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PROUD Silver Awards

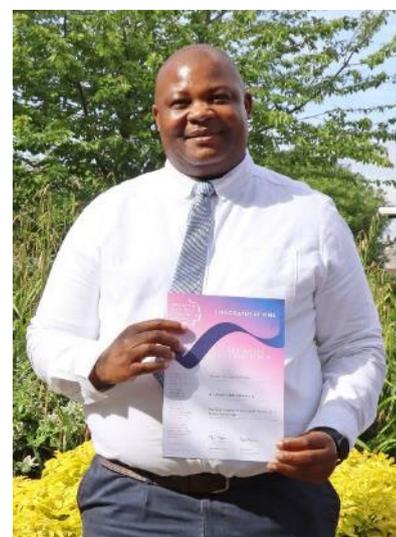
As part of our focus on students' Attitude to Learning, this week we acknowledged the achievements of a number of Year 8 students for their exceptional Attitude to Learning and who have featured as one of the top twenty students in their year group, for the second term in a row. They were presented with their Silver PROUD pin badges by Head of School, Mr Taylor, at a special awards breakfast to recognise their achievement. Congratulations to Faith, George, Charlotte, Katie, Ruby, Joshua, Ronnie, Athena, Ethan and Rory.



Pearson Teaching Awards 2022 Double Celebration

Clacton County High School is exceedingly proud to announce that Religious Education teacher and subject leader, Andrew Chitsakamile, has been announced as a runner-up in the category of **'Secondary School Teacher of the Year'** by the Pearson Teaching Awards 2022. He was delighted to receive his **'Certificate of Excellence'** from Neil Gallagher, Executive Headteacher, as part of the wider celebrations for yesterday's national 'Thank a Teacher Day'. The awards are nationally recognised and an annual celebration of exceptional teachers and teaching, acknowledging the life-changing impact of an inspirational teacher on the lives of the young people they teach.

Leaders from our VI6 Partnership were also celebrating after picking up a **Silver Pearson National Teaching Award** in the category of **'The Award for Impact through Partnership'**, in recognition of the collaboration between five schools and the University of Essex. The innovative partnership, incorporating Clacton Coastal Academy, Clacton County High School, Philip Morant School and College, The Colne Community School and College, Thurstable School and the University of Essex, was set up to support sixth form subjects where there is traditionally low uptake in any one school, but with teachers and students teaming up for lessons held at the University, around 180 students are now benefitting from the unique opportunity.



Neil Gallagher, Executive Headteacher Clacton County High School said *"The VI6 Partnership is now an integral part of the post-16 offer of all the partnership schools. Not only does it allow us to viably deliver post-16 learning in some 'smaller volume' subjects, delivered by excellent teachers from across our schools, it is opening really exciting school to school; MAT to MAT (Multi-Academy Trust) dialogue about learning and teaching."*

Lucy Murray, Director of Outreach at Essex University, added: *"The VI6 project is an important part of our outreach activity with local schools and colleges and we are delighted that it has been recognised with this award. As a University, we strive to raise the aspirations of young people with the potential to go*

to University, regardless of what their background is. VI6 demonstrates how, by working together and being innovative, we can all support young people to succeed."

As a Silver Award winner, the VI6 Partnership is now shortlisted to win one of just 16 Gold Awards later in the year.

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Multi-school Council – Inclusion Day

The inaugural 'Inclusion Day' took place this week, when over two-hundred and fifty Multi-school Councillors, from across Essex, converged on Braxted Hall, near Witham. The special fun day, to help celebrate inclusion and diversity, was organised by the Essex SEND Strategy and Innovation team, along with numerous agencies who helped ensure that everyone had an enjoyable and inclusive day. Our councillors joined students from thirty-seven other primary, secondary and special schools with one goal in mind - to celebrate that everyone is different with their own, individual need. This could be just general support, someone to talk to, a group where they can feel accepted, a hobby they can concentrate on, or something they can do to lift their state of mind. Spread over four activity zones the students spent the day designing, making, playing and enjoying the wide variety of activities that children of all ages and abilities could participate in together. They even had the opportunity to work with some very special therapy dogs!



The Essex Multi-School Council aims to help break down perceptions towards children with SEND and mental health difficulties in schools and their wider communities. Children from mainstream and special schools meet regularly throughout the year to learn more about each other and put their plans in place for making a difference. Not only does the Council help break down perceptions, it provides young people with an opportunity to improve their confidence, to develop their personal and social skills and to promote important values like democracy and tolerance. Throughout the day, Multi-school Council Ambassadors, Paralympians, war veterans and other celebrities spoke about their own journeys to help inspire and help build confidence. An enjoyable action-packed and fun day was had by all!



Congratulations to Connie and Martha for their award 'for sharing their creative thoughts and ideas throughout the day'.

CCHS Word of the Week

After half-term our 'Word of the Week' will be **Dictator**

Pronunciation: DIK-TAY-TOR

Meaning: a ruler with total power over a country

Etymology: from Latin 'dictat', meaning 'dictated'

In Use: 'Hitler and Stalin are two of the most notorious dictators in history'

Leaving Us.....

Today we say goodbye to our long-standing Assistant Attendance Officer; Nic Nundy, has been helping to look after all of our attendance related issues for almost 7 years. We wish her a fond farewell and good luck in her future career.



Half Term & Platinum Jubilee Holiday

We finish today for the Whitsun half-Term and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holiday.

We are **back to school on Monday 6th June** for seven action-packed weeks, until the start of the summer holidays; end of term is Thursday 21st July.

Friday 1st July – Non-Pupil Day - this is in lieu of the additional Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday which occurs next week whilst we are already on holiday.

Please Note: There are numerous revision sessions scheduled for next week for students taking exams after half-term. These have been arranged individually between staff and their students and are by invitation only. If you are a parent of a student who has been invited, can we urge you to impress upon them the importance of making the most of this additional support. Remember, staff are prepared to give up their holiday and family time to commit to their students and we hope that the students show their appreciation by attending.