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Press Release

IN THE PINK – CRC STAFF RUN FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Staff at CRC donned pink as well as their running shoes yesterday (weds) for a sponsored run to raise money for Cancer Research UK – part of a week of charity events at the College.



Among the runners who set off on the mile-and-a-half dash around the Science Park were Debbie Casey, head of Sport, Leisure and Science, and Chris Sherwin, CRC's Director of Learning and Achievement.

More pink activity is due to take place today, with a fundraising lunchtime aerobics class in CRC's sports centre.

And on Sunday, from 10am to 3pm, the College will host a fantastic family fun day with a bouncy castle, climbing wall sessions, martial arts demonstrations, mini make-overs, beat the goalie competitions, fitness challenges, face painting and lots more.

Local companies and organisations will also have stalls on the day, selling everything from a hog roast and cakes, to toys and fitness courses, and many will be running fun competitions with plenty of prizes on offer.

The events have been organised by sports centre receptionist Nicola Housden, 18, who is hoping to raise £1,000 for Cancer Research UK – a charity close to her heart, as both her mother and grandmother died from the disease.

During the week, Nicola is also selling raffle tickets for a draw to be held during Sunday's fun day. Prizes include salon vouchers, food vouchers, sweets and chocolates, music vouchers, vouchers for local businesses, photography vouchers, gift sets, beauty sets, and lots more.

“Sunday will be a great day out for everyone and there will be lots to do and some fantastic prizes to win in the raffle,” said Nicola, who lives in Witcham. “I lost both my Mum and my Nana to cancer, so raising money for Cancer Research UK is something I like to do each year.

“This year I decided to go all out and have a week of events to tie in with Cancer Research's “Paint Cambridge Pink” campaign. I'm hoping everyone will join in, have lots of fun and help raise £1,000 for the charity.”

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES:

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has around 3,500 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire.