



Chellaston Academy Newsletter

Date: 7th October 2019

Head of School Welcome

Parents and Carers,

As many of you know, last week the Academy held Ofsted consultation evenings where we discussed the recent inspection and ways forward for our 6th Form in particular. If you are interested in the changes to KS5, please see the 6th Form area on the website for further details. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many Parents and Carers who have sent messages of support or who have contributed their views and experiences during this challenging time; we have every confidence that, with the continued support of our whole school community, we will be quickly back on track as securely 'Good' in our next inspection.

I would also like to thank staff and students for their involvement in our whole school photograph last week; nearly 2000 members of our school community were photographed and the success of the event was in no small part due the organisational skills of Mrs Holdgate!

Looking forward, this Thursday we will host our Year 11 Parents' evening and Thursday is also our 'Hello Yellow' day where Students are able to add a splash of yellow sunshine to their uniform to help raise awareness around mental health.

Kind regards
Cara Walker



Safeguarding Spotlight



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On Thurs 3rd October, our Year 8s took part in an hour long workshop called 'Me, Myself and I Online' which explored the issues surrounding Online Safety. The internet is a fantastic thing, but it is really important that our young people understand the impact of what they are exposed to via social media; comparing themselves to others and viewing negative messages can really harm their mental health.

Interestingly, there have been articles in various newspapers this week concerning 'Sadfishing'; a term coined recently to describe the growing trend of young people sharing their negative thoughts and personal feelings in the public domain. Here is an article published in The Independent if you wish to read more.

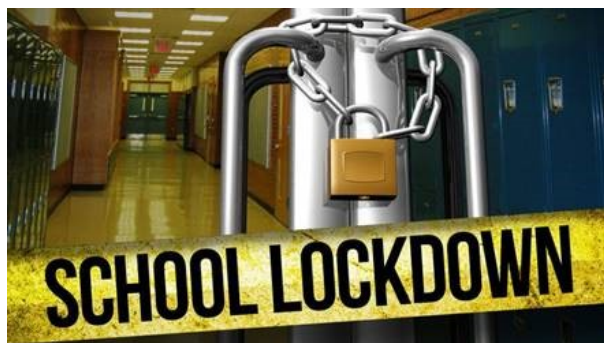
<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/education/education-news/sadfishing-what-problem-sympathy-social-media-mental-health-children-a9126811.html>

It is so important that we consistently educate our young people about healthy coping and communication mechanisms, focus on the positives and things they have to be grateful for, and ensure that we are monitoring what they access and post online to keep them safe.





Safeguarding Spotlight



We will be practising our 'lockdown' procedure on 14th October 2019. This is particularly important for our Year 7 students as they may not have experienced this kind of drill before.

What is a 'lockdown' and when would we carry it out?

A lockdown procedure is a standard health and safety procedure, similar to a fire drill. It would be used when there is a threat to the safety of pupils, staff and others in the school, and when it is safer for everyone to remain in school rather than evacuate. The aim is to keep people safe by confining them to a secure place of safety.

Situations where our lockdown procedure may be used include:

- A potentially dangerous person or animal on the school site
- A disturbance or dangerous situation in the local community that could affect the school
- A nearby chemical incident or other risk of air pollution
- An incident related to terrorism

All form tutors will be going over the procedure with their forms this week.



Reporting dates this half term

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



Reporting Student Absences (Years 7 - 13) - New procedure from Monday 7th October 2019.

We kindly ask that all student absences (Years 7 – Year 13) are reported for **EACH DAY OF ABSENCE** by a parent/guardian by 9:00am using one of the following methods:

Email: attendance@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Telephone: 01332 702502 from 8:00 am to speak to a member of staff

You need to provide: Your name, full name of student, form registration group and the reason for absence

If your child is absent and you do not contact school each day, you will receive a text message and a telephone call. If we are unable to make contact the school Attendance Officer may conduct a home visit.



Useful dates this half term:

10 th October	Year 11 Parents Evening
17 th October	Sixth Form Opening Evening
25 th October	Inset Day

Next half term:

7 th November	Year 9 Parents Evening
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Notices

Year 11 Parents Evening

This Thursday (10th October) is our first Year 11 Parents Evening of the year.

Pupils have had their appointment letters and have been busy making their appointments with teaching staff all last week. Please can you ensure you have made appointments with all the necessary members of staff before Thursday. With how crucial this year is, it is so important you get the vital updates on how things are going.

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.

Whole school photograph

On Wednesday morning we saw the whole school congregate together to have their photograph taken. This was no mean feat. Involving almost 2000 students and staff, it took around 90 minutes for us to assemble on the staging on the school field. The formal photograph, when processed, will be available to purchase and a copy will be displayed in our gallery.

We look forward to showing you it in the near future.



Notices

We are reviewing parents' evenings at the Academy, in the hope to make them an even more valuable experience for teachers, students and parents alike. We will be working on this throughout the year, but in the first instance, we would be interested to have some initial thoughts from parents on their experience of parents' evenings at the Academy.

I would be grateful if you could send any comments through to the following address:

parentsevenings@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Thank You – Miss Stavri

Year 11 Intervention

Last week Year 11 intervention began and attendance has been very good. As in previous years, the DTT model of intervention, using Smith Proformas and PLCs are being used to ensure students are explicitly aware of their strengths and areas for development, and which gaps they are addressing through intervention.

Thank you for your work Year 11, it really does make a difference.

Miss Brown and Miss Nelson.

Hello Yellow

Thursday 10th October celebrates the National 'Hello Yellow' wear it yellow day! Students are able to add a splash of yellow sunshine to their uniform to help raise awareness as young people. Together we can work towards showing others that they're not alone with their mental health, raising awareness and encouraging a positive approach towards having a healthy mind.

Throughout the week staff and students in the Academy will be running bake sales, assemblies and taking part in form activities in order to promote healthy thinking. Staff and students will be wearing yellow in addition to their uniform to support this fantastic cause and we ask that as many of you get involved as possible!



Sporting Successes

U14 Netball:

The Year 9's went to Littleover this week to play Littleover and Woodlands schools. They lost their first game against Littleover 12 - 5. They then went on to beat woodlands 21 - 3 and played Littleover again and won 9-0. Player of the match(es) goes to Abigail Watson and Tia Mistry for their fantastic shooting and for Abi's versatility when moved out of position to WA.

U19 Netball:

The team competed in the County Netball Tournament for the first time in four years. Our girls played very well especially considering that they had only had three practice sessions together as a team prior to competing. They played 7 games against some incredibly talented and long established teams from Repton, Trent and Ecclesbourne, to name a few. As the games went one our girls game developed in confidence, strategy and skill. They had a couple of very close games, with the most exciting game against QUEGS drawing 8-8. Lauren Goring Captained the team, skilfully developing the players as the tournament progressed. The girls are already excited about playing in the county tournament again next year. Well done to Lauren Goring, Maddie Butcher, Alicia Teasdale, Alex Lewsey, Bryony Stone, Emily Whitfield, Sophie Cantrill and Emily Cotton.

And a huge thank you to Mrs Dow's Y8 and Y10 dancers who performed at the Year 6 open evening.



Football Results:

Year 8:

Chellaston 2-7 Ecclesbourne.

Year 7:

Chellaston 4-3 John Port

Well done to all involved. Especially to the Year 8's who didn't give up, despite a tough result.



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



Careers round up

This week the following information has been sent out to parents, so please check your email.

E-on Apprenticeship Event – Year 1 & Year 13 Parents

Bombardier and Rolls Royce
Apprenticeship Information - Year 11 & 13

Next Steps Presentation - Year 11 Parents

Apprenticeship Parents Pack
(Specific to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships) - Year 13 Parents

Any questions please contact Mrs Shillingford Careers Lead:
jshillingford@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

The 16-19 Bursary Fund

The Fund is a limited amount of money made available from the government through its funding body, the Education Funding Agency, to provide assistance to students whose access to, or completion of education is inhibited by financial constraints or barriers.

The 16-19 Bursary Fund has two elements: the 16-19 Discretionary Bursary and the 16-19 Vulnerable Student Bursary.

For more information and an application form, please check your email account that school holds for you, and look for the e-mail sent on Monday morning from Theo Stavri.



Notices

Our crisp packet recycling continues!

Crisp/popcorn/pretzel etc... packet recycling - continuing from Summer Term 2019.

The Year 11s are doing a fantastic job of recycling their empty packets in the DRef and other recycling boxes are placed around school. I am grateful for everyone's support so far having collected approx. 9kilos of packets!

Form groups are being asked to get on board with this initiative and if anyone wants to save their packets from home and then bring them into school - please do so!

Miss C Brown

Uniformity

We are offering 10% discount on all Chellaston Uniform! Go in store or speak to us for more details:

www.uniformity.co.uk

All enquiries: 01332 677498
Head Office & Borrowash Store: 21-23 Nottingham Road, Borrowash, Derby DE72 3JU

Keep up to date with our latest competitions and offers, via our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages!



Teaching Assistant – CJS

Want to work with children, in a friendly safe environment? Chellaston Junior School are looking for a Teaching Assistant. Please see the link below for more details:

<http://www.cjs.derby.sch.uk/page/vacancies/53744>



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 31st 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



Notices

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

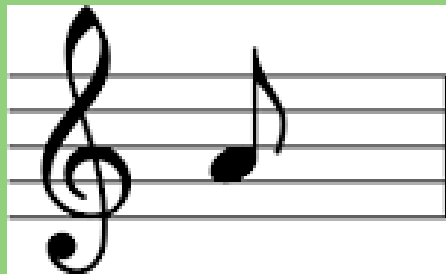
Wednesday lunch - Fusion singing in G7 and Samba band in G6

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



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 October 19th!

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 October 19th!



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

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 Geography?

Y13 Geography field trip to Derby

On Thursday the year 13 Geography students visited Derby City Centre to complete their third day of compulsory A level fieldwork. Students visited various sites of redevelopment and regeneration including the Castlefields area, Bus Station and Duckworth Square which acted as both an excellent revision activity as well as support for students currently writing up their NEA coursework. Students were tasked with answering past exam questions using evidence from the sites visited. Despite aching legs, the hard work continued back at school where students remained focused throughout the afternoon debrief and write up session where worked studiously until 6 o'clock in the evening on applying their understanding of the day to their coursework studies that count for 20% of the overall A level grade. The day was very successful with many remarking about how much more confident they now felt for the upcoming completion of their coursework.

Well done from the Geography department.

Y11 Geography field trip

All year 11 Geography students will complete the final day of their required GCSE fieldwork over the next two weeks. Students will visit various sites around Birmingham to look at contrasting housing and retail spaces in the city. Students are split over three consecutive days and will visit Birmingham on either Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th or Wednesday 16th October. Could I please ask that any outstanding Medical/Consent forms be returned as a matter of urgency and outstanding payments be made on Wisepay.

Ian Walters - Subject Leader of Geography



What's going on in Maths?

Year 8 Maths Assessment

The first Year 8 assessment will be on Wednesday 9th October. The paper will be 50 minutes long. For students in Groups 1 and 2, they will have an additional assessment on Wednesday 16th October. This paper will be 30 minutes long.

Pupils will need a pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, sharpener and a **calculator**.

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**.

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.

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.

Date	Tier	Topic
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



#ThisIsDerby Photo Competition

Prizegiving and private film screening



QUAD and Derby County Community Trust are delighted to invite the winner and runners up of the #ThisIsDerby Photo Competition, plus their friends and family, to a special prizegiving event on:

Wednesday 30 October 2019
at 10.20am (doors open at 10.00am)

followed by a private screening of:



Incredibles 2 (cert. PG)
at 10.40am until 12.40pm

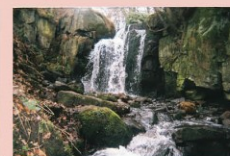


Winner: James Ruston

This event is **FREE** but places are limited - please book your seats at QUAD Box Office or on 01332 290606.

Runners Up:

top (l-r): Dana Waysome, Eleanor Wheatley, Hayam Rashid, Tobi Wong, Jonathan Towell
bottom (l-r): Madara Aizupiete, Molly Burton, Jai Johal, Rebekah Neale, Lauren Muskrey



For more information about #ThisIsDerby activities and events
for young people visit: www.thisisderby.org



Information regarding Brexit and Schools

Parents or carers of pupils who are EU, EEA or Swiss citizens that they need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 2020.

- EU/EEA/Swiss Citizens and their families who are living in the UK before the UK leaves the EU can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 31st December 2020.
- If individuals have been a **resident in the UK for five continuous years** or more, they will be **eligible** for **settled status**.
- If individuals have been a **resident for less than five continuous years**, they will be **eligible** for **pre-settled status**.
- Please visit the government website for more details





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

Chellaston Schoolwear
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.

