

# NEWSLETTER



**CROWN HILLS  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
*A Specialist Sports College*

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# Mr Bailey Retires

## Mr Bailey retires from Crown Hills after 36 years



As you may be aware by now, our one and only Mr. Bailey will be retiring at the end of this term after having spent 36 years at the school from 1988 to 2024.

Mr. Bailey started his career at Crown Hills Community College as teacher of Humanities in 1988 and has worked his way up through the college to Vice Principal.

He has been an extremely valuable member of staff over the years and I know that many of you may have been taught by him.

Mr. Bailey had an extremely important role to play as part of our move from the old school to the new building and spent many hours dealing with contractors to ensure that your children had the best possible environment for their learning. He has brought tremendous wisdom and insight into the school during his time with us and will be missed by all.

On behalf of the governors and the staff, we would like to offer our sincerest thanks for all that he has done for our college community and we hope that he has an enjoyable and well-earned rest.

Miss Wright will be taking on the role of Vice Principal from September, she brings a wealth of experience as a Principal Examiner with AQA and of standards across the school, I am sure that you will make her feel welcome in her new role.

# TES WINNERS

## Staff Wellbeing School of the Year 2024!



On Friday, 21st June we had the pleasure to attend the TES Teaching Award night at the Grovesnor Park Hotel. We're excited to announce that we were presented as winners for 'Staff Wellbeing School of the Year'!

Judge of the awards and CEO at Education Support, Sinéad McBrearty, said; "Crown Hills Community College have really looked to embed a values driven approach to how leaders lead and that's permeating throughout the college into how the school is functioning. They've worked hard and put a pretty chunky budget in place for well-being, which is being used to support staff. Their approach is clearly paying off, as their retention rate is at 99%, which is phenomenal in the current context."

# Year 7 Trip to Hunstanton

All Year 7s went on a paid trip to Hunstanton for the day! You should have heard the “wows” as we turned the corner and saw the sea! As part of their #6YearJourney our Year 7s experienced the British seaside. They loved running around on the beach, making sand castles, finding shells and also enjoyed a scavenger hunt around the local area.

They also enjoyed an afternoon at the SeaLife Centre learning all about marine life, from far and wide.



## Year 9 Trip to Chatsworth House

As part of our #6YearJourney all 300 of our Year 9s went on a paid trip to Chatsworth House. An opportunity for them to experience the countryside and a different environment. There was lots for our students to see there. They took a tour of the gardens, saw the famous fountain and the sweeping landscapes and even fed some sheep! They enjoyed sketching the natural beauties that they could see around them and loved the art and history inside the house.



# Dance Trips

This half term some of our Year 10 Dance students have enjoyed a variety of different opportunities.

Firstly, after a visit from Strictly Come Dancing's Kai with BBC Radio Leicester, we were given 16 free tickets to the De Montfort Hall to watch Kai and Nadia's 'Behind the Magic' show. They were even lucky enough to meet Kai after the show and were interviewed by BBC Radio Leicester to give their thoughts on the show!

As well as this, some of our Dance students got the opportunity to perform at the Venue at De Montfort University as part of our 'Moving Together' partnership. This was a great experience for our students to perform on a stage to a large audience for the first time.



# Eid Celebrations

We celebrated Eid in school this half term. Our Year 10 students got to all enjoy a traditional Eid meal together.

This is part of our commitment to ensure that our students experience the main festivals of the different faith communities, which make up our diverse school.





## Care Home Trip

This half term, as part of our students' character education some of our Year 9 students got the opportunity to visit 'Greysford Hall', which is one of our local care homes. They took the experience in their stride and enjoyed chatting to residents. The care home have daily activities for their residents; our students got to take part in some gardening with them. We hope the visits from our students brightened their days.

## Student Voice

*Greysford Hall Care Home student voice June 2024*

*"I enjoyed the experience of going to the care home. The most rewarding part was when we listened to the elderly talk about their personal experiences and their past. It taught me how to be more kind and patient as they clearly wanted someone to listen to them. Before going I felt nervous but when I met the residents I became more confident as I got to know them".*



# #SUCCESSDAY2024



We believe in commitment: doing what it takes for as long as it takes. To achieve the highest scores the pupils must have had good Organisation, Uniform, Respect, Punctuality, Attitude, Class/Homework and Equipment. ('OUR PACE') Over 200 students have managed to be consistently committed to all aspects of school life. #SuccessDay included a BBQ, bouncy castles, sumo wrestling, obstacle courses, ice cream and much more! It's fantastic to see these students enjoying themselves. What's even nicer is how grateful and appreciative these students were: "This is the best day ever".

# YEAR 11 LEAVERS



This half term we held the annual Year 11 Leavers' Celebration. It was a fantastic afternoon celebrating the Class of 2024! It was a lovely send off for our Year 11s. Firstly, they enjoyed an assembly where 'most likely to' medals were handed out to students after a vote. Their form tutors gave them farewell speeches, they then enjoyed pizza and treats before receiving a yearbook courtesy of the school. After which, they walked out and collected an ice cream as they left. We hope that they left with the parting message that "The most important thing is your character". We thank them for the last 5 years and wish them the best of luck from all the staff here.

# Art Corner



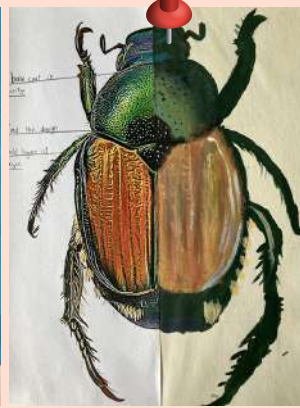
Mixed media stencil printing - Entwined Project N. Said Year 8



Hattie Stewart style celebrity - Pop Art Project S. Chothia Year 9



Shepard Fairey style celebrity - Pop Art Project S. Chothia Year 9



Beetle painted in acrylics R. Alam Year 7



Beetle painted in acrylics J. Adam Year 7



Hattie Stewart sticker designs - mixed media. Various students - Year 9



Watercolour on paper A. Shaikh



Mixed media drawing S. Bapary



Mixed media self portrait M. Patel



Mixed media stencil print S. Ali



London's National Gallery comes to Leicester! Scan the QR code to find out which 'national treasure' is currently on display in New Walk Museum, also keep your eyes peeled for family craft events hosted at the museum during the school holidays.

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