

9 December 2022



Callington Community College Newsletter

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

I always love the late Autumn term - the Christmas cards that are exchanged, the small acts of kindness (and the big ones - like the amazing Christmas hampers that are produced each year!) and the steady building excitement towards a holiday period that is targeted at thankfulness, family and joy. Christmas jumper day was a joyous activity with students wearing their Christmas attire in large numbers and delighting their teachers and tutors. This event also enabled us to top up those fabulous hampers and amongst very challenging times for all, we have surpassed our target and many, many families will benefit from your extraordinary kindness, thank you.

Our final week of term also represents week six of our behaviour reset. We have had WeST colleagues from the Trust come into the College frequently over this term to assist us in some curriculum areas and also, to assure us of improvements in behaviour. As I've stated before, the safe, respectful and committed behaviour of all ensures learning happens without interruption and aids children in enjoying school and striving for success. I am delighted with the commitment from both staff and students in securing these positive changes - the students report that they can move around the school easier and with less jostling and that their lessons are significantly calmer and they are learning more as a consequence. It is important for everyone to remember what a privilege learning is and the opportunity that it affords. Our use of Class Charts still supports the positive framing in our policy and affords children who consistently do the right thing, the 'thank you' from teachers for their commitment and effort. Each term, as well as our smaller, more frequent awards that are available for them to spend their points on, there will also be a large prize/event available for those who do significantly well. The winners who watched the first England football match of the world cup in the 6th form centre, each with a bag of treats, certainly enjoyed their award.

We return after the new year on Wednesday 4 January. I wish each of you a very merry Christmas and hope that it is restful and filled with happiness.

Many thanks to all of you for all of your support in 2022!

Regards
Wendy Ainsworth



"Everything is Possible"

Key Dates

- Tue 13 Dec: Year 7 & 8 Christmas Service
- Fri 16 Dec: Last day of term
- Tue 3 Jan: INSET Day - College closed to students
- Thurs 5 Jan: Year 12/13 Parents' Evening
- Thurs 12 Jan: PTFA Meeting
- Mon 23 Jan/Tue 24 Jan/Wed 25 Jan: ILP Review Meetings
- Mon 6 Feb: Parent Forum Meeting

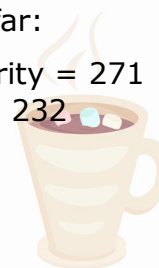


Rewards

Students have been busy redeeming their positive points in the 'Rewards Shop'. The most frequently redeemed prize remains the 'contribution to charity' option. What an inspiration our young people are!

Here's a breakdown on how the rewards have been redeemed so far:

Contribution to Charity = 271
Queue Jump Pass = 232
Chips = 82
Hot Chocolate = 23
Cream Tea = 14
Ice Lolly = 7
Highlighter = 3



Uniform Reminder—Jewellery & Nails

Students are permitted to wear a maximum of one small discreet stud earring in each ear and one finger ring of plain design, all of which must be removed for practical and PE lessons.

No other items of jewellery, including facial piercing jewellery or retainers are permitted under any circumstances. We accept no liability for jewellery brought into College.

Colourless nail varnish only may be worn. False nails or nail extensions of any description represent a health and safety risk and may not be worn. Students will be required to remove inappropriate make-up or nail varnish.

Our complete uniform guidelines can be found [here](#).

Class Charts Reminder

We use Class Charts to track achievement and behaviour throughout the school day. Teachers award achievement points which are shared with students, parents/carers, Tutors, Curriculum Leaders and Heads of Year to share in their success.



Class Charts improves home/school communication and we are able to securely share achievements with you and keep you up to date in real-time. You can access your Class Charts account [here](https://www.classcharts.com/parent/login):

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If you have not yet accessed Class Charts, please email data@callingtoncc.net for your access code.

Admission Arrangements 2024 –2024 Consultation

The DfE School Admissions code states that all schools are required to formally consult on admissions arrangements at least once every seven years or more frequently if a significant change is proposed. Callington Community College is entering a formal consultation process to consider an adjustment to our PAN (published admission number) to 180 for the Year 7 intake of 2024/2025.

[Callington Community College Admission Arrangements 2024/2025 \(DRAFT\)](#)

The consultation process will last for a period of 6 weeks from 6 December 2022 until 17 January 2023, we are inviting interested parties to provide feedback, you can enter any comments you wish to make [here](#).

Christmas Hampers

With an enormous amount of help and generosity from our wonderful community, we are putting together Christmas Hampers for a second year running, to help our students and their families to enjoy Christmas during these particularly difficult times.

We have received a huge amount of donations already and we are extremely grateful.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please visit our JustGiving page [here](#) or use this QR code.




Community Events

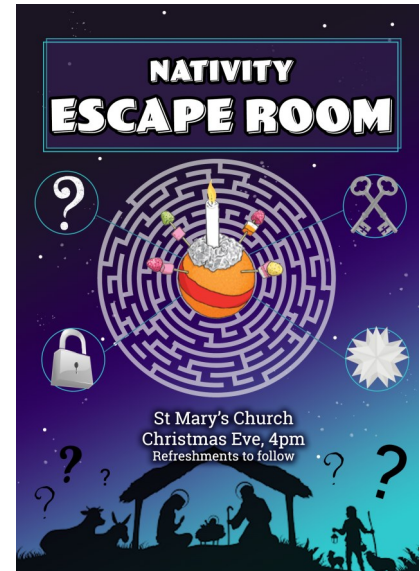
Colin's of Callington are running a 'Design a Window' competition for their January 2023 window. 1st place will win a £10 voucher to spend in store.

The template can be downloaded by clicking [here](#).

Name _____ Contact _____



Choose our January window display! Create your own display in the template above and we will choose one to re-create for our first window of 2023.
Let your imagination run wild! 1st prize wins a £10 voucher to spend in store. All entries must be completed and submitted by the 20th December.



Please let us know if you have an event that you would like to advertise, and we will do our best to accommodate your request. Whilst we are happy to consider any event, local events in the community advertised in our newsletter are not planned, staffed or endorsed by Callington Community College, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the College.

Parent Forum

An opportunity for the parents/carers and school to have an open and informal conversation, helping to better understand and support the students, families and community.

Please come along to any of the dates below, your voice matters!

6 February 2023, 13 March 2023, 15 May 2023,
26 June 2023

All welcome!

For any queries, contact parentforum@callingtoncc.net



PTFA

Want to make a difference?

Volunteers needed to help join our PTFA and raise much needed funds for our children and school.

Please come along to any of our meetings and help us find creative and fun new ways to make some extra cash that can be used to help fund school trips, enrichment days, equipment etc.

Our next one is at The Cornish Ancestor on 12 Jan 2023 at 6.30pm, join us for a drink, brainstorm and get to know us.

Let's help support the education of our children.