



## Chellaston Academy Newsletter

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019

### Welcome back edition

#### Message from the CEO PEAK Multi Academy Trust

As our PEAK Multi Academy Trust journey continues, I wanted to welcome staff and students back to the Academy under the leadership of Cara Walker as the new Head of School. I look forward to working with Cara and the Academy team as we move forward into the academic year as a Multi Academy Trust. The PEAK Trust will still be based within Chellaston Academy and as I have already communicated with students during their assemblies this week, I am still here and expect them to continue to uphold the Academy values and standards under the new leadership structure. We look forward to your continuing support within the Chellaston family of schools.

Kevin Gaiderman

## Message from the Head of School

We are delighted to welcome our students back to the Academy this week and we extend a warm welcome to our new Year 7 cohort, along with students new to Year 12. The week has focused on settling students into the new term and assemblies have been led across all year groups in school to remind, or indeed introduce students to, our Academy values of Learning, Excellence and Integrity. We have spoken with all students about our expectations, as highlighted in our Academy Home/School agreement and 6th Form contract and we have signposted pastoral links and the support available to students, which is explained further on in our newsletter by Mrs Horvath.

We look forward to welcoming you into the Academy for our numerous events and activities throughout the year.

Cara Walker



## New staff!

We are so excited to welcome our new staff to the Academy, and introduce them to you:

- Mr King – Economics and Business Studies
- Mr Sharp - English
- Miss Furness - Maths
- Mr Tudor - Maths
- Mr Walmsley - Maths
- Mrs Newman – Science
- Mr Noake - English
- Mrs Tivey – Art
- Miss Christie – Computing
- Mr Home – Geography
- Mrs Lloyd – Maths
- Mr Darling – English
- Miss Bentley – History
- Miss Cowling – Art
- Miss Benn – Psychology
- Miss Hendley – Art
- Ms Ashraf – Science
- Mrs Barlow – Science





## Safeguarding Spotlight



Mrs L Horvath  
Designated Safeguarding Lead  
[laurasmith@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:laurasmith@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)



Mrs D Burdis  
Deputy DSL  
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Mr T Barker  
Deputy DSL  
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We hope that all of our students had a relaxing and safe summer holiday, and we are so pleased to see them back and ready for the new year!

Each week this section will be used to update you on any Safeguarding or general Wellbeing messages from the school, as well as some updates on what our students have been learning about to keep them safe.

You can always find support and links to sources of advice and guidance on the 'Safeguarding' tab of the Academy website; there are both Parent and Student sections. This also has the contact information for relevant staff.

The first port of call for any wellbeing concerns should always be your child's form tutor; they will be able to assess the situation and refer onwards through the appropriate pathway.

Please also see our Student Support guide which contains a list of useful websites.

Our students' safety and emotional wellbeing is our highest priority; please never hesitate to get in touch if there is anything you are worried about.

The Safeguarding Team.



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Everybody  
Everyday*



# Chellaston Academy

Learning

Excellence

Integrity

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## Student Support Guide

This guide explains what you should do if you feel worried about something and how to raise concerns about yourself or others. **Firstly, tell someone. You can talk to or e-mail:**

Your Form Tutor or a Mentor

Your Student Progress Leader

Mrs Burdis, as your Student Services Manager (in The Hub)

Mrs Horvath, as your Designated Safeguarding Lead and Child Protection Officer

Any other members of staff you know, your parents/carers, or another trusted adult

**There may be times when you feel you cannot talk to a member of staff. Consider:**

Zumos: advice and links to support from other websites on lots of issues as well as the anonymous 'Speak Out' tool for voicing concerns [www.zumos.co.uk](http://www.zumos.co.uk)

Child Line: **0800 1111 (FREEPHONE )**

Kooth: Online Counselling [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

Frank: National Drugs Helpline **0300 123 6600** or text **82111** [www.talktofrank.com](http://www.talktofrank.com)

Victim Support line: support after a crime **0845 3030900**

Samaritans: 24 hour emotional support **116 123** [www.samaritans.org](http://www.samaritans.org)

NHS Choices: medical concerns **111**

Brook Services: relationship and sexual health advice [www.brook.org.uk](http://www.brook.org.uk)

Runaways: if you are thinking of leaving home **116 000** [www.runawayhelpline.org.uk](http://www.runawayhelpline.org.uk)

Face up to it: Consent, relationships, and exploitation [www.faceup2it.org](http://www.faceup2it.org)

Mind: advice for Mental Health **0300 123 3393** or text **86463** [www.mind.org.uk](http://www.mind.org.uk)

**Don't suffer in silence.**

These details and more updates can be found on the Safeguarding section of the school website.



## Chellaston Academy Newsletter





## Reporting dates this half term

KS3	KS4	KS5
w/c 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct - Year 9		w/c 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct - Year 13



### Reporting Absence / Request to Leave School

We kindly ask that **ALL** student absences must be reported for **EACH DAY** by a parent/carer and by **9:00am** using one of the following methods:

**Telephone: 01332 702502 option 1 (24-hour Absence Line Answerphone)**

**Email: [attendance@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)** (this replaces the previous reporting email address)

This allows all details to be correct and up to date and to ensure that your child is not assumed **missing**.

**Please note, that if we have not heard from parents regarding an absence that continues into a second day, this poses a safeguarding risk as we cannot account for the safety of a child. We may ask our EWO (Educational Welfare Officer) to do a home visit or take other action.**

If a student needs to leave school during the day for an appointment etc. a medical appointment card/letter or note in the handbook should be shown to the form tutor during form time, preferably no later than the previous day, whereby a pink signing out slip will be authorised and issued to allow the student to leave the class, and to sign out at Reception at the time requested.

We can only allow a student to be taken out of school for an emergency appointment by a named contact that we currently hold on our records. In an emergency where a third party is asked to collect a student, we need to be able to verify the identity and authority of this person by contacting you directly. We are not able to simply accept the word of a person not on our records. We advise that arrangements are made in advance by the parent/carer with the school.

**We should be able to get in touch with you at any point in the school day, either by your personal phone number or your work number. For this reason, please ensure all contact details and contact numbers are correct and updated regularly**



# Notices

## KS5 Biology CGP Revision Guides and Books

CGP provide a range of revision guides, exam practice books and textbooks that are matched to the OCR specification for the Biology A Level course. As a school, we are able to purchase these at a large discount for our students. Books can be purchased through Wisepay until Friday 27th September and will be available to students in the first week of October.

A Level Biology Essential Maths Skills £3.75

Biology Year 1 and 2 Revision Guide and Practice Book £10.00

Biology Year 1 and 2 Exam Practice Workbook (with answers) £6.00

Saver Bundle - Biology Year 1 and 2 Revision Guide and Practice Book and Exam Practice Workbook £14.00

Saver Bundle – Biology Year 1 and 2 CGP Textbooks £18.00

Please note the CGP textbook is not the compulsory textbook to be purchased for the course, but is an additional resource, that students may find useful.

Any queries, please see Miss Messom, Subject Leader for Biology.

Can parents please remind students that use **Epi pens**, that they need to carry one on them all the time.

And that a spare should be kept in the fridge in the medical room for emergency use only.

## Key Stage 5 Information Evening

As we welcome our year 12 students into Chellaston Academy Sixth Form whilst welcoming our year 13 students back, we would like to invite parents to a Key Stage 5 information evening on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 18:00-19:00. During this meeting we will introduce you to our vision for the year ahead and lead you through strategies and developments which will help support your child towards achieving great things within our academy. We very much look forward to meeting and working with parents this year; however if you are unable to attend this event, we will provide supporting information available to all parents on our website directly after the event.

**The Sixth Form Team**

## Duke of Edinburgh

**Bronze DofE:** The deadline for Bronze DofE applications was set to be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September. I will be giving students the weekend (of 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> September) to get any last bits finished off and the deadline will now be Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. There is a parents information evening on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September in the Main Hall at 6.00pm.

**Silver DofE:** I will be speaking with students in year 10 about getting involved in Silver DofE. With the huge success of Bronze we are looking forward to having lots of students on board.

**Gold DofE:** I will also be speaking with year 12 students regarding Gold DofE and how they can sign up. Once again we are very keen for lots of students to get involved.



# Notices

## KS4 Maths revision guides

Revision guides are all available on Wisepay. The deadline to book will be **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September**. They then should arrive in October.

GCSE Higher revision guide - £2.85  
 GCSE Foundation revision guide £2.85  
 GCSE Higher workbook £2.85  
 GCSE higher workbook answers £1  
 GCSE Foundation workbook £2.85  
 GCSE Foundation workbook answers £1

## Year 11 only

GCSE Higher Practice papers £2.85  
 GCSE Foundation Practice papers £2.85

**Miss L Roberts**  
**KS4 Coordinator- Maths**

## KS4 Maths club

KS4 maths club will run on Tuesday after school from 3:10- 4:15pm in D6. This is for anyone who wants help with revision or homework.

**Miss L Roberts**  
**KS4 Coordinator- Maths**

## Year 9 Maths Assessment

The first Year 9 assessment will be on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September. The papers will be 50 minutes long. Pupils will need a pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, sharpener, calculator. Group 3 Students will also need a protractor. Revision material is available on firefly. For further guidance please speak to your maths teacher.

## Maths Calculators and Maths Kits

These are now available to purchase on Wisepay. The deadline to order will be **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October**.

**Mrs Siddons**  
**Subject Leader- Maths**

## KS4 Monday Maths Seminars- Half term 1

Maths seminars will be available for all KS4 Students. This will run on Mondays in D6. Attached are the topics being discussed each week.

**Miss L Roberts**  
**KS4 Coordinator- Maths**

Date	Tier	Topic
16/09/2019	H/F	Problems involving ratio Part 1
23/09/2019	H	Problem involving ratio Part 2
30/09/2019	H/F	Standard Form Converting
07/10/2019	H/F	Adding and Subtracting Mixed numbers
14/10/2019	H	Simplifying Indices
21/10/2019	H/F	Direct and inverse proportion



# Notices

## Important Message Regarding Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

You may be aware there have been some changes to free school meal (FSM) legislation relating to income threshold for eligibility purposes and the roll out of the Universal Credit. To ensure that no pupil loses a meal as a result of these changes the Department for Education has put in place the following transitional protections:

- any claimant who is in receipt of free school meals on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 should continue to receive free school meals until at least summer 2023 even if their circumstances change and they would no longer meet the eligibility criteria
- any claimant who gains eligibility for free school meals from 1 April 2018 will continue to receive free school meals until at least summer 2023 even if their circumstances change and they would no longer meet the eligibility criteria

If your child is not currently claiming a FSM and you wish to check your eligibility please use this link <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict> or ring the Academy and we can help you with the checking process.

If your child is currently claiming a FSM, because of the changes above, there is no longer a need for you to check your eligibility as your child will continue to receive a FSM until at least summer 2023 regardless of how your circumstances change.

Every application, even if you do not wish to claim the Free School Meal, could help the school secure additional funding called The Pupil Premium.

Lara Giles

**Raising Standards Leader**

**Specialist Leader of Education**

## Review of Marking

Please note the deadline for any GCSE or A-level reviews is **WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019**.

**ALL** paperwork needs to be emailed to [colettejones@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:colettejones@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)

Any received after this **date cannot be processed**. Please ensure payment and consents are sent through.

Thank you for your support.

## Year 11 Launch Evening

We would like to extend warm thanks to all of the parents and carers who attended the Y11 Launch Evening. Information was shared around the structure of the year, expectations of students, support and guidance available in the academy and the importance of the role of parents and carers in the year-long journey to GCSE. The presentation from the evening can be found in the publications section of the academy website.





## Uganda trip 2019



At the start of the summer break this year's year 12 Uganda team returned home safely and bursting with pride and stories about their experiences. Staff and students spent almost 3 weeks in Uganda renovating and painting an orphanage, a Primary School building and also a new project for this year which was called 'The Dream House'. This house is where young people aged 17, who are no longer permitted to be housed in MLISADA our partner orphanage as they are no longer 'children' in the governments' eyes, can stay on a temporary basis as they prepare for independence. They pay their rent in hours of time dedicated back at the orphanage and with Chellaston's keen fundraising events we managed to raise enough to purchase and improve this building meaning a safer place and a stepping stone into adulthood will now be sustained.

Other activities included teaching, a community clean in slum areas, clothes drops and donation giving out at community centres and in the slum communities themselves, visiting a centre for disabled children, a baby orphanage and working once again with the Mydel McQuilton Academy originally built by Chellaston Academy.

Students threw themselves into every task and also had the opportunity to enjoy more tourist experiences such as cultural dancing and drumming sessions, standing with feet each side of the Equator and white water rafting down the Nile! They have grown as young people themselves so very much and we are very proud of them. We will be making our newsletters available on our website and be producing an Assembly over the coming weeks to tell our stories in more detail but until then, thank you so much to all who have supported and donated money or clothing and a massive thank you to the staff who gave up their time to make it happen. Mr Walters, Mrs Johnson, Miss Brown and Mr Donaghy



Head Boy and Head Girl presenting a thank you gift (wooden carving) and certificate from MLISADA orphanage in Uganda.





# Waste and Recycling Update



We are pleased to announce that Chellaston Academy has started our journey to become a fully recycling Academy!

Over the Summer we have negotiated our waste contract with Veolia but we need your help!

As we are starting with our waste from the Catering Department there will be changes for all students this year.

These signs will be displayed in all areas. Please can you discuss at home the differences between the bins and reassure them there will be staff to help them if they need.

Any questions please contact:

[JaimeWainwrightJones@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:JaimeWainwrightJones@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)

Thank you.



# Road Safety

## **Resurfacing and reconstruction work to highways for new LIDL.**

Highway's work will begin on Swarkestone Road from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 through to the end of November 2019. There will be a 4 way temporary traffic lights installed.

As work will take place between the hours of 8am to 5pm we anticipate it will have major impacts on getting to and from school.

Please can you allow extra travel time accordingly. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.



## **Transport to and from school:**

As we approach the start the new term, we would like to remind parents that, in order to manage the arrival and departure of the Academy's 2000 students and staff as safely as possible, we do not allow parents to drop or pick up their children on the school site between **8.00am and 8.45am** and **2.45pm and 3.30pm** unless the child is eligible for a Blue Badge or has been issued with a temporary permit for medical reasons.

If you are transporting your child to school, please drop off away from the school site and entrance where it is safe to do so and from where they can walk and use the appropriate crossings. You should be aware that stopping to drop students off in the bus stops and on the main carriageway near the entrance to the Academy constitutes a road traffic offence.

We encourage students to walk and cycle to school. Our cycle storage is locked during the school day. If your child cycles to school, they must observe the road traffic rules for cyclists and their bike must be road worthy with front and rear reflectors (lights during the winter months), pedal reflectors and operational brakes to both wheels. We strongly recommend that all cyclists wear cycle helmets and we can provide storage for these.

Students walking to and from school should use the designated crossings on the main road.







### **Homework and Firefly: Guide for Parents**

Last year we made the decision to streamline our ICT services in order to make things easier to understand, discover content and use. As part of this process we ended our use of Show My Homework and will now be using the homework functionality within our existing Firefly learning platform.

Firefly has been upgraded and improved and much more content will be added. We hope it will become a single point of reference for all information you need specific to your child's Academy progress.

In order to access Firefly, please follow the process in the document attached to the newsletter. There are instructions for both a web browser login and for using the Firefly app.

If you need further help, or something you need is not covered in these instructions, please take a look at the very helpful support pages provided by Firefly here:

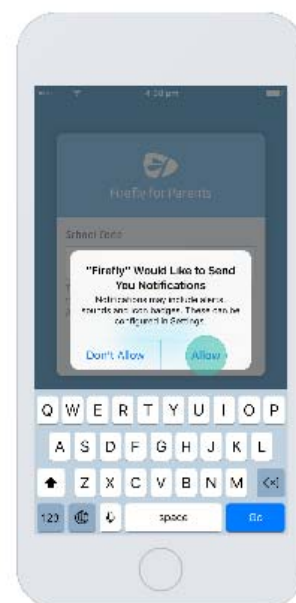
<https://helpcentre.fireflylearning.com/parents>

or email [ContactUs@chellaston.derby.sch.uk](mailto:ContactUs@chellaston.derby.sch.uk)

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

Claire Sutton

*Assistant Vice Principal*



## School Uniform/Dress Code

We believe high standards of uniform contribute to the ethos of the Academy. We take great pride in the appearance of our students and expect parents and standards to fully comply the Academy's uniform expectations.

When purchasing your child's blazer, please ensure the badge is of the appropriate house colour.

House colours are:

- Alport - Red
- Eldon - Yellow
- Kinder - Blue
- Stanage - Orange
- Thorpe - Purple

### Health and Safety Issues

**Jewellery:** One plain ring, one pair of stud earrings or small sleepers. No other jewellery or piercings are permitted.

**Hair style / colour:** Hair must not be cut shorter than Grade 2 and must not have patterns, shapes or be dyed with bright colours. Natural hair colours are allowed. If in doubt, check with the Headteacher before having a cut-treatment. It is the judgement call of the Headteacher if a haircut is deemed unsuitable.

**Make Up:** Students are allowed to wear subtle makeup only. False and acrylic nails are not permitted. The length of nails should be appropriate for the health and safety of all curriculum areas.

### School Uniform and PE Kit Suppliers

[Click here for more information.](#)

Pupil's Schoolwear  
35 West Street Swadlincote  
DE11 9DN  
Tel: 01283 224512

Uniformity  
21-23 Nottingham Road  
Borrowash  
Derby  
DE72 3JU  
Tel: 01332 677498

Clothing 4 Schools  
22A High Street  
Chellaston  
Derby  
DE73 6TD  
Tel: 01332 321624



### Girls

- Black school blazer (not a fitted jacket) with appropriate school house badge
- Formal black knee length school skirt. Skirts do not have to be bought from a specific supplier, but must be of an appropriate length and material. Lycra, jersey or stretchy material skirts must not be worn
- Black tailored trousers (no hipsters, jeans or leggings)
- White shirt, tucked in with buttons up to a firm collar suited to the wearing of a tie
- School tie worn to the collar
- Black V-neck pullover made of wool or a similar man-made fibre
- Flat black formal shoes (no trainers, canvas type, boots or high heels)
- Plain black/white socks or plain black coloured tights
- Fashion belts are not part of school uniform

### Boys

- Black school blazer with appropriate school house badge
- Black trousers worn to the waist
- White shirt, tucked in with buttons up to a firm collar suited to the wearing of a tie
- School tie worn to the collar
- Black V-neck pullover made of wool or a similar man-made fibre
- Black formal shoes (no trainers, canvas type or boots)
- Plain black/grey socks
- Fashion belts are not part of school uniform





## Sixth form Uniform Policy

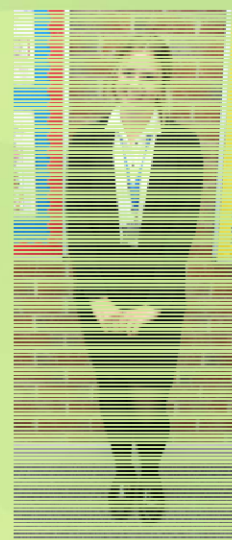
At Chellaston Academy we believe that it is important for students to understand how to dress smartly and appropriately in preparation for the world of work, interviews and formal occasions. We believe that students understand this and that the majority respond positively to fulfilling this requirement. Our dress code is therefore as follows:

### GIRLS

- Tailored black/grey/navy jacket/blazer.
- Black/grey/navy skirt (no shorter than two inches above the knee). No Lycra.
- Trousers or black/grey/navy tailored suit, ('skinny jeans' are not permitted). No Lycra.
- Plain black, grey or navy dress, (no shorter than two inches above the knee).
- White, black, navy or grey blouse or top (with sleeves), plain with no graphics.
- No T-Shirts.
- No footless tights/leggings
- Black shoes (no trainers or boots).
- Plain black or white belts only.

### BOYS

- Black blazer or black/grey/navy suit
- Black/grey/navy trousers.
- White/black shirt (tucked in).
- Black/brown shoes (no trainers).
- Sixth Form tie



## PE Kit 2019-20

The following PE kit will be required by Boys and Girls:

- Green games shirt (with school logo)
- Black shorts
- Black and green hooped socks
- Football boots and training shoes
- White polo shirts (with school logo)
- White ankle socks
- Gum shield for rugby and shin pads for football (compulsory)

A BLACK tracksuit can be worn in the winter months.



## When will I, will I be famous?

BBC1's hit show '*Eat Well For Less?*' is **BACK** and looking for households to take part! Eat Well For Less? is on the hunt for families / households looking to save money on their food shop!

Is the cost of your weekly food shop **spiralling out of control?**

Perhaps you're **desperate to save** but under pressure to keep providing the household favourites?

Or do your **health requirements** affect your diet? Are you in need of some **new inspiration?**

Maybe you need help adjusting to a new **financial situation?**

Or are you just **bored of buying and cooking the same foods** every week?

... Masterchef's **Gregg Wallace** & award winning grocer **Chris Bavin** are on a mission to prove that it is possible for families to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste and nutrition. They hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, they can help to show where we can source the best and cheapest quality food.

We're currently on the hunt for families / households to take part in our new series – so get in touch with the team TODAY!

Email: [eatwell@rdftelevision.com](mailto:eatwell@rdftelevision.com) or Call: 0117 970 7682

**\*Any information which you give us will be processed in accordance with our Privacy Notice, a copy of which is available on request\***



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Eat Well for Less?  
is back on the hunt for  
households looking to  
save on their food  
shop!**

**Email:**  
[eatwell@rdftelevision.com](mailto:eatwell@rdftelevision.com)  
**Or Call:**  
**0117 970 7682**

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