Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
10 May 2019

Term Dates 2018 – 2019

Summer Term
Tuesday 23 April
Tuesday 23 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 6 May
Half Term
Monday 27 May
Friday 31 May

Non-Pupil Days
24 July 2019

Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Autumn Term
First Day of Term for Students:
Wednesday 4 September 2019
Last Day of Term for Students
Wednesday 18 December
Half Term
Monday 28 October
Friday 1 November

Spring Term
Monday 6 January
Friday 3 April
Half Term
Monday 17 February
Friday 21 February

Summer Term
Monday 20 April
Last Day of Term for Students
Tuesday 21 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 4 May
Half Term
Monday 25 May
Friday 29 May

Non-Pupil Days
Tuesday 3 September 2019
Thursday 24 October 2019
Friday 25 October 2019
Thursday 19 December 2019
Wednesday 22 July 2019

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Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week A	May	13	PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS START Yr 7 Examinations Yr 10 GCSE RE Examination (afternoon) Yr 12 University of Bath Talk, Period 3, Lecture Theatre Yr 13 A Level German Speaking Assessment
Tuesday	May	14	Yr 7 Examinations School Nurse Drop-In Session, Lunchtime, F11
Wednesday	May	15	Yr 7 Examinations DofE Gold Session 15.45 – 18.30
Thursday	May	16	Yr 7 Examinations
Friday	May	17	Yr 7 Examinations DofE Bronze Group B Session 15.45 – 17.30

We wish all our Yr 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 students taking public examinations over the coming weeks, good luck and every success.

Yr 7 Examinations Week
A copy of the timetable has been given to students. We wish Yr 7 students every success with their examinations.

Sports Team Photographs
This week the Carmel Jane Photography Team (www.carmeljane.co.uk) were in school photographing all our sports teams. The access code needed to view or purchase the photographs is available to all those students involved via the PE Department or you can contact Ms Stubbs on kstubbs@cchsg.com. There is free postage to school for all orders placed before 26 May.

Parents, did you know? Events
The ESCB (Essex Safeguarding Children Board) in partnership with The Children's Society and Barnardo's are delivering events across Essex for parents and carers to attend to learn more about criminal and sexual exploitation, children that go missing, gangs and youth violence, trafficking and online sexual abuse.
They will provide an opportunity to have direct conversations with a range of services, including Essex Police, Essex Children's Social Care, The Children's Society, Barnardo's, and other partner organisations. The full day event is on Saturdays, with the opportunity to drop by or pre-book for a specific timetabled talk.
If you are interested in attending any of the talks, please pre-book your free place using the link below. Refreshments and goodie bags will be provided to all attendees.
http://www.escb.co.uk/working-with-children/child-exploitation/parents-did-you-know/

Languages Week 2019
A huge thank you to all the students and staff who participated in the Languages Week delivering the Assemblies, the Big Language Quiz, the Languages workshops, the Language Leaders' Show and the International Bake Sale. Once again, it was a big success. We raised £191 at the Bake Sale and 10L, 10O and 12H came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Big Language Quiz Competition. Well done!

Yr 12 UCAS - Essex Higher Education Exhibition – 13 June University of Essex
Booking for is essential to attend the UCAS exhibition; booking form can be found on the UCAS website https://www.ucas.com/events/essex-higher-education-exhibition-339506.
We would encourage any student considering attending the UCAS exhibition to make a booking as soon as possible as places are limited. Requests for absence to attend the event will be authorised and should be submitted in the usual way.
Students attending the convention will need to make their own travel arrangements as this is not a school organised trip.

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Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yr 11	Celebration Evening	Monday 13 May
Yr 10	GCSE Science Revision Guides	Friday 7 June
Yr 13	Leavers' Ball	Monday 13 May

Revision Sessions

Subject	Year	Day	Time	Room	Topics Covered
Chemistry	Yr 11	Mon/Tues/Weds	12.45 – 13.20	G18	Drop-in sessions
English	Yr 11	Tuesday	15.40 – 1700	F8	Drop-in sessions
English	Yr 11	Thursday	15.40 – 17.00	F8	
Mathematics	Yr 11	Wednesday	15.45 – 16.45	M8	All welcome
	Yr 11	Tuesday (Wk A)	15.45 – 16.45	S1	All welcome

Yr 11 GCSE Geography Revision Support
Additional GCSE Geography revision sessions during the examination period:

Date	Revision/Classroom	Examination
20 May	Paper 1 topics - Period 4 MHO/JKI - T2	
21 May	Paper 1 topics - Period 2&3 JKI - T2	**Geography Paper 1 – afternoon**
4 June	Paper 2 topics – Period 4 MHO/NKE - T19	
5 June	Paper 2 topics – Periods 2&3 JKI/MHO - T2	**Geography Paper – afternoon**
12 June	Paper 3 topics - Period 5 JKI T2	
13 June		**Geography Paper 3 – morning**

Yr 10 GCSE RE Revision Support
A timetable of revision and support for students in the lead up to the GCSE RE examination is available. We encourage students to attend for final support and advice.

w/c	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
13 May	PAPER 1 EXAMINATION	Drop in session: AJU G23 12.50-13.20	Exam support (invited students) G23 12.50-13.20	Paper 2 content: AJU G23 15.45-17.00
20 May	PAPER 2 EXAMINATION			

Calling all Cake Bakers – Appeal for Cakes
The Catherine Bullen Foundation will be having a cake stall at the Mersea Food and Drink Festival on the weekend of 25 and 26 May. The school, via students and staff, usually provide cakes, so if you could bake a cake or cupcakes and bring them into school on Thursday 23 May, together with a list of ingredients, they will be taken to Mersea and much appreciated.
Catherine Bullen was a student at CCHSG who went on to study medicine but sadly died on her elective in Namibia. The school supports the local charity with their fundraising for educational and health projects in rural Namibia. More details about the foundation and the food and drink festival can be found here (https://www.namibia -aid.org.uk/ and http://mersea-fdl-festival.com/). Any queries students should see Dr Martin.

Extra-Curricular Information

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
13.05.2019	10.30 – 16.15	Colchester Athletics	Various	Garrison	Yrs 7 – 11
14.05.2019	09.00 – 16.30	Essex Track & Field Cup	Various	Chelmsford Athletics Stadium	Yrs 7 – 10
15.05.2019	15.45 – 16.45	Rounders	St Helena	CCHSG	Yr 8
15.05.2019	15.45 – 16.45	Rounders	St Helena	ST Helena	Yr 10
16.05.2019	15.45 – 16.45	Rounders	Thurstable	CCHSG	Yrs 8, 9 & 10

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<u>Community/Enrichment Information</u> - We draw your attention to the following:

Be Present – Mindfulness for All
Mindfulness sessions for teens and adults. Please see the attached flyer for more information or visit www.bepresentmindfulness.co.uk

West Bergholt Concert Band – Come-and-Try Nights in May
The band are holding free come-and-try nights for brass and woodwind players of all ages on Friday 10 and 17 May. More details can be found at http://www.wbcb.org.uk/ and www.facebook.com/WestBergholtConcertBand or contact Graham on 07941 947541/ conductor@wbcb.org

Saffron Walden Museum
Please find attached details of their upcoming events at Saffron Walden Museum which may be of interest.

Letters sent out this Week
Yr 10: Purchase of GCSE Biology, Chemistry and Physics Revision Guides

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 13 May
Priority for Yr 12 and 13, and lunchtime activity participants until 12.45.
Week A:

12.45	Yr 11	Lunchtime club participants must have a coloured ticket
12.55	Yr 9 & 10	to gain entrance to early lunch, available in advance from staff
13.00	Yr 7 & 8	running the club.

Menu for w/c 13 May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sausage & Tomato Pasta with Sweetcorn	Pork Steak with Roast potatoes & Cabbage	Burger, Chips & Beans	Spanish Chicken	Seafood Tagliatelle with Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegetable Lasagne with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Vegetable Pasta with Salad	Quiche with Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard	Apple Crumble with Custard	Pavlova	Lemon Meringue Pie	Bakewell tart with Custard
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Bacon & Brie £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week for w/c 13 May
Next week the word is: **JUSTIFY** – to make something seem reasonable.

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PTFA
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1. Annual Christmas Market 2019 – Invitation to Stallholders
Bookings are now open for stalls at this very popular annual event, open to the school community and general public, to be held on Saturday 30 November, 12.00 – 15.00.
Cost: Single stalls £25, double £40.
Please see attached Invitation for Stall Holders and Booking Form.
Please feel free to forward the flyer and Booking Form to anyone outside the school community who may be interested in booking a table.

For further details, contact Agness O'Brien.

2. PTFA Meetings
All PTFA meetings are held at the school 19.30 – 21.00

- **Monday 20 May 2019 - PTFA Annual General Meeting**

followed by Ordinary PTFA Meeting.
Agenda:

- Election of PTFA Committee Members
- Review of PTFA events & fundraising in 2018/19
- Proposed amendments to the PTFA Constitution (as detailed in the previous Bulletin)
- Upcoming events
    1. New Yr 7 Parent Information Evening (Tuesday 2 July)
    2. Yr 7 Welcome Party (Friday 4 October)
    3. Annual Christmas Market 2019 (Saturday 30 November)

PTFA Committee Vacancy: Due to increased work commitments, our current Treasurer will be stepping down at the AGM. If you have a finance background and might be interested in taking on this role, please get in touch with Chair of PTFA, Mrs Agness O'Brien at cchsgptfa@gmail.com. Please refer to the job descriptions for the roles of all the Committee Members which were provided to parents/carers via email on Monday 29 April.

3. Upcoming Second Hand Uniform Sales (Summer Term)
The next sale open to ALL YEAR GROUPS will be before and during the interval of, the Summer Show on Friday 19 July (18.00 – 20.30). Parents do not need to be attending the show to visit the uniform store.

Uniform donations urgently needed. We would really like to increase our uniform stock ahead of the upcoming New Yr 7 (September 2020 intake) Information Evening on 2 July. If you had a spring clean over the Easter break, please donate any items of outgrown uniform. We also accept buttons from uniform items that are no longer fit for use. If your child is in Yr 11, please consider donating all sale worthy uniform items as soon they are no longer needed. All donations can be left at the School Reception.

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