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CAMBRIDGE REGIONAL COLLEGE STUDENTS MARK WORLD AIDS DAY

1 December 2009

Cambridge Regional College spread the word about World AIDS Day on December 1.

Health Studies students organised a display stall, sold red ribbons for the National AIDS Trust, and raffled a cake in the shape of a ribbon – the international symbol of support for people living with HIV.

Advanced Creative and Media students also marked the day with an exhibition of posters focusing on safe sex, asking visitors to vote on their favourite work.



Creative and Media students with their exhibition of posters. From front: Laurissa Gould, Paris Janes, Hannah Priddle, Sophie O'Dell, Rebecca Jacobs, Eloise Bright, Max Rossi, Josh Woods, Matt Challenger, Matt Garrett and Patrick Tapley.

The day provided an opportunity for College health staff to offer Chlamydia screening to students as part of its successful programme to quickly detect and treat Sexually Acquired Infections.

Sue Smith, Health and Welfare Manager at the College, said: "Wearing a red ribbon is a great way to raise awareness about HIV as well as to break down stigma and prejudice. This is a day when we can show our support for those living with HIV.

"It is also a good day for us to offer health screening to our students. Reducing sexual infections promotes the overall general health of young people and has a positive impact on their college attendance and achievement of qualifications."

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