were invited to attend a Christmas Movie night in the main hall. Students watched the timeless 'Home Alone' movie from 1990 accompanied by their friends, and some sweet and salted popcorn!

We had a great turnout despite it being a cold wintery evening and the kids all had a blast watching the movie and laughing along the way. A special thank you to Mrs Arnett for supporting, and to Esme Cooksey and Eden Brown who offered to help clear up any rubbish after the event and displayed their wonderful student leadership qualities





Miss Tovey, Teacher of English







Post 16 students Providing Emergency Food to People in Crisis

Post 16 students have donated 111 kg of food to the Coventry Food Bank as part of the school's commitment to helping people in the local community

"The foodbank was there when we really needed it, it was an absolute lifeline." A food bank recipient

The Coventry Food Banks does not think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why they

provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis. The Coventry Food Bank is part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.

"I went to the Halo Centre to donate the Post 16 food collection. It was such a rewarding experience, seeing how the food is sorted and talking to the staff" Imogen Lloyd

Mrs Petrak, Leader of Enterprise





Tips on Social Media...

Guide to Monitoring apps

With children accessing the internet on a range of devices, the job of protecting them from things they may not be ready for online can be a challenge.

In recent years, a wide variety of monitoring software solutions have appeared to allow you to see what children are doing online and set digital boundaries.

With the help of Pocket-lint's Andy Robertson, here are some tips on how best to use them and reviewed the top apps available.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hdl1aGBJbs0&t=1s

Congestion Concerns

As you will be aware, the school has only a single entrance / exit on Rookery Lane. This does mean that Rookery Lane and Gospel Oak Road regularly become very congested between 3pm and 3.15pm as many parents arrive in cars to collect students from school.

Local residents have raised with me that on many occasions recently this has resulted in driveways being blocked and/or damage occurring to their vehicles as parent cars temporarily park on roads/pavements waiting to collect students. With only one entrance we are unable to operate a system where parents come into the car park to collect students. Traffic congestion also leads to a very crowded and potentially dangerous end to the school day which requires considerable supervision from school staff. We will, of course, continue to do this so that we can ensure students remain safe while leaving school. That said, this would be a lot easier to do if the parked traffic was significantly reduced.

Could I respectfully request that you only park close to the school to pick up your child if it is absolutely necessary or if you are collecting students with a disability so that we can continue to enjoy a respectful and productive relationship with our neighbours.

Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

S Rooke

Acting Headteacher





