







STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS CELEBRATED AT SPECIAL EVENING

On Tuesday 26 November the College held their annual awards evening celebrating the achievements of some exceptional students.

These were presented by various senior staff and the Mayor of Surrey Heath, Sarbie Kang, to students past and present, and ranged from awards for exceptional attendance (those not missing a day for two consecutive years), exceptional performance in individual subjects, outstanding performance in multiple individual and examination subjects, and other wonderful accomplishments inside and outside the classroom.

The celebration was brilliantly hosted by our Head Student and Deputy Head Student, Lexie and Adam, supported by other senior prefects and Year 11 student leaders.

The evening was wonderfully intersected by performances from Michael Weston on the piano, the cast of the upcoming College production Footloose and a brilliant speech about the Football Tour to Holland from Lucy Mallon, showcasing the opportunities and talents of the student body.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Autumn Showcase - what a brilliant night!

Many thanks to all those parents and carers who attended our Autumn Showcase last Friday. I am sure they would agree this was an absolutely outstanding evening of music and song!





The evening was hosted brilliantly by the Sixth Form Prefect Team with students from all year groups, from Year 7 to Sixth Form, playing a huge range of musical instruments with songs from a variety of genres. t was also fantastic to hear the Collingwood Choir again!

The standard of performance of all the students involved was simply stunning! I am already looking forward to the next one!

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - DON'T MISS OUT!

Thursday 5 December: DofE Award Ceremony (By Invitation Only), 7.00pm until 9.00pm,

Kingston Theatre

Friday 6 December: Candlelight Soiree, 7.00pm until 9.30pm, Kingston Theatre

Tuesday 10 December: Nasal Flu Vaccines, 8.30am until 1.30pm, Kingston Theatre

Thursday 12 December: Christmas Open Mic Night, 4.15pm until 5.30pm, Kingston Theatre

Friday 13 December: Festive Jumper Day, in support of Save the Children

Nasal Flu Vaccines, 8.30am until 1.30pm, Kingston Theatre

CCFA Meeting with Year 7 Parents/Carers, 10.30am until 11.30am,

Conference Room

Friday 20 December: End of Term, Early Closure - finishing at 12.20pm

Monday 6 January: Start of Term for All Students

YEAR 11 MATHS REVISION - AUTUMN TERM

Monday 3.05pm-4.05pm	Topic	Foundation Grade 4+ Mrs Harbour - G30	Intermediate Grade 5+ Ms Akbar - G23	Higher Grade 7+ Mrs Brockett - G26
9 December	Angles	Angle Rules	Angle Rules	Circle Theorems
16 December	No revision	No revision	No revision	No revision

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE ...

Just a reminder to please read the significant changes to our 'Supporting Students with Medical Needs Policy' (available to view on Edulink, Noticeboard, College Policies and Procedures.

Please use the 'opt out' procedure if you do not wish your son/daughter to receive medications/ treatment. Please email the school nurse: <u>S.Brew@collingwood..surrey.sch.uk</u>. At the start of term all previous instructions will be revoked.

For all parents/carers of students with anaphylaxis and asthma, please complete the individual plans that have been emailed to you and return before the end of this term. All inhalers and AAi's will be destroyed in January if they are not collected by students.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Brew - School Nurse



STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS CELEBRATED CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 AT SPECIAL EVENING

The whole evening demonstrated that not only does the College produce aspirational individuals who can gain outstanding results and achieve great things, but that we are also an inclusive environment that helps foster an incredible amount of talent, courage, perseverance and resilience in individuals that will undoubtedly hold them all in great stead for the future.

There were so many highlights, but to pick out two that will be remembered for a while; Ellie Bean returning for the inaugural presentation of the Principal's Special Recognition Award for all of her wonderful accomplishments in the world of debating, her outstanding five A*s in her A Levels and gaining a place to study at Oxford University. Also, Erin Evangelista receiving the Syd Hempson Award for Creativity. Syd's Mum and Dad being there on the evening to present one of her closest childhood friends with the award was a poignant and emotional moment.



It is fair to say we are all already looking forward to next year.

























Mr Cleary - Head of Upper College / DSL

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

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CCFA Event - Friday 13 December at 10.30am

I am delighted to announce our first CCFA event for Year 7 parents/carers is next week. Please join us for a festive coffee and mince pie, courtesy of Waitrose, where I am looking forward to hearing how your child has settled into Collingwood life and how we can support them further with their educational journey. Also, there will be a chance to swap festive jumpers and pre-loved Collingwood uniform will be available. Please see the CCFA flyers later in the newsletter.

Miss Watling - Principal

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FROM OUR MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM ...

Dear Parent/Carer

We are the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) who work in Collingwood. We are part of Mindworks and offer advice, training and support to the school as well as Psychological support for students who may be experiencing difficulties with their mental health or emotional wellbeing. Every year we ask parents, staff and students to complete a brief questionnaire to help inform us of their understanding of what the school offers in terms of mental health and wellbeing, and how we can shape our offer to benefit parents, staff and students at Collingwood. The survey takes around 5 minutes to complete and can be accessed via this link https://forms.office.com/e/v52xTX1ii4

If you would like to find out more about the MHST offer, please do speak to your child's Year Manager or supply an email address or phone number on the survey in Question 16 with a brief message and we can contact you to discuss further.

Thanks for your support.

We want to hear from you!



Surrey Heath MHST



WHAT AN INCREDIBLE EVENING AT THE AUTUMN SHOWCASE!

On Friday 29 November our students wowed the audience with performances that showcased their musical talent and hard work. From the lush harmonies of the school choir to the vibrant sounds of saxophone, clarinet, flute, piccolo and the band, each act was a true testament to the dedication and skill of Collingwood's finest musicians.

A special thank you to Isabelle Talbot, Emily Smith and Lexie Coster for being such entertaining and gracious emcees, and to Archie Mynott for his invaluable assistance with lighting and sound.

We are so proud of all the students involved – your passion and creativity made this event unforgettable!

Mrs Traglio - Performing Arts Department





BEBRAS CHALLENGE 2024

At the start of November, our students took part in the **Bebras Challenge**, an international competition designed to develop problemsolving and computational thinking skills. The challenge involves tackling a series of fun, interactive tasks that encourage logical thinking and creativity, all within a timed setting.

The Bebras Challenge not only introduces students to key concepts in computer science but also helps them build resilience and critical thinking skills.



Students who were successful in the Bebras challenge will then be invited to take part in the Code Challenge, which will take place between Monday 24 March and Friday 4 April 2025. A big well done to the 48 students who received a GOLD award. This means they are in the top 10% of their national category. These students are:

Josh	Alford	Alba	Lasserre
Annabelle	Allen	James	Leaman
Holly	Allpress	Austen	Manning
Ismail	Bajwa	Archie	Martin
Henry	Baker	Jenson	McGrath
Harvey	Ball	Luci	Moran
Zoe	Bernard	Bella	Price
Connor	Cannon	Ellie	Ray
Owen	Chittum	Daniel	Robinson
Charlotte	Coltman	Tsz	Shun
Michael	Coltman	Freddy	Sibley
Julia	Dacko	Grace	Smith
Harrie	Elliman	Flynn	Stanton
Molly	Elvin	Lewis	Stanton
Harry	Evans	Clara	Stiles
Ben	Gane	Jack	Strong
Igor	Gladysz	Parinita	Sunuwar
George	Hebden	Mikey	Turner
Evie	Hunter	Alexander	Voinescu
Caden	Irving	Arthur	Voinescu
Morgan	Irving	Martha-Grace	Waine
Ava	Kendall	Alexander	Watts
Holly	Knight	Ellie	Wilkin-Close
Zofia	Kostrzewa		

Miss Jones - IT Department



COLLINGWOOD COLLEGE FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Calling all Year 7 Parents and Carers

The CCFA Invites you to their first Partnership Meeting

Come along for a coffee and festive mince pie on:

Friday 13th December 10:30 - 11:30

Please confirm your attendance by completing the form below



Meet Miss Watling, the Principal, along with other members of the College Community on Friday 13 December from 10.30am until 11.30am.

There will be a chance to swap festive jumpers and pre-loved Collingwood College uniform will be available.

Please confirm your attendance by completing the following form https://forms.office.com/e/
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We look forward to seeing you there.

Collingwood College Friends Association



COLLINGWOOD COLLEGE FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

FESTIVE JUMPER DONATIONS



In preparation for Festive Jumper Day the CCFA are seeking donations of unwanted festive Jumpers

Please drop your festive jumpers donations to Kingston or Barossa Reception by

> 3pm on Monday 9th December

Year 11 English Revision Timetable - Key Skills: Autumn Term

Where & When? Wednesdays - Kingston Theatre - 3.10pm - 4.00pm

Wednesday 4 December	The Importance of Meaningful Context - Literature	
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Wednesday 11 December	Mrs Woods	
Wednesday 10 December	Argumentative Introductions & Thesis Statements – Literature	
Wednesday 18 December	Mrs Marden	

^{*}No revision session on Wednesday 13 November due to mocks.



"Nothing will work unless you do."

- Maya Angelou





SEND A CANDY CANE

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Scan the QR code to fill out the information

Buy a Candy Cane to send to someone

Send it with a message or anonymously

Will be delivered during form time on last week of term



LIBRARY INFORMATION ...

Overdue Library Books/DVDs

If your son/daughter has any overdue books/DVDs outstanding from the Summer break please ask them to return to the library as soon as possible.

If any student is unable to return the books or DVDs to the library during the opening times then please leave with a member of staff at either Barossa or Kingston Reception for the attention of Ms Blay - Library Manager.

Thank you for your support in this matter.



CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BY ENTERING THE LIBRARY CHRISTMAS POEM COMPETITION.



DO YOU HAVE A WAY WITH WORDS? SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS SPIRIT THROUGH POETRY AND WIN A PRIZE.

HAND YOUR POEM INTO

Ms BLAY IN THE LIBRARY BY

MONDAY 16 DECEMBER. THE

WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED

ON THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER. ALL POEMS WILL

BE DISPLAYED IN THE LIBRARY. PLEASE

REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR NAME AND FORM.

Me Blay - Library Manager



FESTIVE JUMPER DAY

Friday 13 December

For a £1 donation to Save the Children, students can wear a festive jumper instead of their College sweatshirt. All other festive accessories including tinsel and festive earrings are NOT permitted. All other items of College uniform are required to be worn as usual.

£1 TO BE PAID TO FORM TUTORS
OR VIA PARENTPAY







This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in.

Links are underlined.

Remember, you can use <u>UCAS</u> and <u>Career Pilot</u> any time to research your career options, take part in quizzes and see which jobs might suit you.

OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Human Rights Day</u> took place on 10th December and is celebrated around the World. It commemorates the anniversary of one of the world's most groundbreaking global pledges: the <u>Universal Declaration of Human Rights</u> (UDHR). This landmark document enshrines the rights that everyone is entitled to as a human being - regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.

The 2024 Theme is "Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now". The theme is a call to acknowledge the importance and relevance of human rights in our everyday lives. We have an opportunity to change perceptions by speaking up against hate speech, correcting misinformation and countering disinformation.



You might be thinking "What even are Human Rights?", this page explains more in written and video format.



Whether you are a teacher, an actor, a factory worker or a miner, every person has human rights in the workplace. In the future, you may feel that you have been treated unfairly by your boss, or denied a promotion to which you feel that you are entitled. <u>This article</u> discusses how human rights can protect you in the workplace.



If you're passionate about ensuring that workplaces are inclusive for all, then you'll be pleased to hear that there are job roles that focus on just that! Equality, diversity and inclusion officers aim to reduce workplace discrimination, fight for equal access to services and promote positive attitudes. You can read more about this here.



Lawyers can also help ensure Human Rights are being adhered to in the workplace. <u>Join Lottie Dodd as she explores</u> the laws surrounding dismissal in the workplace, claims around unfair dismissal, and how businesses should approach fair dismissal from a legal and ethical standpoint.

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK



<u>Chief Diversity</u> Officer

As a Chief Diversity
Officer, one of the key
responsibilities is to
guide employees and
executives on matters
related to diversity,
equity, and inclusion.
This involves developing
and implementing
training programs,
policies, and procedures
that promote a culture
of inclusivity.

Watch the video to learn more.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Equality, diversity and inclusion officers typically start on salaries of £18,000 to £28,000 depending on employer, qualifications and experience.

With experience, salaries of £35,000 to £50,000 can be achieved.

Source



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

OPPORTUNITIES



Pathways to future success - realise your potential! Springpod have created a new set of resources and online courses that focus on different types of course that you could study in and outside of the workplace. You can <u>read more here and sign up for the ones you're interested in</u>.



They also have a new range of "virtual to reality" work experience placements which begin as virtual but can lead to in person work experience placements; "Imagine stepping into real workplaces, and immersing yourself in the day-to-day realities of your dream career. With our new "Virtual to Reality" programmes, that dream becomes a reality!".

If you are thinking of applying for apprenticeships in the future, you may be surprised to hear that the process to apply is much trickier than applying to colleges, sixth forms or universities.

The first thing you need to know is that employers advertise their apprenticeships in all different places (and some of them only advertise on their own websites!). Here's the sites you need to know about where you may find apprenticeships that you're interested in:



- Gov.uk
- UCAS
- Get my First Job
- Not Going to Uni
- Springpod
- Student Ladder
- Rate my Apprenticeship



Once you have found an opportunity you want to apply to, the following advice may be useful. Remember, every employer's application and recruitment process will be different so you need to prepare for each process individually.

- Writing applications
- Interview tips
- Assessment Centres
- <u>Preparing to start</u>

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"When you join the Army, you'll not only learn how to be a worldclass soldier or officer, but you'll continue to learn while you work.

With a range of qualifications available, from apprenticeships to Master's degrees, the Army offers many opportunities to support you to develop & learn while you serve."

Read more about <u>Army</u> Careers here.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Universities are so much more than degreeawarding seats of learning. They are drivers for economic innovation and for social change and champions of cultural development. Our undergraduate degrees are the perfect stepping stone to secure the your future." Read more about Plymouth University courses here.

Job of the Week



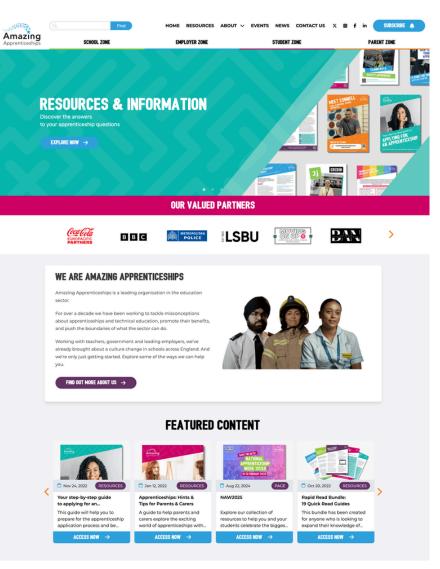


Check out our newly updated website!

We've been working hard on our website over the last year, giving it a brand-new look and improving all the features you already love.

We've listened to your feedback and have introduced new 'zones', helping you to find everything more easily.

Take a look at the newly updated resources section with a fresh layout and improved search functionality.



Choosing the Best Educational Path



GCSEs:

Fundamental secondary education qualifications.



Gap Year

Taking a year out for personal development, travel, volunteer work, or work experience before further study or employment.





Apprenticeships

Various Levels:

Range from intermediate apprenticeships to advanced and higher apprenticeships.

Degree Apprenticeships:
Work-based learning programmes leading to a full bachelor's or master's degree.



University

Bachelor's Degrees (BEng/BSc): Undergraduate degrees in specific fields like engineering (BEng) or science (BSc). Integrated Masters (MSci/MEng): Usually in science or engineering, combining undergraduate and postgraduate.





F.E. & Sixth Form

A Levels:

Traditional academic qualifications for university entry.

T-Levels:

New technical qualifications, combining coursework and work experience.

Scottish Highers:

Standard qualifications for university entry in Scotland.

International Baccalaureate (IB): Globally-recognised advanced educational programme.

Technical Baccalaureate (TechBacc):

Vocational qualification for 16-19 year-olds.

Higher National Certificate (HNC): Vocational qualification, often leading to

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Higher National Diploma (HND): Higher level vocational qualification than HNC, can lead to advanced university entry.

Foundation Degree:

A blend of academic and practical learning, often linked with specific professions or industries.

BTECs:

Specialised work-related qualifications, offering practical experience in a specific vocational sector.



Employment

Direct Entry into Work:

Starting a career straight after school or further education, often with on-the-job training.

Professional Development:

Continuous learning and skill development while in employment, often supported by the employer.





In the Library from Friday 29 November until Thursday 5 December



Payment will be by credit/debit card on the day at the time of purchase or by using the link below to purchase Gift Vouchers in advance

Book Fair Gift Vouchers -Scholastic Book Fairs



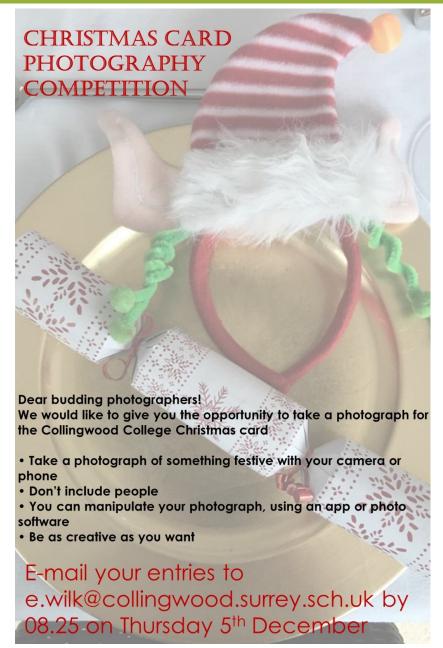


Open break time, lunch time and after school



The book fair is open to students and staff only. We are unable to open the fair to members of the public











https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/collingwood-college



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Well done to Autumn Showcase Performers!

A huge thank you and congratulations to our wonderful performers for this year's Autumn Showcase! It was an excellent evening showing what Collingwood's students have to offer. Head on over to Mrs Truglio's post on the newsletter to see a collage of our students in action!

Don't forget, there are more opportunities throughout the year to show your talents!

If dance & drama are more your thing, head on over to the Candlelight Soirée - only £3 entry, or for more music, Christmas Open Mic Night is coming up, with hot chocolate and mince pies on offer!







Notices & Reminders

Word of the Week SLAPSTICK

comedy based on deliberately clumsy actions and humorously embarrassing events

Extra-Curricular

Drama Club - Wednesday After school -Miss Hardicre
Choir - Tuesday break & Thursday after school - M2- Miss Truglio
Dance Club - Thursday after school -

Barossa Studio - Miss Ingram

HADESTOWN

LAMDA & Arts Award students - don't forget to grab your tickets to Hadestown on ParentPay!

Dates for your diary:

Candlelight Soiree: Friday 6th December Christmas Open Mic: Thursday 12th December Hadestown Trip: Tuesday 17th December





SIGN UP SHEET IN M2. FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL M.TRUGLIO@COLLINGWOOD.SURREY.SCH.UK











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Fully qualified, local electrician; been in the trade for over 30 years. All electrical work undertaken - fuse board upgrades, extra sockets and lights, electrical safety checks, etc. No job too small.



Yoga at Heatherside



Mondays 8:00 - 9:15pm Thursdays 6:30 - 7:45pm

£12 per session

Heatherside Community CentreMartindale Avenue, Camberley, GU15 1BB

No drop-ins. Pre-book and pre-pay your place online.

For more information and booking, please visit www.yogawithedyta.com

or email hello@yogawithedyta.com for inquiries.



Sound Bath at Heatherside

slow down, unwind and immerse yourself in the healing power of sound & silence

Wednesday, 8:00 - 9:00 pm £12 per session

Haven House

at Heather Ridge Infants School Martindale Ave, Camberley GU15 1AY

For more information and booking, please visit www.yogawithedyta.com or email hello@yogawithedyta.com for inquiries.





POLITE NOTICE

Collingwood College BELIEVE SUCCEED

Please treat our staff with the same respect you would expect to receive.

Verbal and physical abuse will not be tolerated, in person or on the telephone.

We reserve the right to ask anyone giving verbal abuse to members of staff to leave the premises or end a telephone call. (The conversation will be continued at a more suitable time).

Please remember that all our staff are always trying their best and are here to help you and your children.

