

WEEKLY PARENT BULLETIN



CASTLE DONINGTON COLLEGE

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6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our weekly bulletin, providing you with a range of general information and forthcoming events at the college.

All years	<p><u>Communication with the college</u></p> <p>If you need to contact the college, you can telephone on 01332 810528</p> <p>You can also contact us regarding general queries: postroom@cdcollege.uk Please include the nature of your enquiry in the subject line of the email.</p> <p>You can contact us regarding absences: attendance@cdcollege.uk Please include full details and attach/screenshot appointment cards for our records.</p> <p><u>Admissions Consultation</u></p> <p>The School Admissions Code 2021 states that admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements at least once every 7 years.</p> <p>As such, the Governing Body of Castle Donington College seeks views on its admission arrangements for 2026-2027.</p> <p>A copy of the draft admission arrangements can be viewed on our website.</p> <p>If you wish to comment on the proposed policy, please complete this form by Friday 27th December 2024.</p> <p><u>Satchel One Login Reminders</u></p> <p>Pupils should log in to their Satchel One account via the “Office 365” function. Their username is their school email address and their password is the same one the user to access the school computers.</p>
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Friends of CDC Quiz and Curry Night

Last day for Buying Tickets is Saturday 7th December 2024

Friends of CDC presents

Curry Tonight

£12 per person

Quiz & Curry Night

12th December
Main Hall in Castle Donington College
7pm - 10pm

Tickets are £12 and can be purchased by using the QR code or at

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EDFI>

QUIZ

All profits made will be going towards sensory items for CDC

To book your ticket click here: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EDFI>

First Aid

We have a first aid email address where you can send any new or updated medical information for your child. This is helpful to enable us to help manage your child. Email: firstaid@cdcollege.uk

Data Collection Sheets

Please could you return any Data Collection Sheets as soon as possible. These have important information to keep our records up to date.

GCSE Exam Certificate Collection

Students who sat their exams in the summer of 2024 will be able to collect their official GCSE certificates from Reception between 9:00am and 4:00pm from Monday 25th November. Students will need to bring ID.

Advance Notice:

Christmas Jumper Day

On **Thursday 12th December**, the college will be supporting Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Pupils are invited to wear their favourite festive jumper instead of their college sweatshirt for the day. We would like pupils to bring £1 to college on 12th December as a donation. You can see more details about the appeal here: [Christmas Jumper Day 2024 | Save the Children UK](#)

Christmas Concert

This is on **Tuesday 17th December at 7:00pm**. Tickets are available through Parent Pay: £6 Adults, £4 for under 18s.

Last day of term

Friday 20th December is our final day of term. Pupils can opt to wear non-uniform, although this should be appropriate for college. Donations of £1 will go to the Student Council Fund.

On the last day of term pupils will attend lessons 1 and 2 as usual, they will all take part in a Christmas Quiz competition during lesson 3 and they will have lunch at the earlier time of 12:30pm. Pupils will be dismissed from college at 1:30pm.

A festive poster for a Christmas concert. The background is light blue with falling snowflakes and musical notes. At the top center is a school crest featuring a bird with wings spread over a shield with a cross, above wavy lines. The text is centered and reads: 'Christmas Concert 2024', 'Tuesday 17th December', and '7:00pm'. Below this, it says 'Tickets (order on parent pay) £6 Adults £4 Under-18'. A note states: 'Note: Tickets will not be available on the door. We will not be providing refreshments for this event.' In the bottom right corner, there is a blue phoenix perched on a small Christmas tree decorated with gold and blue ornaments and a blue ribbon.

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Scholastic Book Fair

The English department are very excited that the Scholastic Book Fair will be in school w/c 9th December. Students will be able to explore the shelves and purchase books of their choosing. Please note, this event will be cash only; correct amounts would be appreciated. (Pupils are able to reserve books early in the week and then bring in the money required to take their choices home).



Local Charity Fundraising Event

A 'Christmas Truck Run' is being held on 14th December 2024, starting at 3pm at the Red Lion in Kegworth. Donations will be in aid of Zephyr's a charity offering nurturing support to bereaved families. A flyer for the even can be found at the end of this week's bulletin!

Year 7

Pastoral Support

Please contact your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year (Mr Nelson) for any further support required in school. We would also like to hear of any success stories outside of school, so we can help to celebrate these achievements with our students.

English homework:

Ms Jones is offering KS3 homework support in her classroom (E3) every Tuesday lunchtime. If you need help completing your homework booklet, or require a quiet space to complete your work in peace, just pop along!

Year 8

Pastoral Support

Please contact your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year (Mr Canavan) for any further support required in school. We would also like to hear of any success stories outside of school, so we can help to celebrate these achievements with our students.

	<p><u>English homework:</u></p> <p>Ms Jones is offering KS3 homework support in her classroom (E3) every Tuesday lunchtime. If you need help completing your homework booklet, or require a quiet space to complete your work in peace, just pop along!</p>
Year 9	<p><u>Pastoral Support</u></p> <p>Please contact your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year (Mrs Danes) for any further support required in school. We would also like to hear of any success stories outside of school, so we can help to celebrate these achievements with our students.</p> <p><u>English homework:</u></p> <p>Ms Jones is offering KS3 homework support in her classroom (E3) every Tuesday lunchtime. If you need help completing your homework booklet, or require a quiet space to complete your work in peace, just pop along!</p>
Year 10	<p><u>Pastoral Support</u></p> <p>Please contact your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year (Mr Brown) for any further support required in school. We would also like to hear of any success stories outside of school, so we can help to celebrate these achievements with our students.</p> <p><u>Exam Access Arrangement Testing</u></p> <p>The Exam Access Arrangement Assessor will be back into Castle Donington College on Friday 6th December. The Assessor is making her way through the waiting list. Students to be assessed will be informed in advance of their allocated session.</p> <p><u>History Support</u></p> <p>Mr Hicken is now offering support for Year 10 students for GCSE History. Sessions will be in H1 from 1:40 on Tuesdays.</p> <p><u>Spanish</u></p> <p>Revision sessions are back on this week in L1 during Monday lunch time. Students can bring their lunch to eat.</p>

Year 11

Pastoral Support

Please contact your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year (Mr Purkiss) for any further support required in school. We would also like to hear of any success stories outside of school, so we can help to celebrate these achievements with our students.

Maths

Individual PinPoint learning accounts have now been updated following the Year 11 Maths Mock Exams. All Year 11 pupils have been given their username and password.

Year 11 pupils can now update their list of consistent weakness and attempt their individual 16-page booklets. These personalised booklets have been created based on the 5 weakest areas from each assessment.

The video link below explains how the PinPoint learning programme works.

[Supporting Year 11 Pupils with GCSE Maths final \(youtube.com\)](#)

Spanish

Revision sessions are back on this week in L1. Wednesday lunch time for Foundation tier and Friday lunch time for Higher tier. Students can bring their lunch to eat.

MFL Speaking exams

Please congratulate students on completing their speaking exams, it can be a very intense 30 minutes for them.

Students who have missed their speaking exam due to absences will still need to complete the exam, this will take place in an after-school session next week, please ask them to speak to their language teacher to arrange a suitable time.

Year 11 Prom

We are excited to announce that the The Year 11 Prom 2025 will take place on Friday 27th June 2025. It will be held at Derby County Football Club within the Dave Mackay Lounge. More info will follow early next week.

CHRISTMAS TRUCK RUN



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14TH DECEMBER
2024

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