Skills Centre Stage

Derby College was one of just six colleges nationally and the only college in the East Midlands to be invited to take part in the showcase of World Skills London 2011.

World Skills London 2011 was the largest international skills competition in the world with young people from 50 countries competing in 45 different skills areas over four days to be the best in their chosen vocation and Derby College was part of the exhibition accompanying the skills competitions.

Fashion Retail students highlighted how women should dress for their individual shapes with an exhibition and catwalk show and Beauty Therapy students invited visitors to have a go themselves at a number of treatments including nail wraps and clay masks.

DIY SOS

Ten staff and students from the plastering department at Field Road, Ilkeston, were due to appear on television this New Year having worked alongside Nick Knowles and the team on BBC’s popular ‘DIY SOS’ programme.

Billy Byrne, the team’s resident electrician, said: “The students have done a fantastic job and we couldn’t have transformed this house without them.”
**News in Brief**

Horticulture students have created a garden at Ilkeston Community Hospital for use by patients, visitors and staff.

- Public Services students played the part of an angry mob at the training exercise at HMP Ashwell in Rutland as part of a crowd control training day for officers from regional police forces.
- Golf Academy student, Chloe Stokes was crowned Girls East Midlands Collegiate Golf Champion at Morley Hayes Golf & Leisure complex and will now go forward to the ECG National Championships to represent the East Midlands region next Spring.
- Joseph Wright A level student Ciara Brightin has performed on stage at Her Majesty's Theatre in London's West End as part of a national Stage Coach production. She and other Derby members sang songs from 'The Witches of Eastwick'.
- More than 350 construction learners attended a roadshow by Milwaukee and Pro Trade where they watched demonstrations and tried out a wide range of hand and power tools – all of which were offered at a discounted price for students and their employers.
- Derby College Student Union President Ben Thompson has been awarded the Young Achiever award by the Derby Black History Month Group. Ben, who was nominated by the College, was presented with a hand carved trophy at a celebration event.

**Children in Need**

Students and staff pulled out the stops for Children in Need and used their fund raising experience to go towards an Enterprise qualification as part of their courses.

- A wide range of students including business, catering, sport and hair and beauty, have raised more than £600 for the appeal with activities ranging from making and selling cupcakes and cookies, beauty treatments and a Play Station challenge.

**Lucky Charm For New Building**

Equine students have secured their very own lucky charm in the foundations of the new indoor arena which has been built at the Broomfield Hall land-based campus in Morley.

- The Horse Management students placed a horseshoe, donated by Payten, one of the Equine Centre's favourite horses, lucky side up in the foundations of the new £650,000 indoor arena which was completed in December.

**Sponsored Row**

Sports students from Derby College completed a 12-hour non-stop sponsored row at Asda in Spondon to raise money for two health related charities and for a trip that they are planning to Kenya this Easter.

- Around 20 students took it in turns to work out on a rowing machine at the entrance to the store and are hoping to raise at least £1,500.

**Stewarding Support**

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**JWC Grand Day Out**

More than 1000 students took part in the first ‘Joseph Wright Centre Grand Day Out’ as part of the induction activities.

- The day included competitive activities and the winning team won the new ‘John Mooles Award’ in memory of the maths teacher who died earlier this year.

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A Level Success at Derby College

The largest ever cohort of A level students at Derby College’s Joseph Wright Centre have achieved a 99% pass rate for the third year running this summer.

Nearly 400 students collected their results from the city centre campus.

Nineteen subjects saw 100% pass rates including all the Science and Maths subjects. Furthermore, 65% of Maths students achieved A or B results which was, according to Head of Faculty Kate Martin, a fitting tribute to Maths teacher John Moakes who died suddenly on July 12.

Twenty two students achieved the new A* top grade in a variety of subjects including Sociology, Business, Law, Fine Art, Maths and the Freestanding Project.

Among the successful students were:

Kanish Jones (18) from Derby, a former pupil at Bemrose Community School gained A levels in Law (A), Psychology (B) and English Language (C) and is now studying Psychology at Nottingham Trent University.

Michael Thomas (18) who was also home schooled. He achieved an A* in his first year and has now added further excellent grades to his name earning him a place at Lancaster University to study Mechanical Engineering.

England Call Up

Sport Student Peter Burgoyne made his debut in the summer for the England Cricket Under-19 team and is hoping to join the squad on international tours this winter.

Peter plays for Derby Cricket Club and represented Derbyshire at a junior level before being selected to play for the county side at the age of 17.

“I am hoping to get a regular place both in the Derbyshire team and the England under-19 team in the coming year and am training hard...