



Newsletter for Families 10th November 2023

Our vision is to create an excellent school that gives every child no matter their background or beliefs, the opportunity to live happy and fulfilling lives, go to university or pursue the career of their choice.



Principal's Message

It's been a busy week at school with students across the years having opportunities to really get "stuck into school". Year 10 had a visit to a theatre in the city centre to see a performance of Macbeth, we held an evening concert for Key Stage 3 students and parents and our Year 11s have been busy preparing for their mock exams that start on Monday.

Our attendance across the school continues to show improvements in comparison to last year – as always a massive well done and thank you to students and parents for this. We have launched our 100% Last Week awards which recognises all students who had excellent attendance in the previous week. My congratulations to all students who received one of these awards.

Last night I had the pleasure of meeting Year 10 parents at the Consultation Evening, and it was great to hear so many positives about students' learning, staff feedback and just how well their children were doing at Coleridge.

As part of our Anti-Bullying week, we are asking all students and staff to enjoy Odd Socks Day on Friday to raise awareness. Please do speak to your child and if they or you have any concerns about bullying or unkindness (or anything else at all!), I would ask that you speak to an adult in the school. We take all allegations of bullying very seriously.



Remembrance Day

Assemblies this week have been about Remembrance and why it is important that we take the time to reflect and remember all those who have been affected by war and hope for a more peaceful future. As a school, today we took part in our own act of remembrance by holding our own two minutes silence. Students were exceptional as they paused their lessons to show their respect and honoured everyone who has been and continues to be affected by conflict across the world.



Year 11

Next week marks the beginning of the first set of mocks for Year 11. Students have been working hard in their lessons, collecting more revision materials from their teachers, and attending our Revision Club that runs every day during lunchtime. We have also spoken to all our Year 11s about the importance of eating properly, sleeping and taking care of themselves during exam season. This includes managing their revision while still taking the time to take part in activities that they enjoy outside of school. Staff have all been impressed with the focus they have been showing to their studies and are hopeful that they start to see the benefits of this hard work as they enter this exam period feeling confident and prepared for their assessments.

As a reminder, Year 11 students will be able to enter the school site at 8.00 am and breakfast will be provided in the canteen for all Year 11 students every morning during the mock period. Staff will be there to support and ensure they are answering any last-minute questions or concerns that students may have. Year 11 will also leave Period 4 ten minutes early during the mocks to ensure they have time to eat their lunch and have a chance to relax before sitting their



afternoon exams.

Year 7 & Year 8 Autumn Fest – 2023

On Tuesday evening this week we held our annual Y7 & Y8 Autumn Showcase in the Radegund Hall. The Autumn Showcase is an event (concert) led (in its entirety) by student Music Ambassadors and exists to showcase the wonderful performance work of our Y7 and Y8 students.

Over the last 2 months, the Music Ambassadors have been working hard to promote, audition and rehearse acts for the event which culminated in **over 80 students** performing. The acts on display ranged from auditioned pieces (musical solos, dances and drama) to club work (Carnival Crew 2, PFO3 (beginner orchestra)) and even included some class work – Y7 African Drumming. We were pleased to be able to celebrate and showcase our wonderful students with a packed audience of approximately 150 of the students' families and friends. It was a fantastic night of entertainment with lots of talent on display – especially considering that our Y7s have only been with us for one half term – the future of Create is looking very, very bright! An amazing evening – thanks to all who supported in any way.

Keep an eye on our Create X (Twitter) account for updates from this event – and regarding all future Create events @CambsCreate.



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