



Chellaston Academy Newsletter

Date: 23rd September 2019

Head of School Welcome

Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week at the academy with a number of evening events taking place alongside our regular in-school activities. These events have included our meeting in preparation for the Year 7 trip to Whitemoor Lakes, the Duke of Edinburgh Award information evening, a Battlefields Trip briefing and our KS5 information session. Thank you to the many students, staff, parents and carers who attended and supported these evenings. We look forward to inviting KS2 students, parents and carers to the academy next week when we host our Year 6 Open Evening and we also wish our Year 7 students a safe and dry trip to Whitemoor Lakes, departing on Friday with Mrs Grimwood and her team.

Assemblies have focused on staying safe and healthy this week and have been delivered by Mrs Horvath and Mrs Burdis. Year 13 have participated in their Mock Interview week and our Franklin Scholars interviews have taken place to select mentors to join this highly successful scheme, helping and supporting younger students through peer tutoring and mentoring. We have seen immense benefits for all involved in the scheme over the two years we have piloted it and we look forward to supporting a third year of the project in 2019/20.

I must also mention one of our Year 11 student, Zak Moy, who features in this week's newsletter. Zak was selected to represent England in the European Touch Championships in Paris and made his debut this summer. Well done Zak, we are immensely proud of you!

Kind regards

Cara Walker
Head of School



Safeguarding Spotlight



Mrs L Horvath

Designated Safeguarding Lead

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Mr T Barker

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Assemblies this week have all been about Safeguarding and Wellbeing. Year 12 and 13 will receive this next week, too.

All students should now be really confident in the Safeguarding procedures here at Chellaston, and know exactly what they would do and who they would choose to tell should they ever have an issue.

We are hoping they also remember that Mrs Burdis will be the Designated Safeguarding Lead from October, when Mrs Horvath goes on maternity leave. The assembly also focussed on looking out for each other, and reporting something on behalf of a friend who may be struggling, too.

Year 11: On Wednesday, all of Year 11 will be taking part in a 'Positive Mindset: Learning from Failure' workshop run by a fantastic company called Think For The Future. This will support them to get into a healthy frame of mind for the year ahead, and give them useful tools and coping strategies for their GCSEs. The workshops are 1 hour in length and they will take part in form groups throughout the day.



Reporting dates this half term

KS3	KS4	KS5
w/c 17 th Oct - Year 9		w/c 31 st 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/carers 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 (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/carers 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



Road Safety (1)

Bicycle Safety at Chellaston Academy:

We believe the wellbeing and safety of our students is of the utmost importance. We have made the decision that from Monday, any student that wishes to travel to school via bicycle must ensure it is meeting the correct legal standards. This means they must have a reflector front and rear and reflectors on the pedals. They must also have a bell, working brakes and students must wear a helmet. Any students who do not follow these standards will no longer be able to travel to school via bicycle.

Cycle Derby will also be supporting us in ensuring our students cycle safely by facilitating a L2 cycle safety course for them in October.

We would like to thank you, in advance for your cooperation and support on this matter.



Road Safety (2)

Transport to and from school:

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.

Resurfacing and reconstruction work to highways for new LIDL.

Highway's work will begin on Swarkestone Road from Monday 9th 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.





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.

Sixth Form Information Evening

Many thanks to all parents and carers of our Year 12 and 13 students who attended the Sixth Form Information Evening on Thursday 19th September and we hope that our vision for the year ahead was clearly articulated. The positive feedback we received was very much appreciated; we will also reflect on some suggestions that were made. We care deeply about ensuring that students have the opportunity to develop into well rounded individuals that are ready for the next step in their lives and whilst academic success is a big part of that, we are also fully committed to our students' personal development and wellbeing.

We have attached the information from last night for those parents who were unable to attend.



Sporting Successes

As an Academy, we want to celebrate the success of Zak Moy in 11MSM. He had been selected earlier in the year to represent England in the European Touch Championships in Paris as a member of the mixed under 15s team rugby team.

This August, Zak made his debut representing his country. On his 15th birthday no less!

Matches were played over 3 days against the Czech Republic, United Arab Emirates, Switzerland, France, Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

The scores after the round robin heats meant that England were at the top of the table and would meet Wales, their arch nemesis, in the final. The final score was 6-3 to England.

So not only has he played for his country but he's brought home the gold medal as well!

What an amazing achievement Zak.

Well Done.



Open Evenings

Year 6 Open Evening

We would like to formally invite the students and parents of the current year 6 student to our annual Year 6 Open Evening.

The event will run from 6pm-8pm with a main presentation in the main hall, and lots of subject specific activities throughout the Academy.

Please be aware that the parking on site is extremely limited. If people could either park off site or walk to the event, it would be greatly appreciated. Anybody requiring any specific disabled access, please contact us prior to the event so we can make arrangements.

We look forward to welcoming you all on 26th September.

Year 12 Open Evening

We look forward to inviting our Year 11 parents to our Sixth Form Open Evening at 6pm on Thursday 17th October.

During the evening you will have the opportunity to visit as many departments as you wish to get a taste for what Key Stage 5 learning looks like.

There will also be a formal presentation in the main hall which will explore the vision for our sixth form moving forward.

We look forward to seeing you.



Notices

Homework and Firefly:

Don't forget to download the Firefly app so you can track and monitor all the homework that is being set for your child.

Anyone who has yet to do so, please see our website for details on how to download the app, and an easy step-by-step guide on how to use it.

Thank you,
Miss Claire Sutton
Assistant Vice Principal



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.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

DofE Bronze: The application deadline for Bronze applications is Monday 23rd September.

DofE Silver: Applications for Silver DofE are now available. Attached are the application form and PowerPoint slides explaining what Silver involves. I have set a deadline of Friday 4th October to allow time to get sections sorted and handed in. If students are still completing Bronze but would like to progress to Silver, that is absolutely fine and they can still apply as normal.

DofE Gold: Applications for Gold DofE are now available. Attached are the application form and PowerPoint slides explaining what Gold involves. I have set a deadline of Friday 4th October to allow time to get sections sorted and handed in. If students are still completing Silver but would like to progress to Gold, that is absolutely fine and they can still apply as normal.

Mr Clamp



Notices

Science Revision Guides

GCSE Science revision guides are now available to purchase on Wisepay for years 9,10 and 11. These guides are a comprehensive revision book published by Collins and we are able to offer them at a highly discounted price. Combined Science (higher or Foundation tier) are £9.00 for the full book and triple sciences are £3.99 per science. Please try and place your order before the end of September!

Tassmomai GCSE revision website/APP subscription is now available for purchase on Wisepay for years 9, 10 and 11. This is an extremely valuable revision tool which has been used successfully by many of our students. Cost is £13.50 for the whole year.

Sign up by the end of September!

Music/Drama clubs running this year:

Monday Lunch - Year 7 band in G6
Tuesday lunch - Folk band in G7 and Y7
Drama club in GPA1
Wednesday lunch - Fusion singing in G7 and Samba band in G6
Wednesday after school - School Orchestra in G7
Thursday lunch - Year 9 band in G7
Friday Lunch - Percussion club in G6

Mr Elliott – Head of Music/Drama

A Level English Literature

A reminder that Wisepay is now open to purchase copies of class texts for Year 12 and Year 13. Prices for each text have been outlined in letters sent home last week. The account will remain open until Friday 27th September.

Mrs N Crocker
KS5 Coordinator for English

French Trip to Le Touquet 2020

A reminder that if students are interested in going on the Y11 French trip to Le Touquet (21st Feb - 24th Feb 2020), they should come and collect a letter of interest from the MFL department. All slips need to be returned by Wednesday 25th September.

Mr Perks



What's going on in History?

Thursday lunchtime Year 11 support

Every Thursday lunchtime MRN (week A) and SKN (Week B) are available for support. If you would like to revise a particular Year 10 topic, have additional support on completing exam questions, or just want help with current topics please pop up to the department.

Book Club

All Sixth form history students are welcome to attend FRI's infamous book club in D12 on Monday lunchtimes. This can help and support those students wanting to achieve the top grades at A level. Please see FRI for any further information.

Film Club

From 23rd September all Key Stage 3 students are invited to attend Monday lunchtime film club. This will be in D9 from 12.30-12.55. This will be organised by DGY and DVI and permission from home is essential to attend. Please see a member of the department for any more information.

Textbooks & Revision Guides

All Year 12 students need to purchase before 30th September the 2 textbooks for their A level studies. This can be done on Wisepay.

Any Year 10 or Year 11 students wanting to purchase 1 or even all 4 of the revision guides for the GCSE can do so at an offer price of £2.50 each.



What's going on in Maths?

KS4 Maths revision guides

Revision guides are all available on Wisepay. The deadline to book will be **Monday 30th 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 24th 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 14th 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
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



Melbourne Arts Festival and Trail



Chellaston Academy students were once again at the heart of the Melbourne Arts Festival and Trail this year. Our students' art work was on exhibition at The Assembly Rooms demonstrating the high quality of work our KS4 and 5 pupils can produce and many visitors were extremely impressed with what they saw. Past and present pupil musicians and our wonderful peripatetic Drum teacher Mr Statham were performing in bands and as solo artists (or even as DJ) in front of The Assembly Rooms drawing in a huge crowd throughout the two days and shared their talents with the local community. Most excitingly, members of our 2019 and 2018 Uganda Team and our brilliant staff helped the festival to run by selling trail guides at multiple places around the village. The festival organising team make such a generous contribution to the Uganda project each year in return for this service and we are so very grateful of this opportunity. It was such a pleasure to see pupils past and present enjoying the festival itself and soaking up all of the art and culture our wonderful local area has to offer.





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!

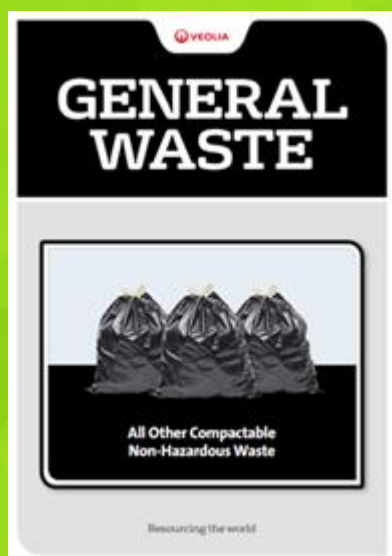
As we are starting with our waste from the Catering Department there will be changes for all students this year.

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

Thank you.



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.



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

School Uniform and PE Kit Suppliers

[Click here to view our suppliers.](#)
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



Sixth form Uniform Policy

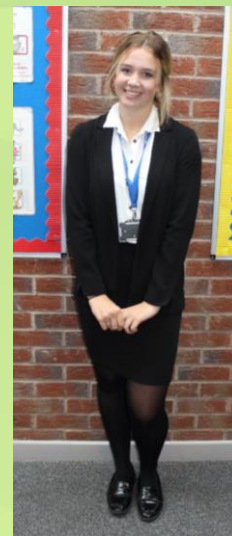
At Chellaston Academy we believe that it is important for students to understand how to dress smartly and appropriately in preparation for the world of work, interviews and formal occasions. We believe that students understand this and that the majority respond positively to fulfilling this requirement.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

