



CITY OF DERBY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

bringing news to our community

Issue 17 – Autumn 2022

Dear parents/carers, staff and students,

It's been a long but productive Autumn Term, and despite the dark nights and cold weather the CODA community have kept their spirits high.

Year 7 students have settled in brilliantly, and the Year 11 students have successfully completed their mock exams in November as part of their preparation for next year's final examinations.

We've welcomed new members of staff this term: Ms Parry (Head of History), Mr Hallett (Head of Geography), Ms Bennett (Teacher of Maths). Sadly, we have to say goodbye to Mr. Beech but wish him well in his new job. We also send our best wishes to Mrs Woods and her family as she begins her maternity leave.

There are so many reasons to be proud of our community, and this newsletter summarises just a few of the positive stories at CODA since the start of this academic year. As I'm writing this on the last day of term, Miss McQuilton is also busy coordinating the CODA Wellbeing Christmas Party charity event alongside our amazing Peer Mentors, one of whom is Harman K who has also got through to the final stage of the Derby Youth Mayor awards alongside only 3 other students in the city – an incredible achievement that emulates the success of a previous CODA student (Gloria O-B) who is currently Derby's Deputy Youth Mayor. Well done Harman!



Please have a safe, restful break. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2023.

Mr A Harding
Headteacher

The Message Trust

Students really enjoyed the band 'OTC' who came to talk to us about resilience and mental health. Students were very enthusiastic and remained a quality audience throughout the day. Well done CoDA - we're proud of you!



Mamma Mia

On the 2nd of November the Y11 Dance class went to the Lyceum Theatre in Sheffield to watch Mamma Mia. This is to help them gain ideas for their Unit 3 dances where they have to choreograph their own 7 minute dance.

All students we're outstanding and we're a credit to the school including Pru P feeding a homeless man some chips because he was hungry.

The students involved we're Shakina S, Estera S, Pru P, Amber A, Kaitlan S, Nina K, Charlotte D, Isabel W, Lizzie P and Vanesa B.



Netball Tournament

Miss Bulloch took the Y9 Netball girls to a tournament at Littleover. They have had 5 training sessions this year and came 5th out of 8 schools. Winning 3 of their matches against Cathedral, Noel Baker and St Benedict's. They were fabulous and did the school proud!



Prophet Mohammad's Birthday

We have had the privilege of celebrating Prophet Mohammad's birthday here at CoDA. There were a number of activities including a rose and card for every tutor group provided by As-Siraat. There was also a personal 5-minute video, from Mawlid in the City to CODA. We want to say a huge thank you everyone who coordinated the event. Great work.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Staff met for coffee at break time and donated the cost of their 'cuppa and cake' to Macmillan in the process. They raised a staggering total of £353.73. Thank you to everyone that came, drank, ate and donated.

The first National Macmillan Coffee Morning was in 1990. Since then, Coffee Morning has raised over £290 million for Macmillan.

We were very proud to be a part of raising money for such a worthy cause.



Music Success

Since the beginning of the academic year, Mr Stevenson has got a year 7-9 band, a year 10 band (known as The CODA Thrashers), and a small whole school string orchestra up and running. The string orchestra has been building their skills through free peripatetic sessions he is holding with them to help them feel confident enough to be in the orchestra. All of whom have had the opportunity to perform in the winter concert.



Doorways Derby Appeal

Amazing response from our generous staff that have contributed to the Doorways Derby Advent Calendar Appeal, who will be distributing them to children in the community.

Thank you CoDA for spreading the Christmas spirit to those in need.

Connect Trade Skills Transformation

As part of the Outdoor Learning Intervention and Curriculum Programme at CoDA Connect, Young people have been focusing on Trade Skills. This is looking at aspects of outdoor learning that could be traded or have a more vocational aspect to them. As part of the project students have identified the old (and extremely cluttered and dirty) compound as an area to transform into an outdoor workshop for Forest school and woodwork projects and transforming the old pond and fire circle area into a more stable dug out fire pit area to improve the safety aspects of campfire activities.

Students have been taking part in risk assessing activities, learning about how to use different tools safely, measuring, marking out and organising equipment safely, as well as planning out what they want each area to look at.

Most notably young people have tackled the messy and physically demanding work as a team all with allocated job roles tailored to their skills. A special mention has to go out to Dominik K who has become the honorary Deputy Project Manager for Mr Timmins having stayed multiple extra hours after school to work on the project and making the old compound area almost unrecognisable with his assistant James S. Well Done both of you and to all those that have been taking part in the project you should be proud of what you have achieved together. We will keep you posted on how the project progresses.



Extended Learning Displays

In September we started updating the display boards in Extended Learning with a display of Bitmoji's of all the members of staff.

This continued with including information on issues that affect our students daily including Autism, ADHA, Dyslexia, Dyscalculia, Dyspraxia and Attachment Disorder. We updated the display cabinets with events in October such as National Smile Month, The Harvest Festival, World Mental Health Day, Queen Elizabeth and our lovely school dog Sully.



In Excel we created displays with students on current events: in September these included, Recycling week and Deaf Awareness week. In October Dyslexia Awareness week, Black History month, Diwali and put up our very own display tree for Halloween. For Remembrance Day we changed the tree to a Memorial Tree and invited everyone to write a message on a memorial poppy and hang it from the tree.



Recently we decorated the Excel room and the tree for Children in Need and had a competition "Guess Pooh Bear's Age". The WINNER of the competition was Daisy W from Y8. Daisy came the closest with her guess of 24 years 270 days, He is actually 23.

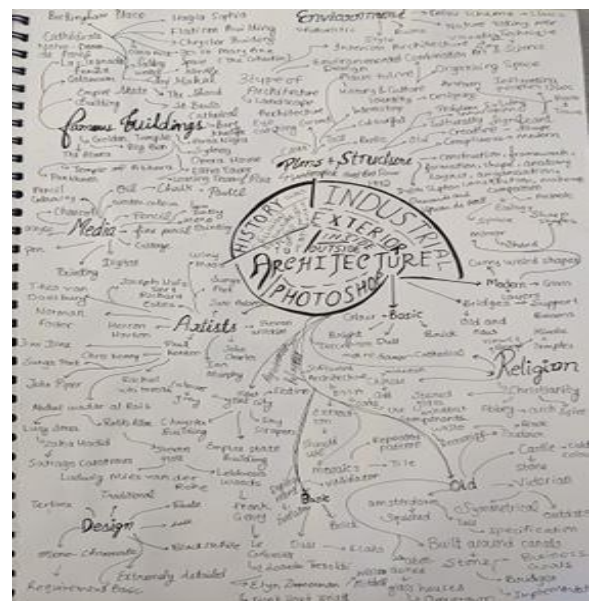
Thank you to all those that donated and took part.

Outstanding Artwork



Year 7's have finished their Art formal elements project off by experimenting with some clay hands and decorating them with colour. There has been some amazing outcomes and students got stuck in and enjoyed the process. Well done year 7's.

Now that's what we call a mind map, well done to Ramandeep K in year 11 for her outstanding mindmap.



English

The English department would like to say well done to all of the students this term! The following teachers would like to give a special mention to the pupils below for working above and beyond since the start of the year.

Mrs Goodman:

Jasdeep S	Y9
Mason G	Y9
Alex W	Y8
Kieran T	Y11
Jannat R	Y10

Miss Duke:

Gurmanjot K	Y7
Mardin S	Y7
Shakoor A	Y8
Allen L	Y8
Lerayah W	Y9
Arons B	Y9
Lily A	Y10
Sean B	Y10
Viktorija P	Y11
Jasmeet S	Y11
Ali I	Y9

Miss Wheatley:

Kieran TM	Y7
Jahdey D	Y8
Kyla T	Y7
Gabriel K	Y8
Helen C	Y9
Lukas K	Y9

Mrs Cunningham:

Aneta G	Y7
Madalina D	Y7
Tamika S	Y9
Hadi R	Y9

Miss Mallen:

All of 8AEN3. Really lovely term with these guys!

Oliver H	Y7
Romeo M	Y9
Hermione P	Y9
Naina S	Y9
Tom A and Kan A	Y9
Halimah S	Y10
Taranvir S	Y10
Abigayle H	Y11
Viktor K	Y11
L.J. E	Y11

Mrs Eatough:

Anas S	Y11
Dean W	Y11
Sajan R	Y11
Arshmeet S	Y11
Viktoria B	Y8
Keren A	Y8
Zahra S	Y9
Lucas B	Y9

Mr Hall:

Elise L	Y7
Oliwia R	Y7
Evie J	Y7
Freys S	Y10
Avineet K	Y7
Jovani A	Y11
Hilda A	Y11

Mrs Shepherd:

Sara B	Y11
Callum H	Y11
Riley H	Y10
Emanuela F	Y10
Muhammad A	Y9
Alina S	Y9
George B	Y8
Tianna B	Y8
Sahibpreet C	Y7
Aneesa B	Y7
Elliot S	Y8

Bedrock Report

Miss Duke and Mrs Eatough have been keeping track of our top performing students on Bedrock this term. Below are the top 10 students from each year group in KS3. They will be entered to a prize draw to win a Bedrock badge along with a £10 amazon voucher!

Year 7:

1. William R 7B1
2. Gurmanjot K 7A1
3. Sahilpreet S 7A1
4. Angelio D 7B4
5. Elisha B 7A1
6. Andrews B 7B3
7. Deep S 7A1
8. Jasraj KH 7A1
9. Klara F 7A1
10. Evija K 7B3

Year 8:

1. Elsie W
2. Sahib T
3. Kian G
4. Allen L
5. George B
6. Reece W
7. Christina A
8. Zuzanna G
9. Mohammed A
10. Leena A

Year 9:

1. Laiba Z
2. Lucas B
3. Lablin K
4. Neve B
5. Ishveer B
6. Sebastian B
7. Kianna H
8. Malaika Z
9. Urszula B
10. Mia S

Music

The CoDA Music Department held its first Winter Concert on the 14th December 2022 with the CoDA Chromatics Choir and instrumentalists playing.

The concert was a huge success and I want to say a big thank you and well done to all students who took part including Shannon M, Tiffany-Leigh H, Lerayah W, Ella H, Maisie P, Neve B, Summer K, Beth T, Matthew O'B, Alexis I, Emily D, Leah S, Freya S, Kim O, Rio Q, Rajvir V

Also a big thank you to the staff who stayed behind to support us – it means a lot to us, and the students.

Miss Bell, Head of Music and the Music Team.

CoDA Careers
Events & Activities

NEWS BULLETIN

**City of Derby Academy –Careers
Events and Activities Newsletter**
Just an update on the events and activities
that have been available to our students
helping to improve their life chances



HS2 Epic Engineers Event

Our students took part in the event that had been designed to inspire future engineers to become **EPIC (Extraordinary People Initiating Change)** sponsored by HS2. This event showcased the creative, technology-driven solutions used in rail and infrastructure industries and careers available within these industries. Students took part in design challenge workshops where they had to design and build structures to specific engineering stipulations.



Year 11 Royal Navy Careers Day

Tristan King from the Royal Navy recruitment team came and spoke to our Year 11 students regarding the various roles the navy plays and what careers are available within the Royal Navy.

Students also had the chance to take part in design challenge to specific engineering instructions to build a radio antenna in response to a fictitious crisis that the navy may take part in.





Year 9 Visits to East Midlands Airport

Students visited to the landside areas of the terminal (check in and arrivals hall), on a fact finding activity and had the chance to see people who work at the airport and find out about the various careers available within the airport.

The airport's fire brigade came to talk to our students regarding the role of a firefighter. Students had the chance to look around the fire engine and the different kit that it carries. They also had chance to have a go at using the fire hoses.



Employability Skills Event – Stepnell Construction

STEPNELL
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION PARTNER



Sue Woollett from Stepnell Construction came in to speak to our Year 9 and Year 10 students to increase awareness of opportunities and routes into the construction industry. She also spoke to students regarding important employability skills such as the importance of developing their personal branding and how to develop soft skills to increase confidence when applying for jobs and attending interviews.

Rolls Royce Rotatives Visit



**INTERNATIONAL
MENS DAY**



Some of our female students had chance to attend an event at their rotatives facility to help celebrate Rolls Royce's involvement in International Men's Day. International Men's Day was focussed on male issues that included recognising male role models. Working with UKGDN Rolls Royce wants to recognise "Male Allies" helping to improve the gender balance within the engineering industry. This event was organised to give girls the opportunity and importantly the visibility of the different career options to help to improve the gender balance within the engineering industry.



Our students had chance to look around the Exhibition Area and had chance to chat to some of the Rolls Royce apprentices about future career options. They watched the 3D printers in action and learnt how an engine works along with other various other STEM activities.



Motorpoint Automotive 30% Club Event **Inspiration for Innovation Network Inspiring Automotive Women Week**

Sponsored by



**INSTITUTE OF THE
MOTOR INDUSTRY**



Michelle Fielder Early Careers Partner for Motorpoint came into speak to our Year 10 and 11 girls regarding the Automotive 30% Club. Julia Muir founded this, with the purpose of achieving a better gender balance by filling 30% of leadership position with women by 2030 through a "30 by 30" strategy. An important part of this strategy is to "Reach Out" to attract more women into the automotive industry. Our students learnt about the various job roles and qualifications available to females within the automotive industry

SUBJECT	Websites recommended by teachers at CODA
Art (AQA)	www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/art-and-design/gcse/art-and-design-8201-8206
Business (Edexcel)	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z98snbk www.senecalearning.com https://businessed.co.uk/index.php/home/theory/gcse/edexcel-gcsetheory
English Literature (AQA)	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize www.sparknotes.com/lit/
English Language (AQA)	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
Food Preparation & Nutrition (AQA)	www.illuminate.digital/aqafood USERNAME: SCITYOFDERBY3 PASSWORD: STUDENT3 www.senecalearning.com Food Preparation and Nutrition: AQA GCSE www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zdn9jvh
French (AQA)	www.linguascope.com www.memrise.com www.languagesonline.org.uk
Geography (AQA)	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize www.senecalearning.com www.coolgeography.co.uk www.internetgeography.net/gcse-geography-revision www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035
History (Edexcel)	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize www.senecalearning.com
Mathematics (AQA)	https://mathswatch.co.uk www.mymaths.co.uk
Music (OCR)	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zv7gxyc www.youtube.com (search for OCR GCSE Music Virtual Textbook)
Resistant Materials (AQA)	www.technologystudent.com/ www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/resistantmaterials/ home.howstuffworks.com/ www.ergonomics4schools.com/ www.design-technology.org/
Science (AQA) Triple Science only: Biology (AQA) Chemistry (AQA) Physics (AQA)	www.senecalearning.com www.youtube.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • freesciencelessons (AQA 9-1 course) • Primrose Kitten (AQA 9-1 course) • Fuse School • Cognito • Don't memorise <p>Past Papers:</p> https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse Combined Science: Trilogy (double science) Triple Science ONLY: Biology, Chemistry, Physics
Sports Science (OCR)	www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-nationals/sport-science-level-1-2-j802-j812/

KEY CONTACTS




Derby Social Care
01332 641 172
 (Out of hours 01332 786 968)



BME FAMILIES AND NEW COMMUNITIES

Derby Bosnia-Herzegovina Community Association and Derby Refugee Forum 	Services to former Yugoslavia. Advice & information to Bosnian/ Serb/ Croat language. Food parcels, clothing, help to small new community ethnic groups.	www.bihcommunityderby.co.uk/ bihcommderby@hotmail.com 01332 347497 99 Curzon St, Derby DE1 1LN
British Red Cross 	Supports refugees and asylum seekers to access services to adapt to new country.	www.redcross.org.uk 01332 525423
Roma Community Care 	Grassroots community organisation for Eastern and Central European Roma people living in Derby.	www.multifaithcentre.org/projects/roma-community-care/ 01332 289818
Hamaari 	Support and advice for disadvantaged and socially isolated people from East Africa in Derby.	www.hamaari.org.uk/ 01332 342564 info@hamaari.org.uk 284 Normanton Rd, Derby DE23 6WD
Upbeat Communities 	A Christian charity that welcomes refugees and gives support.	www.upbeatcommunities.org 01332 360737 96 Whitaker Rd, Derby DE23 6AP
New Arrivals Team	Families and children who have lived in Derby for less than 12 months and need some support.	01332 640733 or 07812300516 newarrivalsteam@derby.gov.uk
Eastern European Network (EEN) Centre	Supports Eastern European's about crime.	01332 408228 Center.een@gmail.com

DEAF AND DISABLED CHILDREN

Umbrella 	Supports young people 5-30 years and families with disabilities.	www.umbrella.uk.net 01332 785658 admin@umbrella.uk.net
Funability 	Clubs, activities and trips for disabled children and young people aged 3-18 years.	www.stjamescentrederby.co.uk/fun-abili8y 01332 604080, Malcolm St, Derby DE23 8LU reception@saintjamescentre.org
Q-Club	Afterschool club for children with Autism, or additional needs, socially excluded, have disabilities or are young carers or bereaving.	www.derbyquad.co.uk 01332 285427 abbiec@derbyquad.co.uk

COUNSELLING SERVICES, INCLUDING BEREAVEMENT

	Free, safe and anonymous online support for young people.	www.kooth.com
Breakout	Provide care, planned treatment and advice to people under age of 19 on any aspect of drugs or alcohol misuse.	The space @ Connexions Curzon House 8 Curzon street Derby DE1 1LL 01332 623700 www.derbyshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/breakout/what-we-offer/
	Supporting young people affected by alcohol, drugs and gambling.	www.derbysubstanceuseservices.org.uk 0300 790 0265 derby@aquarius.org.uk
	Support for children and adults after the death of someone close.	www.cruse.org.uk 01332 332098 Helpline 0808 808 1677 derbyshire@cruse.org.uk
	A free, confidential counselling service, which focuses on unplanned pregnancy, miscarriage or termination.	www.talkitoverderby.com 0786 7470588 18 Curzon St, Derby DE1 1LL talkitover@hotmail.co.uk
	Counselling to 5 – 18 year olds to support to make sense of what is happening in their lives. (RELATE)	www.safespeak.org.uk 0800 093 5264 or 01332 349301 info@safespeak.org.uk
	Offer support to anyone who is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender or issues with identity.	www.derbyshirelgbt.org.uk 01332 207704 INFO@DERBYSHIRELGBT.ORG.UK

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

School nurse	Advice around sexual health, healthy eating, self-harm, emotional health, drugs alcohol and smoking.	Text 07507 327104
Safeguarding	City of Derby Academy	Mrs Grewal 07712 407863
Camhs Rise	Self-harm	0300 123 3124

Make sure that your children are safe when working on line

<https://youtu.be/BhLWwQ4Ay5s>

Childlines new coronavirus webpage

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/your-feelings/anxiety-stress-panic/worries-about-the-world/coronavirus/>

The association for Child Mental Health podcast for parents to be aware of their child's mental health

<https://www.acamh.org/podcasts/dr-jon-goldin-on-the-coronavirus-and-child-mental-health>

KEY DATES



School Term and Holiday Dates 2022-2023

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	CoDA INSET Day

	Week 1
	Week 2

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WK	April 2023						
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Uniform

Uniform can be purchased from our supplier - Schools in Uniform. Uniform can be ordered online at any time for home delivery, please visit: <https://www.schoolsinuniform.co.uk/>

They also hold monthly pop-up shops in school near the reception area between 3:15pm and 4:15pm, forthcoming shop dates are below:

- Wednesday 25th January 2023
- Wednesday 15th February 2023
- Wednesday 29th March 2023
- Wednesday 26th April 2023
- Wednesday 24th May 2023

Payments

We are no longer accepting cash payments for trips etc. ParentPay can be accessed via the Parent tab on the Academy website. If you are not able to make payments via ParentPay or have any queries please contact the Academy.

School Day Timings 2022-23

Time	Session
08:00 – 08:30	Breakfast Club
08:40 - 09:00	Form Time / Assembly
09:00 - 10:00	Lesson 1
10:00 - 11:00	Lesson 2
11:00 – 11:35	Break A
11:35 - 12:35	Lesson 3
12:35 – 13:35	Lesson 4
13:35 - 14:10	Break B
14:10 - 15:10	Lesson 5 – END OF DAY
15:10 - 16:10	Enrichment

Student Lockers

Student lockers are available in school for a small annual rental fee from Independent Locker Solutions Ltd. For more information please visit: <https://ilsschools.co.uk/>



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THE DANGERS OF FROZEN WATER

TOP TIPS TO STAY SAFE

NEVER GO ON THE ICE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES

This includes attempting to rescue another person or animal who may have fallen through the ice.

ONLY USE WELL LIT AREAS

Try to take walks in the daylight but if you must walk in the evening, only use well lit areas and avoid anywhere with water.

KEEP AWAY FROM THE EDGE OF THE WATER

Never go close to the edge or lean over to touch the ice. You may over balance or trip and fall in.

ALWAYS WALK WITH AN ADULT OR A GROUP OF FRIENDS

Look out for each other and if someone does fall through the ice there will be others around to raise the alarm and get help

Every year children are at risk when they are tempted to play on the ice formed on open waters and adults find themselves at risk as they attempt to save them. Over 50 % of ice related drowning involved an attempted rescue of another person or a dog.

Areas with frozen waters can be beautiful to look at but they are also extremely dangerous. Here are some useful tips to help you enjoy these areas safely.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FALL THROUGH THE ICE

Keep calm and shout 'help'

Spread your arms across the surface of the ice in front of you

Try to kick your legs and pull yourself out of the water and on to the ice

Lie flat, spreading your weight across the surface and pull yourself to the bank. you may find it easier to roll.

If you cannot climb out, wait for help and keep as still as possible. Keep your head above the water, press your arms by your side and keep your legs together

Once you are safe, it is important that you go to hospital immediately for a check up



WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE SOMEONE FALL THROUGH THE ICE

Shout for **'HELP'** and dial **999** or **112** if you can