

Chellaston Academy Newsletter

Date: 18th November 2019

Head of School Welcome

Parents and Carers

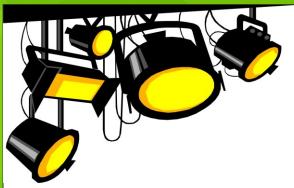
May I first thank you for supporting us during the difficult weather conditions last week. Whilst there was disruption to some bus services and road closures made for challenging circumstances, we appreciate you making alternative transport arrangements for school where at all possible.

Despite the weather, our Key Stage 5 students did an amazing job of organising fundraising activities on Friday in support of Children in Need including sporting challenges, games, competitions and cake sales. Activities continue into this week and a huge thank you to all who have supported and donated generously.

Our Year 11 PPE examinations are now well underway and staff have again been impressed with Year 11 in their attitude to the exams and preparation beforehand. On Monday, students had the chance to watch Mercury pass in front of the Sun - the next time this will be possible is in 2032; a rare opportunity indeed. Wednesday and Thursday saw Year 9 involved in an iRail event and our Student Committee meetings continued through the week.

I would like to congratulate our Year 8 Futsal team for their recent victory. Futsal is five a side indoor football and our school team won all 7 matches played in a recent tournament. Rehearsals are now also in full swing for our annual Dance Show; this event involves nearly 100 students and we look forward to seeing the performances on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of December.

Kind regards, Cara Walker



School Health Team Visit

Safeguarding Spotlight



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Mr T Barker

Deputy DSL

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We recently had some visitors from the School Health Team, who came into school to give some information to students about antibullying and knife crime.

They were asking students to discuss bullying, gang culture, knife crime and resilience.

The students then wrote their own messages about resilience on wooden lolly sticks, to then make our very own version of the Knife Angel, that was recently on show at Derby Cathedral.

We hope that the information given and the activity were thought provoking and interesting.

The students certainly seemed to enjoy getting involved!



Deborah Burdis

Designated Safeguarding Lead







Reporting dates for next half term

KS3	KS4	KS5
w/c11th Nov –	w/c 16 th Dec – Year	w/c 11 th Nov - Year
Year 8	10 and 11	12



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:		
w/c 11 th Nov	Year 11 PPEs begin	
w/c 9 th Dec	Year 12 and 13 PPEs begin	
10 th /11 th Dec	Lower school production	
19 th Dec	School closes for Christmas	





Children in Need (1)

As part of our commitment to Personal Development we strive to positively engage young people in a variety of charity and community events throughout the year. We recently chose to support 'Hello Yellow Day' for Young Minds where pupils wore yellow in addition to their uniforms and took part in a number of fundraising events such as bake sales whilst donating during form times to the cause. We felt that raising the awareness of Mental Health and also raising money for this cause was very important. We have an upcoming SPARKLE DAY for the NSPCC on December 11th that we will provide more information about soon too!

Due to the success of this approach, this year pupils were asked to contribute to Children in Need in a similar way. Voluntary donations were collected during form time and pupils were asked to add 'Pudsey' or spotty items to their uniform or to wear odd socks highlighting our commitment to Anti Bullying day which was on Tuesday. A presentation about Children in Need was delivered during form time on Friday to highlight and raise awareness of what the charity does and how to donate to the cause within and out of school including showing videos of successful projects. During lunchtime we had tons of events and activities from sporting challenges, guess the teacher baby photo, name the bear, sweets in a jar and other fun quizzes and our 6th form student leaders led all of these with enthusiasm and a huge sense of fun. Activities will be carrying on into this week too and we are really proud to have engaged our pupils in work for this important charity.

Laura Jones Assistant Vice Principal





Children in Need (2)

















Student successes

Futsal Champions:

We've done it again. Our sporting successes continue. We now have futsal champions in year 8. And no that's not a typo, it is in fact indoor football. Well done guys. They won all 7 matches! Mr Walker is very proud.



Alumni Success:

Last week we brought you the story of a former student who was interviewed for both Japanese and French TV for the Rugby World Cup.

This week we saw something really incredible in the news. Scientists have solved the structure of one of the key components of photosynthesis, a discovery that could lead to photosynthesis being 'redesigned' to achieve higher yields and meet urgent food security needs.

Lorna Malone, the first author of the study and a PhD student in the University of Sheffield's Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology went to Chellaston Academy from 2004-2010.

We look forward to seeing how this development could help solve food shortages. We are very proud of the impact that she could have internationally! Huge congratulations to her.

For the full story, follow the link:

https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2019/11/191113153102.htm







The transition of Mercury

A transit of Mercury across the Sun takes place when the planet Mercury passes directly (transits) between the Sun and a superior planet, becoming visible against (and hence obscuring a small portion of) the solar disk. During a transit, Mercury appears as a tiny black dot moving across the disk of the Sun.

The next time this will happen is November 13, 2032. Our students were lucky enough to witness this this week.



We managed to get a break in the clouds and rain to allow a lot of students to see Mercury pass over in front of the sun through the specialist telescopes provided by the Astronomical Society of Derby (even the school mascot Kyle got in on the action!)

We were so pleased to see so many students interested in seeing this event. A really special experience for them.







Notices

Y13 Psychology Support

<u>Psychology Boost</u> - If students are performing below their MTG, they can gain support between 3-4pm on Tuesdays in A29 with Mrs Walker

<u>Psychology Challenge</u> - if students are aiming for an A/A* grade, they can buddy-up in A28 on Thursdays 3-4pm to challenge and support each other.

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

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

Additional Free Breakfast for Free School Meal Students.

At Chellaston Academy we are running an initiative giving every child eligible for free school meals the option to select one breakfast item, for free, from our breakfast bar buffet.

This is in addition to the government's allocation for a free school lunch.

The free school breakfast is available up to 11.09am and is purchased in the same way as the free school lunch, which is available after 11:09am.

Mrs LD Giles (GLE)

Raising Standards Leader

Specialist Leader of Education

Science Club is starting after school on Tuesday 12th November for KS3 students.

If students are interesting in joining we still have a few spaces so they can see us for a letter/permission slip.

Miss Newman and Miss Akbar





Notices

Can all parents that have received a form for a Health Care Plan for either Epi-Pen or Asthma, please return to your child's form tutor or Mrs Marshall in the main office ASAP.

Many thanks

Mrs Jayne Marshall Medical Lead/Admin Assistant The Music and drama department are pleased to announce that this years' 'Chellaston Academy Christmas Concert' will take place on Tuesday 17th December, at 7pm. If you are interested in performing, please speak to Mr Baggott and Mr Elliott. Tickets for the event will go on sale soon. Thanks, Mr Baggott.

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

Dance Fever 2019.

On Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th December, nearly 100 students will perform in the academy Dance show.
Rehearsals are in full swing!
Letters with details on how to buy tickets will be given out in class next week. Any questions can be directed to Mrs Dow - dannidow@chellaston.derby.sch.uk





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.

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.

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.

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 Maths?

KS4 Monday Maths Seminars- Half term 2

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
18/11/2019	H/F	Index laws
25/11/2019	Н	Sine rule
02/12/2019	H/F	Plotting Linear Graphs
09/12/2019	Н	Solving Quadratic equations- Factorising
16/12/2019	н	Circle theorems

KS4 Maths club

KS4 maths club will run on Tuesdays 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





School Transport at Chellaston Academy



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Mike Ashworth Executive Director

Economy, Transport and Environment

Department County Hall Matlock

Derbyshire DE4 3AG

Parents of Telephone 01629 536740

Ask for School Transport

Email schooltransport@derbyshire.gov.uk

Our ref Your ref

Date 18 October 2019

Dear Parents/students

School Transport - Service 206 to/from Chellaston Academy

You may be aware that a section of Ingleby Lane will be closed to traffic from 4th to 24th November to allow for carriageway repairs.

During this period, the school bus service will have to follow an alternative route and I regret that it will not be able to service Ingleby. Additionally, students from Stanton by Bridge will have to meet the bus at the bus shelter on the A514, Derby Road.

For clarity, the revised timetable and bus route is detailed below but more information about the road closure can be obtained from the following link https://one.network/?tm=115122783

Service 206		Viking Coaches (01283 217012)	
Ticknall, Triangle	0740	Returns from Academy at	1510
Ticknall / junction of Ingleby Lane	0743		
Melbourne Market Place	0753		
Bus Shelter, Derby Road Stanton by			
Bridge	0800		
Chellaston Academy	0825		

Route: Ticknall triangle, Ashby Road, High Street, Main Street, Melbourne Lane, B587 Robinsons Hill Ashby Road, High Street, Market Place, Derby Road, Swarkestone Bridge, Derby Road to Chellaston

I appreciate this will cause disruption for a number of families and apologise for the inconvenience it may cause. Any family who lives more than one mile from the nearest bus stop (at Ticknall or Stanton by Bridge) will be entitled to claim a refund of travel expenses for their journey to this point. If you feel this may apply, please e-mail this office to request a claim form.

If the road re-opens earlier than advertised, I can assure you that the normal bus route will be reinstated.

Yours faithfully

School Transport
Derbyshire County Council
schooltransport@derbyshire.gov.uk





Uniform and PE Kit

Further to our announcement in June 2019 that our new PE Kit will be phased in from September 2020 we are excited to learn that the kit will be going into production next month and is on schedule to be available before the start of the next academic year, from July onwards. There is absolutely no obligation for students to have the new kit until they have outgrown what they are currently wearing and either the existing or the new kit may be worn from September in Years 8 to 11. Our incoming Year 7s will be the first full cohort to wear the kit which has house colour inserts.

The new kit consists of a choice of unisex polo shirt or V-neck female fit polo with Chellaston logo, a skirt or shorts with logo and a fully reversible, long sleeved training top. The hooped knee socks will be replaced with plain black ones.

Optional tracksuit bottoms in three different fits, with the school logo, will also be available as part of the kit, if desired.

As soon as the samples of the new kit are available, we will include photos and prices in our newsletter for reference.

We are very aware of the costs of clothing growing children and have worked very closely with the supplier to ensure that the cost is the same as the identical style kit already being sold to other schools.

If you have any existing kit which your child has already outgrown, please send it in to school and we will recycle it, making it available for students to wear later in the year if their existing kit becomes too small.

Uniformality

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

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

Clothing 4 Schools

Clothing4schools are offering 15% discount on all Chellaston PE kits.

All enquiries: 01283 249740
Unit 1 Anglesey Business Park,
Anglesey Rd, Burton-on-Trent DE14
3LX







<u>Governor Opportunities – Chellaston Infant School</u> (Voluntary Position)



Peak Multi Academy Trust is a small Multi-Academy Trust currently in the early stages of its formation, having come together initially in April 2019. The Trust consists of four schools: Chellaston Infant School; Chellaston Junior School, Homefields Primary School and Chellaston Academy.

We are very excited about the journey that we are embarking upon as a family of schools as we continue the work that we do to positively impact on the young people within our schools. Together we hope to build stronger opportunities, broader experiences and greater life chances for the children within our community.

The trust is committed to providing the very best educational opportunities for children and young people and has established four simple principles that define our ethos and underpin the work that we do:

People	"Sometimes the most ordinary things could be made extraordinary, simply by doing them
	with the right people." Elizabeth Green
Enjoyment	"What we learn with pleasure we never forget." Alfred Mercier
Achievement	"High achievement always takes place in the framework of high expectation." Charles Kettering
Knowledge	"Seeking knowledge creates courage." George Bernard Shaw

The trust vision, detailed below, brings clarity to our purpose and focus:

"Life is a journey and nobody's path is certain in this rapidly changing world. Together we are stronger. We will guide and inspire you along the way. When you let go of our hand, you and I will know that you will choose the path that is best for you."

Chellaston Infant School, a successful school within the Trust that prides itself of its commitment to providing all pupils with a high-quality education, are currently looking for skilled and motivated volunteers to add to their Local Governing Board. It is seeking individuals that are committed to improving education and making a positive difference to the lives of its pupils. Governors are responsible for carrying the Trust vision forward, based on the qualities of the school. They play a critical role in supporting the school and Headteacher to operate effectively in line with the responsibilities defined by the Trustees.

As a governor, you should have the necessary time, commitment, skills and expertise to contribute to the school's strategic focus and direction. The role will involve attending around five or six meetings per year and occasional contributions to work outside of those meetings. Most meetings are held in the evening at Chellaston Infant School.

Applications are welcomed from individuals with knowledge of the local community. We would be particularly keen to work with individuals that have previous experience of working within governance roles, and also those with financial skills or knowledge.

If you believe that you might have a role to play in fulfilling a rewarding role that provides an excellent opportunity for personal and professional development, we look forward to hearing from you. To formally express an interest in the role, please send a copy of your CV along with a completed Governor Application Form outlining why you are interested in the opportunity and how you think you can make an impact to our governing board to: Stephanie Dakin, PA to the CEO and Executive Principal s.dakin@peakmat.uk by Monday 2nd December 2019. Should you want further information or an informal discussion about the nature of the role and the work of the Trust beforehand, please get in contact.

Chellaston Infant School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. These posts are conditional on verified references and an enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service check.

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

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

Uniformality
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

Bovs

- •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:

GIRIS

- 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.







