

This Week at Derby Cathedral School

w/c 12 June 2023



In the New Testament book of Hebrews, chapter 12 verse 1 says:

"... let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

For us at DCS this means turning our backs on the things that might stop us from doing great things. Instead, we need to focus on all we can achieve through tenacity, hard work and compassion for others.

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

I hope that you have enjoyed this very hot week!

It's been the final exam week for the majority of our year 11 students, with just two final ones planned for next week. The exam window is a long time and they have shown a great deal of resilience throughout. We're really looking forward to their celebration afternoon on 22 June which concludes with a service at the Cathedral. This is a lovely way to mark the past five years of their time at DCS. It is all the more special for our very first cohort of students!

All of our other year groups have started their assessments this week too and we have been equally as impressed with their conduct during this time. Our external invigilators have also remarked on how much they enjoy working at DCS and how impressed they are with our students. A big well done to all. This feedback certainly demonstrates how our students are demonstrating their FAITH values – particularly 'Aspiration'. Their positive attitude also shows that they are in line with the Bible verse of the week. These times of assessment take tenacity and hard work. We also see students showing real compassion to each other too.

Whilst time always seems to speed up at this point in the school year, we still have a great deal to pack in. There are so many fantastic opportunities on offer for our students and it is wonderful to see how popular the history trip to the Battlefields is. Please do have a read about the year 10 Drama trip. We have also sent out information to all parents/carers of some other trip opportunities for next year in advance in order to help you make decisions.

I'm also so delighted with the students who applied for the Rolls Royce Apprenticeship scheme. Five of our students were successful which is amazing. There were only 20 places available across the whole city and DCS have five of these – it just shows how aspirational our students are and they really are making the most of these opportunities on offer.

I hope you all continue to enjoy the beautiful sunshine and have a great week

Mrs Brown

Year 10 Drama Trip

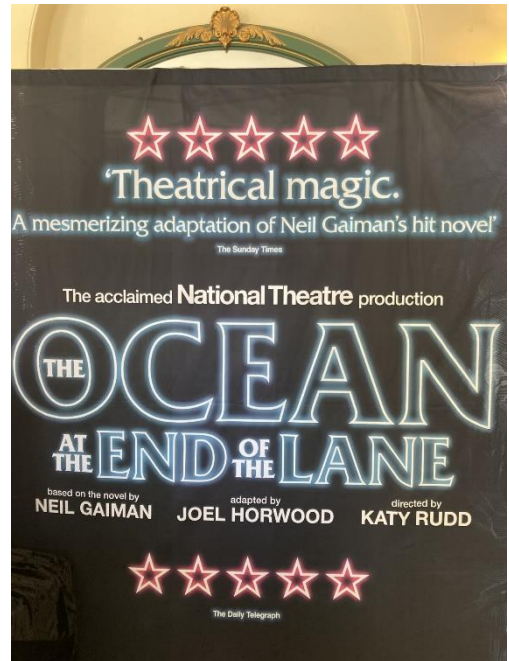
The Ocean at the End of the Lane

On Thursday 8th June Y10 GCSE Drama students, along with some of Y9 who have picked Drama as one of their GCSE options, went to Nottingham Theatre Royal to watch a production of The Ocean at the End of the Lane. This show began at London's National Theatre, and after rave 5 star reviews, it is now on a national tour. To say it did not disappoint would be an understatement! When it got to the interval, the students sat in front of me, turned around with their jaws to the floor and cried out "Miss! It's AMAZING!!!" and they could not wait for the second half to start. The effects used in the show were particularly incredible. The lights, sound, choreography, props and scenery were all timed and used so well with the actors' skills, that there really were jaw-dropping moments. Although I have worked out how they cleverly put together some of the moments in the production, there are still a couple that I just haven't figured out how on earth they were able to make that happen – leaving me to ponder over the magic that is live theatre. As part of the GCSE

Drama

written exam

you have to write about live theatre that you have seen; so Y10 will be able to use this experience in their trial exam on 16th June. And as for the Y9s – I certainly hope it has got them excited about taking Drama at GCSE!



Rolls Royce Apprenticeship

Over the past few months, a number of Derby Cathedral School students have been working hard on their applications for the Rolls Royce Young Apprenticeship Scheme. Following the initial application students were shortlisted and invited to a half day interview and presentation panel where they were set a series of challenges, activities and processes to work through. Our students were up against young people from throughout Derby in an incredibly competitive and challenging process designed to see who has the potential at this stage to complete a 1 day a week BTEC First award in Engineering.

The process is very challenging and highly competitive and unfortunately not all of our students were successful. We are so very proud of every student that took the time to apply and gave their all to their applications - we know that they have all gained some incredibly valuable life experiences in this process and praise them for the ambition and tenacity shown at this time.

We were thrilled to learn that five of our students were successfully accepted on to the course - an incredible number for one school! Congratulation to Caitlin Brewster, Rithika Nair, Carlos Caginga, Eimantas Samoska and Ashton Pritchard who will all embark on their young apprenticeship in September.

Careers

Years 9, 10 and 11 – Future Nurse Virtual Event

Please see the below details regarding a Zoom event all about pathways into a career in Nursing for Years 9 and upwards. If interested, please follow this link to register for a spot:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/east-midlands-future-nurse-tickets-646461683297>

International Women in Engineering Day at Rolls-Royce

To celebrate International Women in Engineering Day, Rolls-Royce are hosting a free event aimed at young females on Monday 19th June. This will be held at their Learning and Development Centre from 15:15-16:15.

It is a drop-in event containing stalls showcasing how Rolls-Royce design, develop, manufacture & service their products as well as the exciting opportunities for women in Civil Aerospace.

Please see the below link for further information. **You must register to attend this event.** No children under the age of 5 are permitted on site.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/international-women-in-engineering-day-event-tickets-640451948017?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshwebdesktop>



The poster for the 'Future Nurse' virtual event features a blue and white color scheme. At the top, it says 'LINCOLNSHIRE TRAINING HUB Primary Care Education' with a logo of three blue circles. Below this is a photo of a male nurse in blue scrubs. The main title 'Future Nurse' is in large blue font, with 'Virtual Event Via Zoom' underneath. The date and time are 'WEDNESDAY 28th June 7PM-8.30PM', and the target audience is 'Aimed at year 9+ students looking to explore careers in nursing'. A bulleted list of topics includes: 'Overview of access routes into nursing, courses and entry requirements', 'Day in the life of a qualified nurse', 'A look at the role of the nursing associate', 'Nursing associate apprenticeships', and 'Q & A session'. Contact information includes 'To book a place, visit: bit.ly/FutureNursesJune2023' and 'Contact for any questions: ruthpollack@nhs.net'. At the bottom, it lists partners: 'NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ALLIANCE TRAINING HUB', 'Northamptonshire', and 'General Practice Task Force Derbyshire'. Social media handles for @Lincolnshire and @LinFuture are also provided.

Years 10 and 11 – Open Day at YMCA Key College

If you are in Year 11 and still haven't got a plan for after you leave, or you are in Year 10 and want to start exploring options for Post-16 study, the YMCA Key College are holding an Open Day on 15th June to showcase their courses.

YMCA Key College is a small college specialising in entry level and level 1 courses and apprenticeships, with tailored support for students with additional needs. For more information or to discuss any of the above, please get in touch with Miss Rowley (Careers Advisor).





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Thursday 15th June 2023
12pm-6pm (Drop-in)

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DERBY Marble Hall 80 Nightingale Road Derby DE24 8BF	ILKESTON Rosscarberry House 4 Coronation Street Ilkeston DE7 5QH
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✉ training@ymcaderbyshire.org.uk ☎ 01332 854649 🖱 keycollege.co.uk

Scholastic Book Fair!

Summer Book Fair 19th/ 20th and 22nd / 23rd June

We will be running the next **Scholastic Book Fair** in school at **breaks** and **lunches** over four days of the week commencing **19th June**; with over **200 books** to choose from, students can find their next big literary love, continue with series they adore, or explore popular TikTok trends.

There will be **Wishlist** forms for students to hand to **Ms Christie** (LRC Manager) along with the wonderful title(s) they want; they can take the list home and books can be paid for online at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay. Once payment has been checked, students can claim their bounty.

Another way to pay is to use students' **Class Charts** points where **600** points will buy a book or stationery costing **£8** or less – again, students will fill in their **Wishlist** and hand it and the titles they want to **Ms Christie**. Admin will check if there are enough points and allocate them accordingly. Once cleared, the student may take their item!

Every book bought through the fair adds to DCS's earnings with Scholastic for **FREE BOOKS** for our school. Please buy what you can for your young person and expand their horizons through reading.

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- If you're unable to visit the Book Fair, your child will be sent home with a Wish List and you can pay for their chosen books using our online payment system. Please make sure the Wish List is returned to your child's school.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.

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Dates Ahead

For all key dates please see the calendar on the school website under the information tab:

<https://www.derbycathedralschool.org.uk/calendar>

Holiday & term dates

School closes for summer holiday: Friday 21 July (early lunchtime finish)

Scholastic Book Fair (in LRC) 19, 20, 22, 23 June

Year 11 leavers service: 22 June (details will be sent via email)

Year 12 Induction day: 26 June

Year 11 Prom: 28 June

School Blessing ceremony: 3 July

Year 6 transition days: 4 – 6 July

Enrichment days: 19 – 21 July (different timetable for students)

Parents' Evenings and INSET days:

Tuesday 27 June: Year 8 Parents' Evening – early finish for all students at 2.15pm

Friday 30 June: INSET day – school closed for all students

The term dates for next academic year are now available on the school website on the 'Term Dates' page.

Food Banks and 0-16yr old Clothes Banks

0-16 Clothes Bank – TOGS – Tel Anthea on 07989 117929.

TOGS is situated at 11-12 Friargate (opposite the Smith Partnership Offices) DE1 1BU.

Food Banks – Derby City Mission, 10 Normanton Road, Derby DE1 2GW.

Community Shop (no money needed) and Café on - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am to midday.

Food Bank and Debt advice (no appointment needed):

Tuesday 10 to midday	St Peters Church, DE1 1NN
Wednesday 10am – midday	St. Augustine's Church, Normanton, DE23 8BP
Wednesday 10am – midday	West End Community Centre, Mackworth Road (next to Britannia Mill). DE22 3BL
Thursday 11am - 1pm	St Phillips Church, Taddington Road, Chaddesden, DE21 4JU
Thursday 11:30am – 1:30pm (2 nd and 4 th Thursday of the month only)	Osmaston/ Allenton Children's Centre, 60 Cockayne St N, Allenton, DE24 8XB
Thursday 10am – midday	Bramblebrook Community Centre, Stockbrook St, Derby, DE22 3WH

Derby Food 4 Thought Alliance – Tel 01332 346266 – Emergency Food Assistance

Derby City Life Links - Tel 0800 0322202

Springwater Charity Chellaston – Tel 07832 653255 / 07311 465841