



UKLC

Nantwich, Reaseheath College

Centre Handbook

2024

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Thank you very much for your interest in our centre at Reaseheath College. We hope you find everything you need in the following pages but if you have any questions or specific requests then please get in touch with us at Head Office on 0044 1244 577995.

The contents of this handbook are updated regularly. The latest version will be sent before your arrival.

We look forward to a successful summer 2024 at Reaseheath College.

Summary



College



Intensive English



Drama



Dance



Leadership and Life Skills



Short Transfers

The Centre

Reaseheath College is an agricultural college set amidst stunning parklands, woodlands and farms. It has its own Equine Centre, a beautiful lake and an impressive mid-18th century main building at the heart of the campus. Despite the rural setting, the campus is located just under 1.5 miles from the town of Nantwich.

It is a closed site with high security and CCTV on campus. All the houses have swipe cards for access.

Around the campus there are grass areas where students can take part in sports and activities.



Location

REASEHEATH COLLEGE, NR CHESTER, CW5 6DF

Telephone Number: 01270 625131

Population - 18,734

Reaseheath College is located approximately – 1.4 miles (30 minutes’ walk) from the town centre of Nantwich.

Nantwich is a Roman town and has the largest collection of historic buildings in the county of Cheshire, outside Chester.

Situated on the banks of the River Weaver, Nantwich is famous for the medieval timbered buildings dotted around the town. Stroll through the atmospheric streets and visit for bijou boutiques, antiques dealers and contemporary craft shops.

Chester is the closest city to Nantwich which is just over 20 miles away.

Airport Transfers:

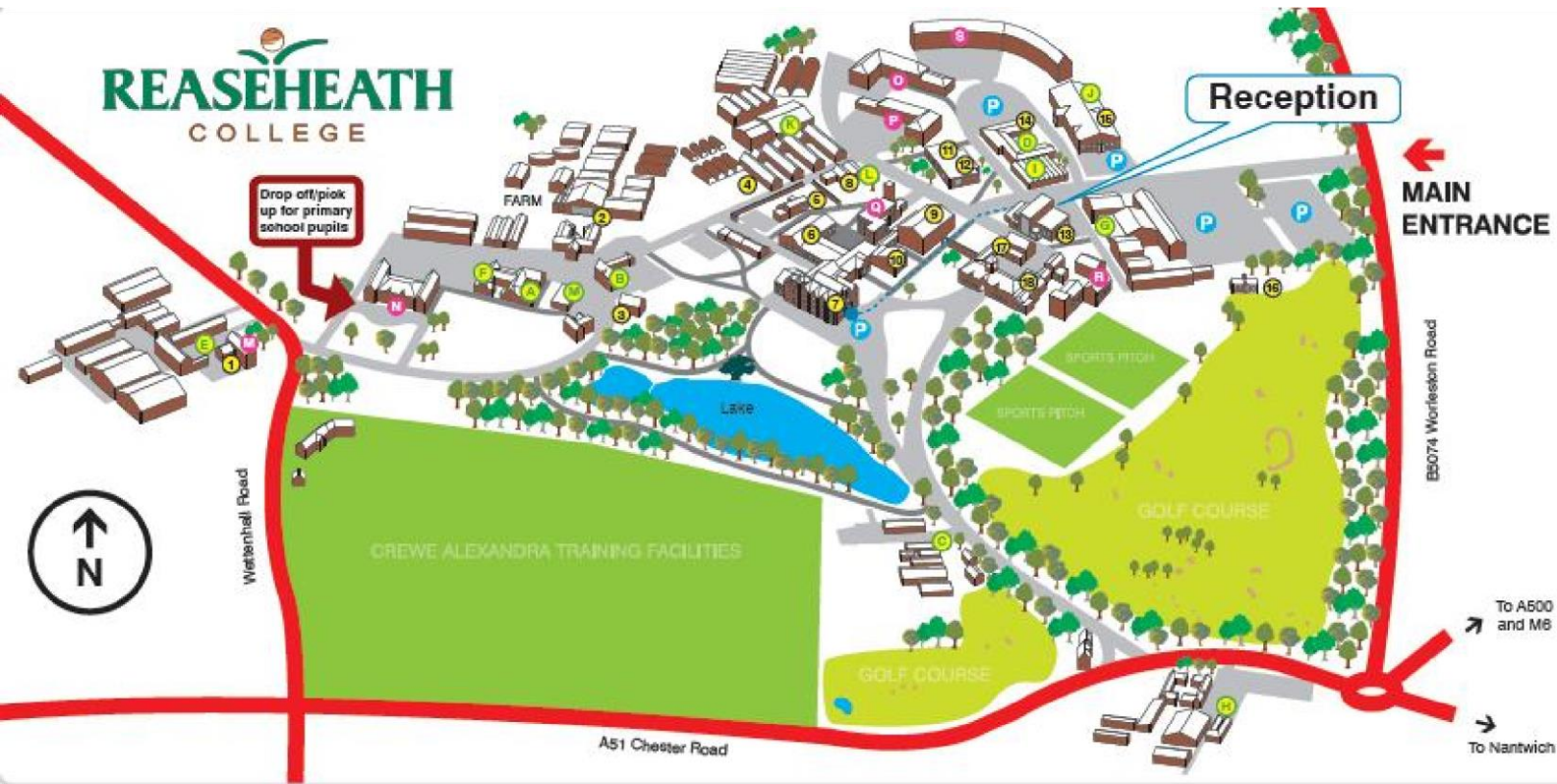
Manchester: 45 minutes
Liverpool:

1 hour

London Heathrow: 3 hours



REASEHEATH COLLEGE



DEPARTMENTS

- 1 Adventure Sports
- 2 Agriculture / Farm office
- 3 Animal Management
- 4 Business and IT
- 5 Construction
- 6 Countryside
- 7 Engineering
- 8 Equine
- 9 Food and Science
- 10 Floristry
- 11 Horticulture
- 12 Greenkeeping and Sports Turf
- 13 The Learning Lab

BUILDINGS

- 1 Old Hall Farm
- 2 Milking parlour and GENUS unit
- 3 Services to Business (WBL, TIG, BDU, NPTC), XCL, FWAG and CCCCMS offices
- 4 Greenway Farm shop
- 5 Registry
- 6 Dining, bar and social areas
- 7 Rease Heath Hall
- 8 Horticulture and Sports Turf staff office
- 9 Lord Woolley Centre (Sports hall)
- 10 Lecture theatre
- 11 Laboratories 1, 2, 3

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

- 12 Marketing
- 13 Learning Resource Centre
 - Reception
 - Library and Resources Centre
 - Learning Skills Centre
 - Student Services
- 14 IT Suite
- 15 Philip Leverhulme Centre
 - REG
 - HE study area
 - Floristry
 - Customer Services
- 16 Golf Club Pavilion
- 17 Foundation
- 18 Higher Education Centre

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

- M Old Hall Farm
- N Windsor
- O Cotton
- P Tomkinson
- Q Jodrell
- R Wilbraham
- S New accommodation



Local Amenities

Post Office

Post Office

Address: 32 Pepper Street, Nantwich, CW5 5FH (1.3 miles / 26 minutes' walk)

Supermarket

Sainsburys Local

Address: Middlewich Road, Nantwich, Cheshire, Nantwich CW5 6PH – 1.2 miles (22 minutes' walk)

ATM

Sainsburys Local

Address: Middlewich Road, Nantwich, Cheshire, Nantwich CW5 6PH – 1.2 miles (22 minutes' walk)

Chemist

Lloyds Pharmacy in Sainsburys

Address: Middlewich Road, Nantwich, Cheshire, Nantwich CW5 6PH – 1.2 miles (22 minutes' walk)

Hospital

Leighton Hospital

Address: Middlewich road, Crewe, Cheshire, CW1 4HJ (4.5 miles / 10 minutes' drive)

Doctors

Nantwich Health Centre

Address: Church View Primary Care Centre, Beam Street, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 5NX (1.4 miles / 27 minutes' walk)

N.B. If a student is ill and requires a doctor, then a group leader and a UKLC staff member will take the student to the NHS medical centre at Nantwich Heath Centre. The student will be required to fill out a temporary patient form and will be seen on the same day.

Dentist

Riverside Dental Practice, 1 Welsh Row, Nantwich CW5 5ED (1.4 miles / 28 minutes' walk)

Bus Stops

Located at Cemetery corner on Middlewich Road, just under a mile away. There are frequent buses that run into the centre of Nantwich and Crewe.

Train Stations

Nantwich Railway Station

Address: Pillory Street, Nantwich, CW5 5SS (1.7 miles / 34 minutes' walk) Frequent trains to Manchester and Shrewsbury.

Crewe Railway Station

Address: Nantwich Road, Crewe, Cheshire, CW2 6HR (4.8 miles / 15 minutes by car) Frequent trains to London, Birmingham, Manchester, Chester and Liverpool.

Taxi Companies

Haightons 01270 624574

Dabbers Private Hire 01270 628062

Coffee Shops

Pillory House Coffee Shop

Established in 1992, Pillory House Coffee Shop is a family run business. With ingredients delivered daily and homemade food prepared before your eyes in the open plan kitchens.

Address: 18 Pillory Street, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 5BD 1.5 miles (29 minutes' walk)

Ginger and Pickles

An award-winning tearoom in Nantwich offering homemade cakes, delicious breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas and fine teas.

Address: 3A Mill Street, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 5ST 1.5 miles (29 minutes' walk)

Restaurants

Street

A casual food and drink venue, inspired by the street vendors and food trucks from around the world... eat in or take out.

Address: 35 Welsh Row, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 5ED

Walking distance from Reaseheath College: 1.5 miles (29 minutes' walk)

Bench Bar Bistro

A truly unique restaurant that offers traditional afternoon tea as well as other lite bites.

Address: 35 Beam Street, Nantwich CW5 5NA

Walking distance from Reaseheath College: 1.3 miles (27 minutes' walk)

The Leopard Nantwich

The Leopard is a traditional British Pub, providing excellent cask ales and traditional home cooked British dishes.

Address: 33 London Road, Nantwich, CW5 6LJ

Walking distance from Reaseheath College: 1.6 miles (32 minutes' walk)

Accommodation

The College has two residential houses with single en-suite rooms. Each house has its own kitchen. The houses are called Chetwood and Platt and are accessed with a swipe card entry system. All bedding and towels are provided.

Room Allocation

We divide the students up according to their age, gender and group where possible. We take into consideration any specific requests, e.g. friends who want to share. Group Leaders will stay in the same house as their students. Room allocation is normally done on arrival. If you would like any further information about this, please contact us.

Housekeeping

Bedding is changed once a week and towels are changed twice a week. Bedrooms are deep cleaned once a week and bedrooms and bathrooms are given a daily clean and check.

There are coin operated washing machines and tumble dryers located in Platt and Chetwood houses. It costs £2.60 per wash and £1.00 per dry. Students must provide their own washing powder.

Key Loss

If any key or key card is lost during the stay, there will be a £25 fee for a replacement.

Deposits

We will ask each student for a deposit of €25/£25 on arrival. We will check their rooms before they arrive and before they leave, returning the money if everything is in order. If there is damage to the houses and nobody admits fault, we will ask everyone in the house to share the cost.



Meals

When the students are on campus, they will eat their meals in the dining hall on site. When they are out on full day excursions, they will be provided with packed lunches.

Cooked breakfast is supplied once a week.

Meal times

Breakfast: 08:00 – 09:00

Lunch: 12:30 - 13:30

Dinner: 18:00 - 19:00

If we are aware in advance, we can advise the catering staff of any dietary requirements or allergies and the canteen staff can cater to these.

*Meal times are subject to change

Reaseheath College, Nantwich - Sample Menu

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|---|
| Breakfast | Selection of Cereals Bacon Scrambled Egg, Baked Beans & Toast | Selection of Cereals Salami, Cheese & Beef Tomato Platter Fresh Fruit Croissants Toast | Selection of Cereals Yoghurt Summer Berries Toast & Jam Croissants | Selection of Cereals Sausage Grilled Tomato, Poached Egg & Toast | Selection of Cereals Salami, Cheese & Beef Tomato Platter Fresh Fruit Croissants Toast | Selection of Cereals Bacon Scrambled Egg, Baked Beans & Toast | Selection of Cereals Yoghurt Summer Berries Toast & Jam Croissants |
| Lunch *(V) Vegetarian option available | Spaghetti Bolognese Or Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese (V) Garlic Bread Salad Bar available | Assorted Meat & Vegetarian French Bread Pizza (V) Fries Baked Beans Salad Bar available | Sausages in Onion Gravy Or Vegetarian Sausages in Onion Gravy (V) Mashed Potato 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available | Breaded Turkey Escalope Or Breaded Vegetable Kiev (V) Roast Beef 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available | Battered Fish Or Vegetable Nuggets (V) Chips Garden Peas Baked Beans Salad Bar available | Packed Lunch or Weekend Lunch (V) | Packed Lunch or Weekend Lunch (V) |
| Dinner *(V) Vegetarian option available | Gammon & Pineapple Or Homemade Cheese & Onion Pie (V) Potato Wedges 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available | Chicken Stir Fry Or Vegetable Stir Fry (V) Boiled Rice Or Noodles Salad Bar available | Roast Beef & Yorkshire pudding Or Nut Roast (V) Roast Potatoes 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available | Beef Lasagne Or Vegetable Lasagne (V) Garlic Bread Salad Bar available | Sausage Pasta Bake Or Tomato & Courgette Pasta Bake (V) 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available | Chicken Curry Or Vegetable Curry (V) Rice Naan Bread Poppadum Salad Bar available | Roast Chicken & Stuffing Or Macaroni Cheese (V) Roast Potatoes 2x Vegetables Salad Bar available |
| Pudding | Fresh Fruit Or Jam Doughnut | Fresh Fruit Or Fresh Fruit Salad | Fresh Fruit Or Chocolate Topped Doughnuts | Fresh Fruit Or Homemade Flapjack | Fresh Fruit Or Chocolate Fudge Cake | Fresh Fruit Or Jam Doughnut | Fresh Fruit Or Fresh Fruit Salad |

Technology

Wi-fi is available in all public areas and in most accommodation. Where there is no wi-fi there is cable access to the internet for laptop use. All campus wi-fi is password protected. We normally only give this password out to group leaders / adults. Being a college, the internet access is firewalled as per the college regulations. It is at the Group Leader's discretion whether they give these details to their students. Wi-fi will be switched off between 00:00 and 07:00. There is computer access on campus and you will have access to this on a timetabled basis. The Internet Café runs from 18:30 until 19:30.

Security

There is CCTV coverage on campus and 24/7 duty security/wardens. The main gate is locked at midnight.

Emergency contacts: Each student will be given a wristband when they arrive, and this will have the following emergency telephone number printed on it: 00 44 1244 567695. If you need to contact the centre in the event of an emergency please call this number and follow the options for the relevant centre, this will then put you through to the person on duty.

Certain basic guidelines are common to all centres and students. Students should:

- Never walk away alone!
 - Never leave the residence without permission in the evening!
 - Always make sure they have understood when and where the meeting point is whilst out on excursions!
 - Always wear their identification lanyard and their UKLC wristband! *
- *students found not wearing their lanyard or wristband will be fined £1

Safety

- Remember that there is a 24-hour emergency telephone number on the wristband (**0044 1244 567695**) and that the number for the emergency services (Ambulance/Police/Fire) in England is **999**, or the single emergency number for the EU including the UK is **112** or you can call **101** to report a crime where you do not need an emergency response
- The police are there to help and protect and can be asked for assistance!
- Never respond to someone if you feel threatened, simply walk away!
- Always give your money to the UKLC management team to put in the safe and never to carry large amounts of cash around!
- Be careful crossing the road. Remember that in the UK we drive on the left!
- If you are ill or need a doctor, tell a member of UKLC staff immediately!
- Keep all windows closed when not in your bedrooms!

Insurance and valuables

Although all houses will be accessed via swipe cards, it is suggested that students try to avoid bringing very expensive items with them. If they are bringing valuables with them, it is essential that they have sufficient insurance to cover any loss of damage as neither the centre nor the company can be held responsible if anything goes missing. The Centre Manager will have access to a safe if it is required.

Teaching

We know how important it is for each individual student to find their own path in language learning. We use a wide range of methods to engage and stimulate our students. This is why we have created a programme based on the students' age, level and need. It is called 'You Can Learn 4', or as we like to call it: 'UKL4', and it includes:

UKL4 FUN (Ages 8-11): Highly engaging lessons that offer a wide range of tailored material and activities for our young learners. It makes games into lessons and lessons into games.

UKL4 CONNECTION (Ages 11-14): Highly dynamic lessons that include a variety of topics and media, especially designed to reflect the quick-paced, interactive world our young students are growing up in. Available in levels A1-C1.

UKL4 ACTION (Ages 14-17): Lessons especially designed to engage our older students through more abstract tasks, topics and contemporary issues. Available in levels A1-C1.

UKL4 CONNECTION and UKL4 ACTION programmes consist of three different lessons a day:

1. TBL (Task Based Learning):

During these lessons, students are encouraged to complete a task. Language is therefore acquired through the task as it emerges naturally as the result of the students' communicative needs.

2. S&S (Skills & Systems):

These lessons aim at empowering our students' linguistic awareness and capabilities by working on all language skills (reading, writing, listening, speaking) and systems (grammar, phonology, lexis, discourse) as well as using materials relevant to exam preparation (KET, PET, FCE, CAE, TOEFL, IELTS, GESE).

3. CLIL: (Content and Language Integrated Learning):

These lessons merge CLIL and British culture. Students learn about art, literature and science, or about the history and geography of the UK, while activating their linguistic knowledge.

Placement tests

We offer classes at four levels, from elementary to upper intermediate. Students take a placement test on their first day of classes to ensure they are placed at the correct level.

Once the tests have been marked, students won't be told their score unless they specifically ask for it but will be placed into a class based on these results.

If students are not happy with their level, they can speak with the Course Director who can decide if it is necessary for the student to change levels.

We always try to split groups into different classes to mix nationalities, but this does depend on their levels and the numbers of students that we have on site.

We will provide all course materials including a student journal and a pen.

Students are taught in class sizes up to 16.

Programme

All UKLC summer programmes include:

- 15 hours of English lessons
- Full board accommodation in residence
- Full programme of excursions, activities and evening entertainment
- 1 free leader for 15 students
- Placement test on arrival and End of Course Certificate

These are summaries of UKLC English Plus programmes** for Summer 2024 at Reaseheath College:

English Plus Multi-Activity

The “typical” summer programme consisting of a wide variety of activities and sports. Sessions are structured and are coached by specialist staff. Sessions can include tennis, basketball, volleyball, swimming, photography workshops, dance, football, and drama etc. Students are moved through two or three activities on rotation in each session.

English Plus Dance*

For students with a passion for dance. Sessions take place with a specialist dance teacher and the programme works towards an end-of-course performance to the whole school. Sessions begin with a warmup before learning new steps and techniques needed to put together a dance routine. The second part of the sessions allows students to practise what they have learnt and rehearse any routines for the final performance. Styles covered include street dance, modern jazz, contemporary and West End musical.

English Plus Drama*

For students with an interest in drama and a desire to improve their English through confidence building performances. Sessions take place with a teacher who will guide the students through a programme exploring various elements of acting, including improvisation, mime and role play. They will perform at the end of the course either a part of a well-known play or something they have written themselves.

English Plus Intensive English*

Additional English lessons for those who really want to maximise their language learning during their stay in the UK. Students will build on their lessons through additional taught classes at a level appropriate to their achievement in the placement test. The lesson content will be a continuation of the UKL4 programmes as outlined in the accompanying Academic Summary (see section on “Academic Tuition”).

Leadership & Life Skills*

This programme offers a blend of language development and essential life skills through a series of seminars, workshops, and media-based projects which cover CV writing, interview skills, presentations and academic writing. The curriculum fosters creativity, critical thinking, and effective communication and it includes sessions designed to cultivate global leadership skills to prepare students for the modern professional world. This course is valid for PCTO funding .

*Students aged between 11 and 17 who are enrolled on Multi-Activity or English Plus courses will be divided by age for activities where numbers allow. Students can choose whether to enrol on the Multi-Activity or an English Plus course. All students aged between 8 and 10 will be automatically enrolled on the multi activity programme.

**These programmes vary at each centre. A minimum of 10 students applies to each programme and each student will be asked to select a 1st and 2nd option before arrival which they will join for the duration for their stay. Students who do not choose in advance will join the standard English Plus Multi-Activity.

A typical day for students

| | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 08:00 – 09:00 | Breakfast |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | Lesson 1 |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Break |
| 10:15 – 11:15 | Lesson 2 |
| 11:15 – 11:30 | Break |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | Lesson 3 |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch |
| 14:00 – 17:30 | Afternoon Activities |
| 18:30 – 19:30 | Dinner |
| 20:00 – 22:00 | Evening Activities |
| 22:00 | Bedtime |

This centre runs on a 'zig-zag', meaning the order of lessons and multi-option activities/excursions will change after a week. See example below.

Reaseheath College, Nantwich

Sample Programme - Summer 2024

| | Morning | Afternoon | Evening |
|------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Saturday | English Test | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Film Night |
| Sunday | Liverpool with Beatles Story Museum | | Oscars |
| Monday | Lessons | Nantwich Town Orientation | Message Disco or Conversation Club |
| Tuesday | Lessons | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Trashion Show |
| Wednesday | Lessons | Chester with Roman Tour | Paparazzi |
| Thursday | Lessons | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Attractions or Conversation Club |
| Friday | Lessons | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Quiz Night |
| Saturday | Stratford Upon Avon with Shakespeare's House | | Mini Olympics or Conversation Club |
| Sunday | Free Time, Activities or Optional Excursion | | Murder Mystery |
| Monday | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Lessons | Red vs Blue |
| Tuesday | Chester with Boat Trip | Lessons | Karaoke |
| Wednesday | Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme | Lessons | Games Night or Conversation Club |
| Thursday | Shrewsbury with Castle Museum | Lessons | Leaving Disco |
| Friday | Departures | | |

Please note: This is a sample programme and may be subject to change. It may also be necessary to operate a zig zag programme of morning / afternoon lessons.

Facilities

Sports facilities on site:

- Sports hall
- 1 x grass football pitch
- 1 x volleyball pitch
- 1 x marked 3G Astro-turf football pitches
- 1 x dance studio

Sports available at this centre can include: football, handball, basketball, rounders, volleyball, cricket, indoor hockey, and table tennis.

Evening entertainment

The UK Language Courses staff plan fantastic activities to make sure the students enjoy their evenings. For example: discos, quizzes, fashion shows, blind date, sports tournaments etc. We ask Group Leaders to encourage students to participate as much as possible and to communicate any special ideas or requests from students.

Here are a few brief descriptions of just some of our activities for students to join in on:

Around the World

Consists of a number of different stations based on activities from different countries. One staff member will be placed at each activity station. They will each represent a country and have to create an activity related to that country (for example: New Zealand – The Haka). Students will be divided into groups and given a time for each station. Students will visit each station.

Oscars Night

Involves students watching a number of scenes from selected films. They will have the chance to re-enact a famous selected scene. Creating their own script, which must be in English and costumes (out of various given equipment). Scenes will be shown on a big screen for everyone to watch. Awards will be given by UKLC staff for the best reproduction.

Speed Dating

Enables students from mixed nationalities to socialise and get to know each other whilst improving their spoken English. Students will have a short period of time to have a conversation on their interests, hobbies etc. Once the given time finishes they will move to another student and begin the same process again.

Talent Show

Gives students the opportunity to perform talents such as singing, dancing and acting in front of the whole centre! Sign-up sheets will be available in the centre a few days before the event. There will be judges who will score the performances and give positive feedback to each student who performs on the evening.

We look forward to welcoming you to Reaseheath College in summer 2024!

