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City College Peterborough hosted a royal party for Peterborough people to mark Her Majesty The Queen's 90th birthday.

More than 100 people joined the celebrations on Thursday 9 June 2016 organised in partnership with Peterborough City Council.

Her Majesty turned 90 on April 21, but she also has an official birthday in June - this year it falls on Saturday, June 11.

Catering students from the college prepared a delicious three-course dinner for the VIP guests, a group that included 50 people also celebrating their 90th birthday this year.



More than 100 people attended the birthday event, 50 of whom reach their 90th birthday this year

Among the guests at the event was Dorothy Wray who was lucky enough to celebrate her 90th birthday on the same day.

Leader of Peterborough City Council, Councillor John Holdich, who is also chair of governors at the college and attended the event, said: "We had a really fantastic response from the local community with people nominating family, friends and neighbours to join the party.

"All the guest places were soon filled and the party was a really fitting way for Peterborough people, many of whom were also born in 1926, to celebrate The Queen's 90th birthday."

Also at the party was Betty Horrell, wife of former Peterborough Mayor Councillor John Horrell.

Mrs Horrell was joined by Betty Hay MBE, former headteacher of Caverstede Nursery School and a big advocator of helping young people with learning difficulties.

City College Peterborough Principal, Pat Carrington, added: "It was great to see so many Peterborough people join us for this special party.

"Food prepared by our young catering students together with our catering team provided the opportunity for people from different generations across the city to come together to celebrate The Queen's birthday.

"The college has supported people who live and work in the local community for more than 70 years."

On 21 April, the city council joined other councils across the UK in lighting a beacon outside the Town Hall to celebrate the landmark

birthday.

This week, The Mayor of Peterborough, Councillor David Sanders, will attend a service in Peterborough Cathedral to mark The Queen's 90th Birthday on Sunday 12 June.

Peterborough Cathedral Choir will sing music with a royal theme during a service of choral evensong at 3.30pm.

Peterborough Opera will also bring a showcase of musical nostalgia to Peterborough city centre on Saturday 11 June.

The group will perform scenes from its adaptation of Edward German's Merrie England comic opera in Cathedral Square from 11am.

If you are hosting a party to mark The Queen's birthday get in touch with us via Twitter and Facebook so we can share the pictures.