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# College Newsletter

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**February 2023 Edition**

**Welcome to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Parent and Guardian Newsletter of the term! We are delighted to share with you all the exciting things that have been happening on campus this month.**

## Health & Social Care

This month we also had a brilliant Health & Social Care conference - featuring guest speakers, a Health & Social Care careers fair, CPR sessions and specialist workshop sessions!

To kick off the conference we had guest speakers come into college to give talks on the different professions within Health & Social Care! Then we had the Health & Social Care Fair, where the guest speakers and ex-students came in to discuss the opportunities available to our current students!

Right at Home Sefton and Smart Rethink led CPR sessions for Southport College and KGV students! And finally, the conference finished with specialist workshops in the tower block that focussed on blood pressure, hand washing and physiotherapy!

Well done to Lindsey Sutton and the Health & Social Care team for organising this conference, we all definitely learned a lot about the industry!



## Volunteers Fair!

For our final fair of the month, we had the Volunteers fair!

For this event we had a number of organisations come into college to discuss with students the volunteering options available to them and the benefits these experiences have to their careers. This was a fantastic event and all of the volunteers were extremely helpful!

Well done to the team organising the event, it was a pleasure to see all the students having a great time and learning about the volunteering opportunities available outside of college!

# Where's Wally World Book Day

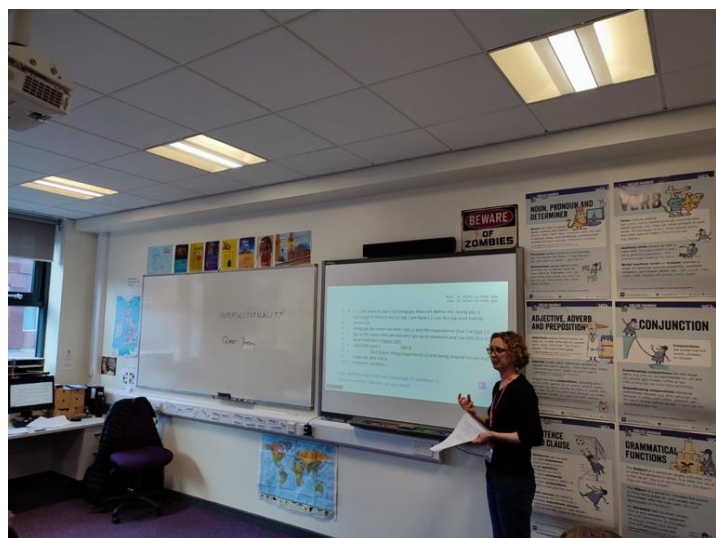
World Book Day took college by storm this year with various different activities going on across campus.

For the first time ever, we were delighted to be able to offer digital World Book Day book token to any of our students who wanted them. These can be exchanged at local book retailers either for a free book from a special selection or £1 off a book of your choice.

The progress tutors and library study team created a great display all about their favourite books and encouraged everyone, whatever subjects they study, to read something different for pleasure. Plus, for a bit of fun, members of the college support team dressed up as Where's Wally!



## Guest Speakers galore!



This term we've been lucky enough to host a number of different guest speakers on campus that have come in to speak to our students! KGV's Graphic Design and Illustration students received a special visit from illustrator Helen Poole.

With over 20 years experience, Helen specialises in taking books from blank page to print, creating the text, illustrations, layout design and formatting. A huge thank you to Helen for taking time out of her busy schedule to talk to our students.

It was also great to have Cambridge University on campus helping out our Year 12s and Meols Cop visitors in their further education aspirations with an "Applying to Competitive Universities" Talk!



Finally, our English Language class featured a great guest speaker: Dr Lucy Jones. Visiting from Nottingham University, Dr Jones gave our students a talk on Language, Gender and Sexuality.



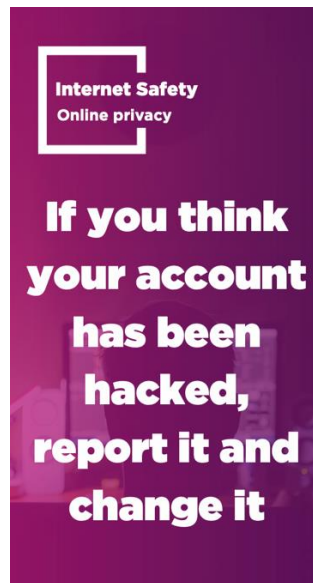
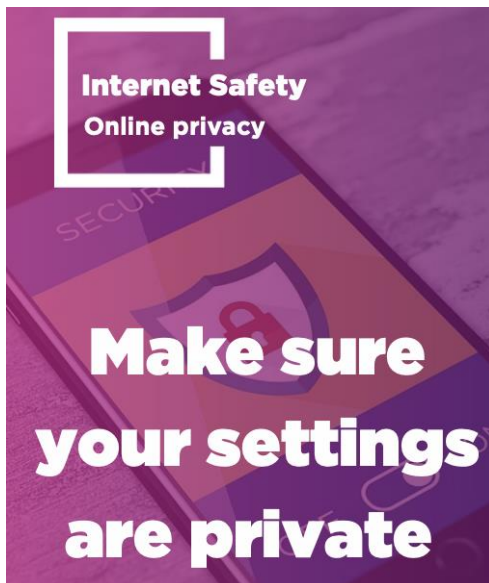
# LGBTQ+ Heritage Week

This month we focussed on LGBTQ+ Heritage in college. Students looked at the developments of the community within the country from 1885 all the way to now!

We also focussed on some of the hidden histories of LGBTQ+ people in the country, to shine a light on lesser-known stories!



# Online Safety Week



In February we also celebrated Online Safety Week! A week where we encouraged students to learn about the risks and realities of online safety and how to make sure they're not in danger!

This initiative launched a new safeguarding series on the social media channels to help educate students on the common pitfalls of online safety and we're really happy to be able to reach students both in college and online to spread this information!

# Mental Health Awareness

Another awareness week that ran through the month of February was Mental Health Awareness Week!

Throughout this week we provided informational materials to students on what to do if they face issues and who to speak to within college for help with their mental health.

We also took this time to promote the Kooth online service, to help connect our students with a free online tool that is designed to help them manage their mental health.

