Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
17 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 B	May	20	Yr 10 GCSE RE Examination – morning PTFA AGM 19.30 – 21.00
Tuesday	May	21	
Wednesday	May	22	Yr 7 Bushcraft Residential Trip departing 07.45
Thursday	May	23	Assembly: Yr 8 in Lecture Theatre Yr 7 Bushcraft Residential Trip
Friday	May	24	Yr 7 Bushcraft Residential Trip returning 16.45 approx DofE Bronze Group A & B Session 15.45 – 17.30

E-Safety – Child Safety on TikTok
Concerns have been raised regarding the danger of the video-sharing App TikTok. We have attached a Factsheet regarding this to raise awareness amongst parents and highlight actionable safety options to ensure your child is protected.

Colchester Youth Awards
Nominations are invited for the annual awards in the following categories: Arts, Citizen, Entrepreneur, Learning Achievement, Outstanding Achievement, Personal Journey – Academic Success, Personal Journey – Exceptional Circumstances, Volunteer and Volunteer Fundraising.
More details can be found at https://www.facebook.com/colchesteryouthawards.
Please follow this link to the nomination form:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GX2XFBP. The closing date is Monday 3 June.

Yr 7 Bushcraft Residential Trip – Wednesday 22 – Thursday 24 May
Students should arrive by 07.30 to allow time for registration and to load the coaches in order to leave school promptly at 07.45 on Wednesday 22 May. We expect to return to CCHSG by 16.45 on Friday 24 May, traffic permitting.

Yr 11 Celebration Evening and Yr 13 Leavers' Ball
The deadline for replies for these events was Monday 13 May. Any outstanding reply slips should be handed to Mrs Joslin/Mrs Keane by Monday 20 May.

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.

Apprenticeship Information Evening – Colchester Institute – Wednesday 29 May 17.00 – 19.00
Colchester Institute are hosting this event with information available for apprenticeships in a variety of industries. Please see attached poster, to book a place go to https://www.colchester.ac.uk/event/apprenticeship-information-evening-colchester-campus/?instance_id=139

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yr 7	Open Air Shakespeare	Monday 10 June
Yr 10	GCSE Science Revision Guides	Friday 7 June
Yr 11	GCSE English Revision Session (invited students)	Thursday 23 May
Yr 11	Sports Celebration Evening (invited students)	Friday 24 May

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PE Notices
Students who have received a medal from a school competition this year should bring this to the PE department, labelled, in preparation for the Sports Presentation Evening
Netball dresses: there are still a few waiting to be handed back in, please can these be returned to the PE department straight away.
Preparation for Summer Term PE Lessons
When the weather is fine and sunny we strongly advise that students bring a bottle of water to each PE lesson. Students may also like to wear sunscreen for outdoor lessons.

Catherine Bullen Foundation – Appeal for Cakes
If you are able to 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 Food and Drink Festival and much appreciated.

Yr 11 Revision Sessions

Subject	Day	Time	Room	Topics Covered
Chemistry	Mon/Tues/Weds	12.45 – 13.20	G18	Drop-in sessions
English	Tuesday	15.40 – 1700	F8	Drop-in sessions
English	Thursday	15.40 – 17.00	F8	
Mathematics	Wednesday	15.45 – 16.45	M8	All welcome
	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**

Extra-Curricular Information

Summer Show 2019 (Friday 19 July) Rehearsals
Tuesday 21 May: 12.45 – Memory and Sunset Boulevard
Thursday 23 May: 12.45 – Tell Me on a Sunday/Take That Look off Your Face and Whistle Down the Wind
Thursday 24 May: 15.45 – 5.00 – FULL CAST – Finale and costume organisation
Friday 24 May: 12.45 – Phantom of the Opera Medley.

Debate Club
Debate club will be held in F7 until external examinations have finished.

Philosophy Society on Thursday in G23 at 13.00
We will be discussing Morality Involving the Media, Medicine and Money. Exploring the moral responsibility of the media, government and other businesses.

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
21.05.2019	15.35 – 16.45	Rounders	St Helena	Away	Yr 10
04.06.2019	15.45 – 16.30	Rounders	TLA	Home	Yrs 8 & 10
05.06.2019	09.00 – 17.00	Athletics	Various	Lee Valley	Yrs 7, 8 & 9
06.06.2019	15.35 – 16.45	Rounders	Stanway	Away	Yrs 8 & 10

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Letters sent out this Week
Yr 7: Open Air Shakespeare
Yr 10: DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition
Yr 11: GCSE English Revision Session (selected students)
Yr 11: DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition
Yr 12: DofE Gold Qualifying Expedition

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 20 May
Priority for Yr 12 and lunchtime activity participants until 12.45.
Week B:

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

Menu for w/c 20 May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chilli-con-Carne with Rice	Lamb & Mint Kebabs	Sausage, Chips & Beans	Pork, Lentil & Vegetable Sausage Rolls with Salad	Breaded Cod with Potato Wedges & Green Beans
Or				
Cheese & Tomato Tart with Salad	Squash & Coconut Curry with Rice	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Spinach & Tomato Frittata with Salad	Gnocchi in Tomato Sauce with Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Syrup Sponge with Custard	Devon Apple Cake with Cream	White Chocolate Mousse	Apple & Blueberry Danish	Raspberry Pana Cotta
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Cajun Chicken £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week for w/c 20 May
Next week the word is: **VEHEMENT –** expressed with or showing conviction or intense feeling.

➢ **Please continue reading for news from the PTFA**

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PTFA
Registered Charity No. 1110464

1. PTFA Meetings
A reminder that **PTFA's Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Monday 20 May.**
The AGM will be followed by Ordinary PTFA Meeting.
AGM 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 Year 7 Parent Information Evening (Tuesday 2 July)
    2. Year 7 Welcome Party (Friday 4 October)
    3. Annual Christmas Market 2019 (Saturday 30 November)

All PTFA meetings are held at the school 19.30 – 21.00

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.

Job function: Although all the Committee Members have equal responsibility for the control and management of PTFA funds the Treasurer plays an important part in helping the Committee carry out these duties properly.

Main duties:

- Day-to-day management of accounts and banking transactions, including issuing bills and receipts on behalf of the PTFA and making payments
- Prepare and report financial statements for PTFA Committee Meetings
- Organise floats for fundraising events, collect and reconcile monies raised at these events and report totals raised to the appropriate stakeholders
- Prepare a concise Financial Report for the Annual General Meeting
- Oversee Charity registration and make claims for Gift Aid

2. 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.
For further details and a copy of the booking form please email cchsgptfa@gmail.com or contact Agness O'Brien.

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 Year 7 (September 2019 intake) Information Evening on 2 July. If your child is in Year 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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