



Strangford College - Supporting, Promoting and Sharing Kindness



<u>Subject</u>	<u>Theme</u>
Drama	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We gave positive praise + feedback following all of our performances• PD class created short scenes on kindness + being a good citizen• Year 9 are working on an anti-bullying unit + talked about being kind to each other• Form Class completed kindness wheel. Teaching assistant gave each student a packet of sweets. Some students gave staff a sweet. An overwhelming amount of gifts were brought in by the students for the blessing bags

RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The RE department have been discussing homelessness with the students in class and making them aware of homelessness in Northern Ireland. We made Blessing Bags to distribute to the homeless over the festive period. At present we have 391 Blessing Bags. Students and families helped in production lines to create the bags, as well as bringing in donations and also created Blessing Bags at home. • We also practised positive, kind feedback on each others work.
Art & Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 13 and coffee group were treated in class to tea and muffins - yummy!
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior pupils learned about American Lieutenant Gail Halvorsen's act of kindness for children during the Berlin Airlift.
MFL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 9 had a French breakfast and created food themed French bunting.

English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 designed a wall display based on the novel 'Wonder'. They developed synonyms for the phrase 'Choose Kind'. They also made coloured wheel designs of how they could be friendly to Auggie (the protagonist in the novel), if he were in our class. • KS3 classes linked Anti-Bullying Week and Kindness Week together to develop and perform scenarios they produced on these topics.
HE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HE Department have been offering after school sessions for coursework guidance. Miss Purvis has supported a student in practicing for Food Practical exam. • Staff have covered classes in the dept so staff have the benefit of planning something to promote their own well being. • Past pupil came into school to talk about sixth form HSC and how this has linked to the course of study she is now taking. She gave lots of helpful hints on how to make the most of study time and sixth form opportunities • A sixth form student who we no longer teach called in to ask how staff were and brought us some nice chocolates! • Technician baked at home for all staff for wed break time
ICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In liaison with RE department, ICT in junior school created posters to celebrate kindness week.

Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replaced paper towels with hand towels. Bought chocolate for GCSE students and form classes. Made students hot chocolate. Shared cake/ buns and breakfast with staff in ICT and Science.
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With the Year 9 students, we practised different gymnastic moves. This resulted in us spelling out kind phrases with our bodies to promote kindness in the College.
Form time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 10N discussed their class poster: 'Seize the Day' and how kindness can be spread.• 11R - Everyone picked a name out of the hat and pledged to do a small act of kindness for that person this week.• 10R - Written letters of thanks to members of staff who have helped them since joining Strangford.• 11T - Miss Humes treated the pupils to a hot chocolate cone with hot chocolate, marshmallows and a Freddo to combat the cold weather.

Other ways to promote kindness across the College

- In Scripture Union this week the topic is: *Is God Kind?*
- Scripture Union posted pictures and verses around the College on kindness.
- Staff wall created in staff room with photos of teachers and teaching assistants over the last few years, and staff can add comments. They are humorous and light-hearted to help create a bond of friendship and discussion.
- As part of Kindness Week, the sixth form pastoral team put together a hamper of treats for students to enjoy in common room. We wanted to let them know how appreciative we are of the fantastic group of young people that we have the privilege of supporting.
- A lovely hamper of pampering goodies was left in the ladies staff toilets.
- Form classes who achieved the best attendance in October were invited to the canteen for a hot chocolate and marshmallow morning.
- Celebration of ICT completion winners who successfully completed a number of challenging ICT tasks on Google classroom including, *Where's Wally*, *Identify the Celeb* and *Name the Country*.
- Strangford Superstars were identified in Year 8 and awarded with certificates and promoted on our social media accounts.
- Social media was updated regularly to promote kindness and the activities that we were involved in.
- Thoughtful Remembrance Assembly to remember those who have lost their lives in war, saying thank you to those who have fought or are still fighting for peace today and remembering the freedom we have because of the sacrifice of others.

Evidence



Sixth form with their kindness hamper for the Common Room



Tea and muffins for the Year 13 Art students.



Spelling out kindness in PE



French bunting and breakfast



Remembrance assembly



ICT Prize winners



Hot chocolate morning for attendance



Strangford Superstars



391 Blessing Bags so far for the homeless



Blessing bag donations from the Strangford College community