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YEOVIL COLLEGE DOES RED NOSE DAY!

Staff and students have taken part in a fundraising spectacular in aid of Comic Relief's Red Nose Day Appeal.

A wide range of activities and events took place across the college as everyone joined in one of the biggest national fundraising events of the year.

Events included cake sales by both the Megabite Refectory staff and Foundation Learning students, Hair staff and students paying to wear their pyjamas in class and a 'Try Something Different' class swap, which gave Engineering and Care students a taste of each others' lessons.



Media student Bryony Mounter

In addition, the student TV station, YCMTV, and the Student Union took over the Megabite over lunchtime, providing entertainment and raising funds. One of the most popular activities was a 'human jukebox' of College bands, which played the audience's choice of tune in exchange for a donation. The groups involved were Adam West and The Bensons, who played hits including 'Blue Suede Shoes' and 'American Boy'.



Students Jon Reed and Dec Best have their legs waxed live on YCMTV

Two Student Union and two Media department students were sponsored to have their legs waxed for the charity. Asad Anwar (18), Chris Brenton (18), Dec Best (19) and Jon Reed (16) were waxed by students studying Beauty at the College and raised a substantial amount between them.

The total amount raised is currently estimated at £600, although additional events are due to take place this week.

Asad Anwar, President of the Student Union, said *"This was a really enjoyable experience. It was great that so many different areas of the College got involved and in so many different ways. It created a great sense of community and we're so pleased that staff and students care enough about making a difference to get involved."*

Head of Sixth Form Andy Perlejewski took part in the 'Beat the Brain' quiz screened live on YCMTV answering questions on '70s pop music. He said *"The staff and students involved today have worked really hard, but it was very worthwhile. It's fantastic to see so many different aspects of the College come together to support a good cause. The students and*



Asad Anwar, the President of the Student Union

staff have been so enthusiastic and imaginative and have won a lot of support as a result. I was very happy to be involved."

The Student Union's next big fundraiser will be a sponsored parachute jump on 11th March in aid of local mental health charity, Mind. Seven students are involved and already gathering sponsorship.

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