

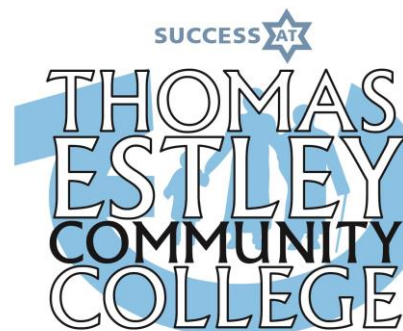
Welcome to our Thomas Estley
Newsletter
February 2024

**A Community of
Courage and
Commitment to
Success**

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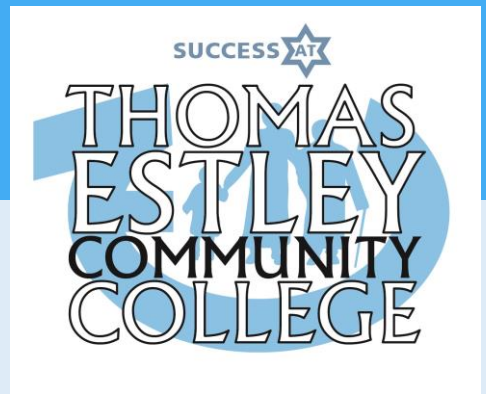
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Dates for the Diary



16 th February	College breaks for half term
17 th – 24 th February	Years 8-10 Ski Trip
19 th – 21 st February	Year 11 February Revision School
26 th February	College opens for second half of Spring Term
26 ^h February	Year 9 Arts Award Trip
26 th February	The Great Big Dance Off
28 th February	Year 10 An Inspector Calls (onsite)
4 th – 5 th March	PEPA Production
4 th – 8 th March	National Careers Week
11 th – 15 th March	National Science Week
14 th March	Trust Science Fair
15 th March	The Big Science Quiz
18 th March	Year 9/11 School Photographs
19 th March	Year 8 Careers Drop Down Day
20 th – 21 st March	Year 7 Remote Parents Evenings
21 st March	Year 7 PSHE Drop Down Day
22 nd March	College breaks for Easter
25 th March – 5 th April	Year 11 Easter Revision School

Do you know of any student successes that we could share and celebrate?
Please email your information, ideally with photographs to:
PatothePrincipal@thomasesstley.org.uk



With the spotlight on Year 11 both in this newsletter and in terms of current college examination planning, it is worth reflecting on the difference that smart preparation makes to achieving strong results.

In our Year 11 GCSE mindset assemblies, we focus on strategies and techniques to maximise test outcomes, from breathing techniques through revision timetable planning to hints for remembering and retaining knowledge. This week our focus is on chunking goals, using time positively, and visualisation, all useful strategies. Research shows that the most powerful revision tool is exam question practice and our Year 11 holiday schools start next week, incorporating lots of support in this area.

However, a healthy lifestyle, including a good work life balance, hydration, exercise and nutrition also contributes to success, and we can begin these good habits at any age. I hope that the half term break provides all of our young people with an opportunity to recharge and return refreshed and ready to make the best progress possible.

Mandi Collins, Principal



Christmas Fun

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Christmas Dinner Fun ...

Our students enjoyed a tasty Christmas lunch freshly cooked by our in-house catering staff - even Santa made an appearance...



Some of our Thomas Estley students visited **Sutton in the Elms Care Home** to take their travelling carol service to the residents. Highlights included a capella singing from the Glee Club, solo vocalists and instrumental performers and some sing along Christmas favourites, much to the delight of all present.




The doors to our classrooms were transformed for our Christmas Competition. Here is a small selection 😊



Pre-School/Out of School Club Christmas Fun



Preschool magic! So delightful to welcome in Christmas with Christmas songs in the drama studio - and fantastic confidence in front of an audience of over 100 parents and relatives. Well done pre-schoolers, great singing!

It was such a delight to watch and hear some of our pre-schoolers singing Christmas carols to our Friday Luncheon Club as they enjoyed their Christmas Dinner 



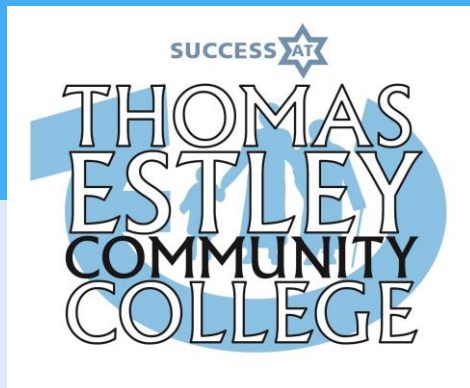
Out of School Club had lots of Christmas fun! Some of their activities included craft, Christmas tree decorating, wreath collage and lots of glitter! They also made pizzas and hid the naughty Elf.

Here are some lovely photos of the pre-schoolers last few weeks last term. Their first job was to decorate the tree, which they did brilliantly. There were lots of Christmas themed activities, including Santa land small world; the children helped to make a snow covered house to complete it. Children had the opportunity to make cards and calendars, as always making them totally individual to themselves.

They finished the term by making reindeer food to help guide Santa's reindeer to their homes. Children all received certificates for their fantastic Christmas song performance to parents too.



Spotlight on Year 11



We are very proud of our **school holiday sessions** that we run for our **Year 11** students. Please see below the schedule to assist you in planning your family holidays. We do highly recommend that students attend these sessions as direct teacher facing time is the most beneficial type of revision.

All sessions run from 10am - 2pm with a working lunch and short morning break. Students will need to make their own way to and from college and will need to bring a packed lunch as no catering facilities will be available. Uniform is not required.

A booking form has already been sent to parents via Parentmail early in the new year to secure your child's place. These sessions are very popular so please book early to avoid disappointment. You can also book on these sessions here :

<https://forms.office.com/e/ZtznSYeVqk>

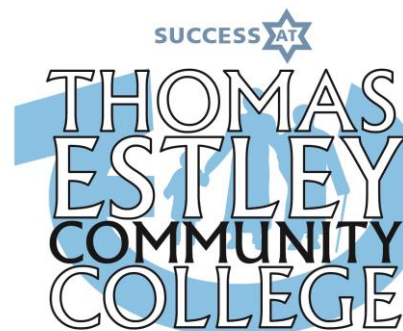
If you have any questions please contact Mrs Hartley (jhartley@thomasesstley.org.uk)



FEBRUARY REVISION SCHOOL

Date	Staff Delivering	Subject
Monday 19 th February	Mr Curtis	Resistant Materials
Monday 19 th February	Mrs Burnett	Textiles
Tuesday 20 th February	Miss Kav	Sports Studies
Tuesday 20 th February	Miss Bancroft	Dance – Practical
Wednesday 21 st February	Mr Corner	Chemistry

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EASTER REVISION SCHOOL

Date	Staff Delivering	Subject
Monday 25 th March	Mrs Hartley	Health & Social Care
Monday 25 th March	Mr Virk	PE GCSE
Tuesday 26 th March	Mrs Hartley	Child Development
Tuesday 26 th March	Miss Lee	Psychology
Wednesday 27 th March	Ms Handley and Mrs Ducey	Maths (Higher)
Wednesday 27 th March	Miss Plumb	Music
Thursday 28 th March	Mrs Morgan	French
Thursday 28 th March	Mrs Cornelius	Spanish
Tuesday 2 nd April	Mr Timmins	Computer Science
Tuesday 2 nd April	Miss Bancroft	Dance (Practical)
Wednesday 3 rd April	Mr Timmins	Creative iMedia
Thursday 4 th April	Miss Little	English Literature (aiming for 5)
Thursday 4 th April	Miss Little	English Literature (target 6-9)
Friday 5 th April	Miss Strudwick	Art

MAY REVISION SCHOOL

Date	Staff Delivering	Subject
Tuesday 28 th May	Mrs Young	History
Tuesday 28 th May	Mrs Roberts	Geography
Wednesday 29 th May	Mr Ansley	Physics
Thursday 30 th May	Mr Ansley	Biology
Friday 31 st May	Ms Handley and Mrs Ducey	Maths (Foundation)
Friday 31 st May	Miss Bancroft	Dance (Theory)
Saturday 1 st June	Miss Little	English Language (aiming for 5)
Saturday 1 st June	Miss Little	English Language (target 6-9)

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Celebration Event

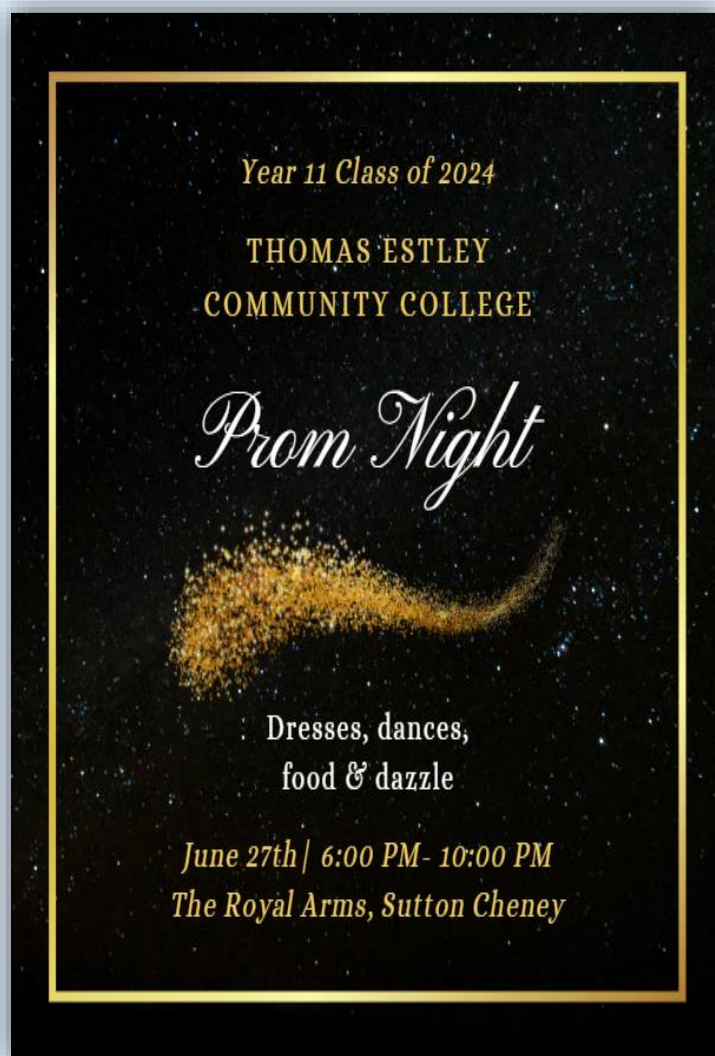
Prom tickets are now on sale for Year 11 students on Parentmail. The Prom will be held on **Thursday 27th June at The Royal Arms Sutton Cheney** <https://www.royalarms.co.uk/>

The Event runs from 6pm - 10pm and is priced at **£42**. We have managed to get some sponsorship to keep the cost as low as possible, however, venues are charging more due to their overheads increasing.

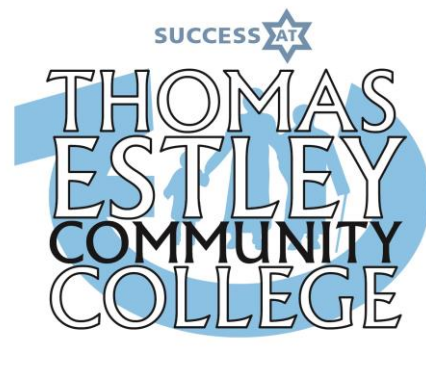
The students will have a mocktail on arrival and canapés with a red carpet reception. They will also enjoy a 2 course evening meal with an award ceremony, prizes and entertainment. The students will need some money for additional soft drinks and to purchase the professional photographs on the evening if they wish.

The ticket is available to buy outright or in instalments and all must be paid by the **24th May 2024**.

If you have any questions, please email me on jhartley@thomasesstley.org.uk



Year 10 Mock GCSE Exams



Please see below the **GCSE Mock Timetable** for Year 10. These exams will be taken in full exam conditions and students will also be in receipt of their entitled exam concessions eg extra time etc.

These exams are crucial in informing sets for Year 11, GCSE foundation/Higher Tier entry and also for predicted grades that go to post 16 colleges. Alongside this, in the unlikely event that GCSE exams are cancelled; they are used as evidence to award grades.

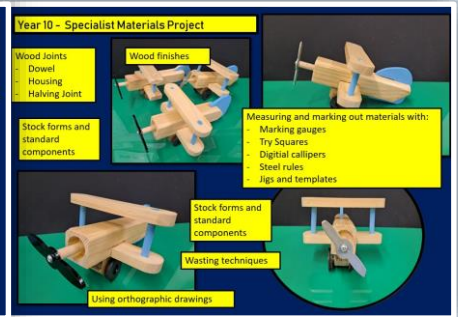
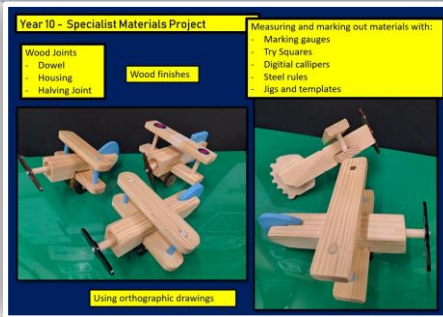
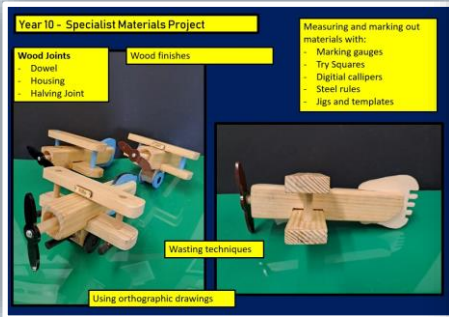
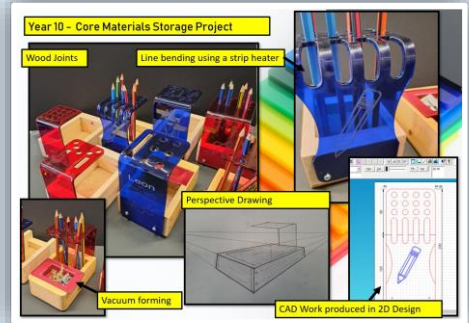
Students will attend lessons each day around their Year 10 Mocks and should attend Tutor Time as normal each morning. Please make particular note of afternoon exams that finish after the buses have left for the day. Students who normally get a school bus will need to make alternative arrangements to get home on these dates.

If you have any questions regarding the Year 10 Mock examinations please email jhartley@thomasestley.org.uk.

Date	Start	Length	Subject	Start	Length	Subject
Mon 17 Jun	09:00	2hrs	English Lang	14:00		None
Tue 18 Jun	09:00		None	14:00	1hr	Geography
Wed 19 Jun	09:00	1hr 45mins	History	14:00	1hr 30 mins 1hr	Citizenship GCSE PE
Thu 20 Jun	09:00		None	14:00	1hr 45mins 1hr 45mins	Bus Studies Music
Fri 21 Jun	09:00	1hr 30mins	Maths	14:00	45mins 35mins	French Listening H French Listening F
Mon 24 Jun	09:00	1hr 45mins 1hr 15mins	Biology CS: Biology	14:00	1hr 20mins 1hr 20mins 1hr 30mins	DT: Res Mat DT: Textiles Economics
Tue 25 Jun	09:00	1hr 30mins	Maths	14:00	1hr 30mins 1hr 20mins	Psychology Hosp & Cat
Wed 26 Jun	09:00	1hr 45mins 1hr 15mins	Chemistry CS: Chemistry	14:00	1hr 30mins 1hr 30mins	Computer Science Dance
Thu 27 Jun	09:00	1hr 30mins	Maths	14:00	1hr 45mins 1hr	Drama Creative iMedia
Fri 28 Jun	09:00	1hr 45mins 1hr 15mins	Physics CS: Physics	14:00	45mins 35mins	Spanish Listening H Spanish Listening F

Year 10 Resistant Materials students have successfully completed their first 2 units of work. Unit 1 focusses on specialist processes related to timber. Students have been learning how to make a range of wood joints, select stock forms of material and use wasting processes to create a bi-plane. In unit 2 students learn how to use CAD to create precise laser cut components and form thermoplastics using a vacuum forming machine and strip heater.

We are really impressed with perseverance and mature attitude students have taken during their practical sessions.



At Thomas Estley, we would like to show the hard work that goes on behind the scenes of the fantastic products we make in ADT, so here are a few of the final designs which our **Year 9 Textiles** students have produced recently. The students have to use all of their research to develop a specification and then develop a final design solution that suits their client and all points on their specification. They aim for GCSE standard and very often achieve these results - we are very proud of them.

Year 9 Textiles Final Design



Curriculum: Designing for a client's needs and wants, designing to a specification.
Skills: Communicating ideas through words and sketches, freehand sketching, annotation, justifying design decisions.



Thomas Estley's winner in the **Trust Photography Competition** was Patrick pictured here showing respect for another culture.



An enthusiastic group of **Year 7's** had a morning out at a local **Escape Room, Breakfree Leicester**. Their problem solving skills were certainly put to the test but sadly not all of the groups managed to escape within the hour. Huge determination and team working skills were shown by all.

On the 13th February, a group of **Year 10** students took part in a trip to **Oxford University**. On arrival, we had a 10-minute walk through the historic streets of Oxford before arriving at St Edmund Hall. Here the students were given a talk about university life, the funding available and how Oxford University welcomes applications from all students. We then had a tour of the college and an opportunity to ask student ambassadors questions. Lunch was provided in the College Hall.

After lunch, students were presented with an interactive science challenge, based on the concept of an escape room, but the students had to complete a number of chemistry-based puzzles to crack the codes on the padlocks and get into the box to create a formula to save a poisoned professor! These were very challenging puzzles, but our students rose to the challenge and impressed the Chemistry Department!

It was a very busy, enjoyable day that provided our students with a real insight into what university is all about and the vast range of courses on offer and provided inspiration and motivation for future pathways.



Thomas Estley is proud to present this year's musical theatre production: **Into the Woods JR.** This will take place Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th of March at 6:45pm. Tickets are on sale from college reception: £6:50/£4:50 concessions 01455 283263 or email admin@thomasesley.org.uk

Into the Woods JR. is family show, led by some of our fantastic Year 10 students, suitable for all ages, that you won't want to miss. Get your tickets now!



**THOMAS ESTLEY
PROUDLY PRESENTS**

Tickets are now available from
TECC reception.

Monday 4th March &
Tuesday 5th March

Curtain up at 6:45pm

Tickets: £6.50/concession £4:50

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Well done to this term's Thomas Estley achievement point winners 😊



We are very proud of our Thomas Estley students, who regularly represent the college at events and community outreach. Pictured here are some of our **Subject Area Student Ambassadors**, who hosted our recent **Year 9 Options Evening**, explaining and demonstrating KS4 courses to younger students and their families. Well done to you all.



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Our amazing **U13 Girls Footballers** are through to the last 16 of the National Cup after a very close match against Arnold Hill Academy from Notts. Ria put us in the lead from the Penalty Spot after Lily was brought down in the box. Arnold Hill equalised soon after to take it to half time all square.

The second half was end to end, both sides having chances. Just when it looked like we were going to the dreaded penalties, the Arnold Hill keeper made an outstanding save from Ria's great shot and Freya was on hand to hit the rebound into the bottom corner.

The girls were stunning today. We are so proud of them. The whole squad were awarded joint players of the match.



We are so proud of our footballers. They represented Leicester City at the Eastern Region tournament at Doncaster Rovers FC. Beat Mansfield 2-0. Drew with Grimsby, Derby, Lincoln & Doncaster, and lost 1-0 to Hull, Notts County & Burton. A great effort from the girls on what was a freezing cold day.

The girls should be so proud of themselves.

Our **Girls Football League** matches got underway with all three of our league teams playing Brockington. Our U12 and U16 teams both played some very competitive football, unfortunately both teams losing 1-0 despite having many more chances on goal than Brockington. Our U14 team made up mainly of our talented U13 squad fared much better. A very comfortable 7-0 win with goals from Lily (2), Ria (2), Freya, Liv and an OG. It was great to see so many girls representing the College in competitive sport this week. We are very proud of you all! U12 player of the match went to Honey, U16 went to Jasmine and the U14 went to the whole team as many were playing out of position and were still amazing.



We have had a Thomas Estley **U15 and an U13 Cricket Team** in action at indoor fixtures with lots of students attending the training at the Leisure Centre. Our U15 team played some fantastic cricket. Some exceptional performances but unfortunately lost to Leicester Grammar School. Lots of positives to take from the games, though. Our U13's beat Lutterworth College and only lost to Leicester Grammar by one run, so a very productive trip out.



With the same courage and determination, the summer cricket season looks very promising. Well done to all who took part, we're very proud of you.



A great performance from our **U14 Girls Football Team**. A 3-0 win in the League against Robert Smyth. Goals for Belle, Lydia and Liv. The girls really put a shift in, with the strong winds adding some challenge. Well done, girls. Player of the match went to Belle whose work rate was stunning tonight.



Our **U13 Girls** are **Blaby U14 Futsal Champions** after a 6-1 win over Brockington. Goals for Belle (2), Lily (2), Evie and Freya.

They meet the Harborough Champions after half term in the District Final. Well done Girls  





Our **Year 8 Boys Football Team** played in their District Cup Final against Kibworth. Last year they lost at this stage to Lutterworth High School so hoped to go one better. After a very close match unfortunately the boys were beaten 1-0. We are so proud of them though. A great group of boys who have given their all. Huge thank you to our volunteer Alfie for making the journey possible for them; we really appreciate all that he has done. Heads up boys; be proud of what you have achieved.



Our **U13 Girls Football Team** bowed out of this year's National Cup competition after a close last 16 match away at The Bicester School. We are so proud of the journey they have taken us on this season and they should hold their heads high. Another great team display: end to end football with chances for both teams.

Player of the match went to Evie in defence, who worked her socks off. Well done girls.

Year 11 Netballers have gone out on a high in their final Netball outing at Tommo, winning the Leicester Grammar School Plate Tournament with wins against Leicester Grammar B & C teams and Stoneygate.



Both our **U12 and U14 Girls Football Teams** were in action against Welland Park. A great performance from both teams. Our **U12's** notched up their first win with a brilliant 6-0 victory. Goals for player of the match Freya (2), Ava (2), Scarlett & Honey. It was great to see the hard work they have been putting in at training pay off.

Across the field our **U14's** were dominating their match. A 4-0 victory that didn't reflect just how much possession we had. A great display. Goals for Niamh (2), Lily & Belle and a player of the match performance from Rose. The U14's have won their league and wait to see who they meet in the district final after Half Term.

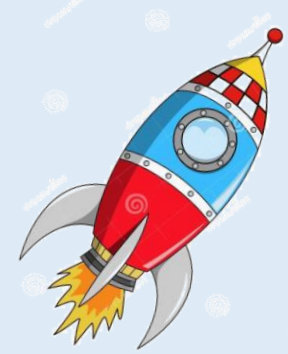
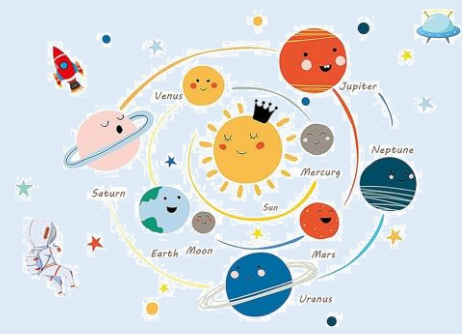


7 KS3 students took part in Thomas Estley's first ever **Swimming Gala** at Leicester Grammar School. The students showed resilience and determination, and were a brilliant representative of the school. Well done all, you were fantastic.



Thomas Estley **Preschool** are looking at Space this term. This is linked to children's interest, which was sparked by a new rug in preschool. Children are helping the adults to create mobiles for a space themed reading corner. They have looked at pictures in space books and talked about what they think might be happening.

They have also created aliens using lots of different mediums, introducing lots of lovely new vocabulary to describe space and aliens. The children are also working on a rocket, using a large cardboard box and collage techniques, which will eventually be hung from the ceiling. Some real awe and wonder!



Student Leadership / Primary Masterclass

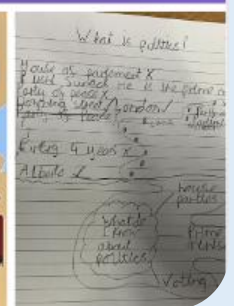


Just before the end of term, some of our **Year 9 Sport Specialisms** class took part in a leadership project, where they organised and carried out a mini-Olympics for 47 year 4 pupils of Old Mill. All of the students from Thomas Estley showed leadership and professionalism, with the teachers from Old Mill commenting on how excellent all of the students were.

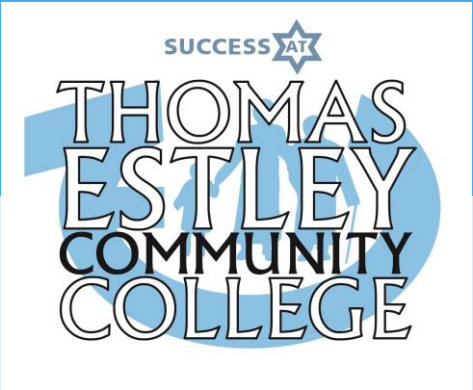
Well done to all of our leaders at Thomas Estley, who went above and beyond to ensure it was a success. Well done to all the students at Old Mill, who thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Citizenship and Leadership: We invited Year 5 pupils from our feeder primary schools for a Citizenship Masterclass. They started off doing a quiz about politics, then went on to learn about voting, how the government works, why we pay taxes and about the law. They were all so engaged, asking lots of questions and why things happen. At the end they had a discussion about what they would like to change if they could. This led to some great ideas and good discussions. They really enjoyed the lesson and also have some wonderful knowledge to build on when they are older.

Thank you to our primary transition leaders whose help is not only essential but helps the learning to be so enjoyable too.



Staff Wellbeing Conference



Thomas Estley was delighted to host the **South Leicestershire Staff Wellbeing** training. Staff from twenty five local schools trained together today to learn to best support each other in the workplace, enabling them to be the best educators for our young people.



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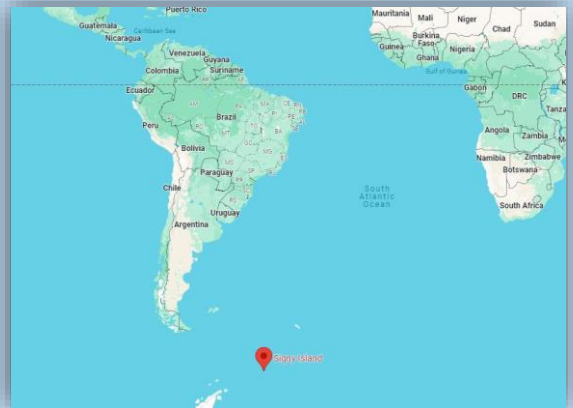
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Year 10 Child Development are working on their coursework which explores the development of the child from 0-5. We are focusing on the stages and types of play and how play can benefit areas of development. We looked at some popular toys and enjoyed learning through play. The students will now go on to write a play plan to support the development of their target child. Many thanks to our lovely pre school for supplying us with some toys and to our pre school children who made us promise to bring them back!

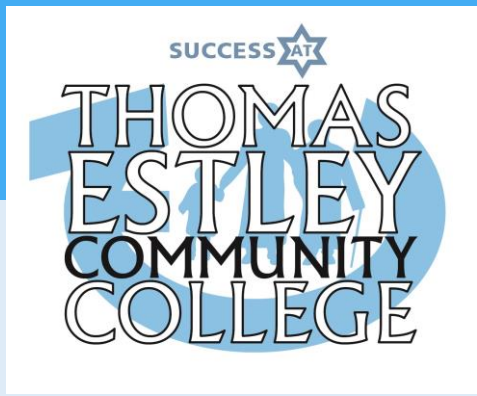
Flags designed by two of our Thomas Estley students have arrived in Antarctica! The flags were taken to Signy Island, a British research station (<https://www.bas.ac.uk/.../sites-and-.../facility/signy/>) The flags were taken by Derron Fox, a Marine Biologist. He is working with Chinstrap Penguins who are nesting ready to have their chicks, and Adelie Penguins. Congratulations to our flag designing students - Louisa Hudson and Poppy White. What an achievement!



Elsewhere in College ...

A new star for the new year! Our 2nd Autumn Term Faculty star was **Year 7 Harry**. A very hard working student across all areas of the department. Harry attends Musical Theatre, Dance, Glee and Samba clubs. He is both a music and sports leader and is part of our school production this year - Into the Woods.

Well done Harry - a great first term in PE & Performing Arts.



We are feeling very proud of Lottie, Anna and Rosy, Thomas Estley Young Reporters, whose mini sagas have been selected to enter a published book for the company **Young Writers**.

Well done to you all 😊



Congratulations to three of our Thomas Estley students who won prizes in the **Rotary Young Writer** competition with this year's theme 'Rebuilding' with many of our students having submitted entries. The judges visited this Friday to provide feedback and award prizes to the top three: 1st Alyssa, 2nd Aidan and 3rd Lottie. Alyssa is through to the regional final. We are very proud of all three of you.

Our fantastic **Thomas Estley Library** always has targeted reading recommendations around interests and current events. Displays are currently featuring Tiktok recommended reads as well as some really impactful and thought provoking books with the events of the Holocaust as their focus, with this week featuring Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Our Librarian Mrs Gibbs is always happy to recommend individual books to suit interests too.



Elsewhere in College ...

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This season's national **ESFA PS5 FIFA Competition** is underway, including at Thomas Estley. Well done to all who are taking part. There was a real buzz of excitement whilst the games were being played. Congratulations to Phoenix, Leo, Ethan T and Ethan B who are through to the Quarter Finals.

Jay and Aleksander played in our Birkett House Centre Final. Jay winning on penalties and then we had our Girls Final, again it went to penalties between Ria and Izzy. Ria victorious and through to the National Finals in May which will be played at West Bromwich Albion.

We are very proud to have had some of our students chosen to carry out the national ESFA draw due to our success in the junior FA cups and tournaments.

<https://www.youtube.com/esfatv> This is the link for the National cup draw which starts at 5pm on Monday, if you would like to watch them. Maggie, Violet and Ria were fantastic ambassadors for the school - well done to all of you.



Our Thomas Estley **Year 10 GCSE Dance** students enjoyed a Dance experience day at De Montfort University. The day included workshops in Afro-beats, Musical Theatre and a Contemporary repertoire and creative class. Students were also treated to a performance from the 3rd Year Degree students.

It was a great day and Miss Bancroft was very proud of the Year 10 students' mature and professional attitude.

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Our **Thomas Estley Library** is celebrating Valentine's Day with book blind dates! Students read the personal ad (brief synopsis of the book) and then decide from that which book to borrow. Only when the book has been checked out can they unwrap it to see what the book is. So far every 'blind date book' has been borrowed, with more being prepared for their dates this week.



Grace in **Year 11** had a fabulous show picking up 3 awards while competing at **show jumping** where she gained 6th, 7th and 12th place in some big classes of more than 95 competitors.

Love is in the Air!
Our Reception Team came dressed for love on Valentine's Day. This fitted in well with their 'On Wednesdays, we wear Pink' theme.



Huge congratulations to **Year 11** Isla who has recently made her debut for the Leicestershire County Rugby team.

Well done Isla, we are really proud of you.



Mental Health

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2024

WHAT IS MENTAL HEALTH?

Mental health includes our emotional, psychological and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others and make choices. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through to adulthood.



Did you know?

One in **five** children aged 5 to 16 were identified as having a probable mental health disorder in 2023. That's **6** children in every classroom!
(Source: Mental Health of Children and Young People Survey, NHS 2023)

SIGNS TO LOOK OUT FOR

There are lots of different ways that poor mental health in young people can present.

This includes;

- Crying more than usual or persistent sadness
- Disrupted sleep patterns
- Difficulty in concentrating
- Losing interest in friends and other things they like doing
- Being reluctant to talk
- Irritability and aggression, particularly if this includes unprompted outbursts.
- Changes in appetite or rapid weight loss or weight gain.



THE NHS HAS MORE INFORMATION ON SIGNS TO LOOK OUT FOR [HERE](#)

More information can be found here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/children-depressed-signs/>

<https://timetotalkday.co.uk/>



ADVICE AND SUPPORT

There are a number of services and charities that can offer advice and support on all areas of mental health in young people. Click on the logos to head straight to their website!

YOUNGMINDS



FIND LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT [HERE](#)

Place2Be's CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
5-11 FEB 2024

Key February dates

- Time to Talk day - 1st
- Children's Mental Health Week - 5-11th
- Safer Internet day - 6th
- Eating Disorders Awareness Week - 25th-2nd March

TIME TO TALK DAY. FIND OUT MORE [HERE!](#)

The Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week takes place from the 5-11th February and aims to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health. Now in its ninth year, they hope to encourage more people than ever to get involved, spread the word, and raise vital funds for children's mental health. Find out more about how you can get involved [here!](#)




LET'S GET SOCIAL



THE GOING VIRAL SPIRAL



No way she posted that
1 hour ago



Who would let that pic be online
1 hour ago




Attention seeker!
1 hour ago



More please!
1 day ago



How embarrassing
30 minutes ago



She's gonna flip when she sees that
1 hour ago



Ha ha. Thanks for sharing
6 hours ago



Like it!
2 hours ago



I think I know that girl
6 hours ago



Wonder if she knows how many people have seen it?
7 minutes ago



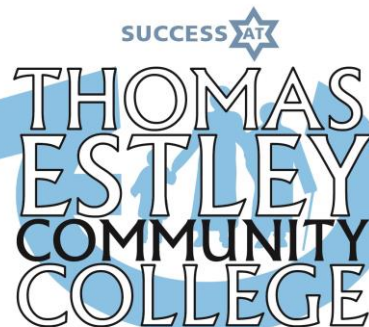
Everyone knows THAT girl!
Just now

SHARE WITH RESPECT

On social media think about...

- ...what you share,
- ...who you share it with,
- ...who might see it in the future,
- ...how it makes you and others feel,
- ...what impression it gives.

Interested in a Career in Teaching?



MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY ...

Are you interested in finding out more about training to teach locally?
- Contact Jo at Achieve with TELA

Achieve with TELA provide teacher training in local primary and secondary schools with our partners at the Leicester and Leicestershire SCITT.

Jo can answer any questions you may have:

- Can I afford to train?
- Are any bursaries available while I train?
- What is the course structure?
- What qualifications do I need?
- How do I apply?
- Are there any age limits?

Visit our website telaonline.co.uk

Contact Jo Robotham

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ACHIEVE WITH TELA TEACHER TRAINING

GET INTO TEACHING EAST MIDLANDS EVENT

Join our Achieve With TELA team for a chat about a possible teaching career. We will have experts in the teacher training profession available for your questions. We look forward to meeting you.

-  **Tuesday 05 March**
-  **5PM - 8PM**
-  **THE GRAND HOTEL
LEICESTER**

For More Information :

-  **01455 283 263 Ext 0286**
-  **telaonline.co.uk**



Don't Forget!



SUCCESS AT

THOMAS ESTLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

If a student feels unwell at college they must report to Reception and ask to be seen in the medical room. If necessary the college will phone home to seek advice or to ask for the student to be collected.

Please remind your child that they must follow the procedure above and not contact you themselves.

Thank you!

Absence during term-time

If your child is too ill to attend college please contact the college on the first and each subsequent day of absence and leave a message on the 'absence line'. We will contact you by text message if we have not been given a reason for absence - please telephone us in response to the message. Where possible, please make medical appointments outside of college hours.

School Closure Procedure

In the event of the weather causing the school to close or causing a problem with school transport we will put out an alert via Parentmail

Holidays Taken in Term Time

Government guidelines, which came into effect on 1st September 2013, prevent Headteachers from granting any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances (a family holiday does not fall under this category). If a student has an absence recorded as a result of an unauthorised family holiday, Leicestershire County Council will be advised of the matter and will be requested to issue a Penalty Notice, in line with their policy.

College closes to students on Friday 16th February and re-opens on Monday 26th February



Mobile phones

Students are not allowed to use mobile phones in college unless they have express permission from a member of staff (for specific learning activities in lessons, as an optional way of accessing them, when allowed to do so). This is to protect students' learning and is in line with our safeguarding policy. Mobile phones used in contravention of the mobile phone policy will be confiscated until collected from reception by a parent/carer. For persistent abuse of the policy a student will lose the privilege of bringing a mobile to college.



School Transport

If your child travels via 'school transport' it is a good idea to have a contingency plan with your child, for getting to school/home in the event that they miss their bus for any reason.



Headphones/Ear buds/Air pods

The use of headphones/ear buds/air pods are only permitted outside of the college building. Any that are visible inside college will be confiscated and, on the first occasion, will be returned at the end of the day. On any subsequent occasion they must be collected by a parent/carer.

