Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
24 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 2020

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WE WISH PARENTS AND STUDENTS A RESTFUL HALF TERM BREAK

Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week A	June	3	Yr 7 Programming Day (7H, 7E and 7L) Yr 9 Examinations
Tuesday	June	4	Yr 7 Programming Day (7C and 7O) Yr 9 Examinations School Nurse Drop-in Session, Lunchtime, F11
Wednesday	June	5	Yr 9 Examinations DofE Gold Session 15.45 – 17.45
Thursday	June	6	Yr 9 Examinations
Friday	June	7	Yr 8 Battlefields of Ypres Trip 04.45 – 00.00 Yr 9 Examinations DofE Bronze Groups A and B 15.45 – 17.30

Colchester Youth Awards
Please consider making a nomination for Colchester You Awards; 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. Students may also submit their own entry for the Diamond Writing Award (up to 500 words only).

Chewing Gum
Is not allowed in school. Students found to be chewing gum will be issued with sanctions.

Yr 9 Examinations Week
Students have been given a copy of the examination timetable. We wish Yr 9 students every success with their examinations.

Yr 7 Programming Days
These days will take place in school on: 7H, 7E and 7L – Monday 3 June, 7C and 7O – Tuesday 4 June.

Yr 8 History Trip to the First World War Battlefields of Ypres – Friday 7 June
Students should arrive at school by 04.45, in readiness for a prompt 05.00 departure. Please be mindful of our neighbours. Students should be prepared for the weather conditions, wearing sensible clothing and ensure they have their passport, EHIC card, food for the day and medication as necessary. Our estimated time of return to school is 00.00 on Friday/early hours of Saturday morning.

May E-Newsletter Published
The E-Newsletter for this half term is now available via the website at:
https://www.cchsg.com/index.php/about/newsletter
Items from this half term include the Yr 13 Fancy Dress, the Yr 11 Celebration Tea, the Class of 1977 reunion, our "Spring Back to the 80s" Concert, the Compassion Cabaret, the Psychology Conference visit and much more.

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yr 7	Open Air Shakespeare	Monday 10 June
Yr 9	GCSE English Set Text Purchase	Friday 14 June
Yr 10	GCSE Science Revision Guides	Friday 7 June

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Yr 11 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 – 16.30	F8	Drop-in session for English Language Paper 2
English	Yr 11	Thursday	15.40 – 16.30	F8	

Yr 11 GCSE History Revision Support
Mrs Sanderson will be running a drop-in session for Paper 2 skills on Thursday 6 June during Period 2 and Period 3 in T20.

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

Date	Revision/Classroom	Examination
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 11 GCSE German Revision Workshops
We strongly recommend that all German students attend these additional workshops in the Lecture Theatre in order to ensure they are fully prepared for the examinations:
Listening and Reading Workshop on Tuesday 11 June, 11.00 – 12.30
Writing and Translation into German on Friday 14 June from 11.30 – 12.35 (Period 3) and 13.30 – 14.30 (Period 4).

Barracudas Summer Camp
Please find attached a flyer from Barracudas; as a host school there are discounts that staff can benefit from when quoting the code provided.

Extra-Curricular Information

Dungeons and Dragons Club has a new Dungeon Master
Students are invited to participate in a D&D taster game this coming half term starting at 12.45 on Tuesday 4 June G23. New and veteran players are welcome.

PsychSoc – Mondays in G8 12.45 – 13.15
Why go to PsychSoc? Are you interested in why we behave the way we do? Why are we obedient? What makes us aggressive? Is OCD caused by the brain? These and many, many other issues are covered in PsychSoc each week. Next session – Are you a bystander or a challenger?
FemSoc – Tuesdays Week B G8 12.45 – 13.15
Do you believe in equality? Is there a gender pay gap? Is gender exploitation a current concern? Can girls do an engineering degree? If any of these questions interest you – come to FemSoc – we would love to hear your voice too! Each week we discuss current topics in the media and individuals present their ideas to us – we hear some amazing presentations from them – why not come along and listen?
SocCrimSoc – Fridays G8 12.45 – 13.15
Why 'SocCrimSoc'? Because many girls have shown an interest in Criminal Psychology and Sociology – so I've combined them in this lunchtime session. What causes crime? Is it us, society? Something else – Biology? What do you know about Marxism/ Interactionism/ Feminism? Would you like to know more? If so come along to SocCrimSoc every Friday.

MFL's GOT T★LENT – October 2019
Auditions for the French Play – High School Musical
Thank you to all students who attended the information meeting on Thursday 23 May. If you haven't been able to do so, please see Madame Ollite urgently in G7 on Monday 3 June at 13.00.
Talent Show – Auditions
Can you sing in Mandarin, dance to an Indian classical music or play a French piece on the piano? Would you like to tell us a story or read a poem in your home language? If yes, come to our audition on Thursday 13 June 12.45 – 13.15 in G7.

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PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
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

Community Information - We draw your attention to the following:

Yr 11 LPN Summer School at Cambridge University – Sunday 18 to Wednesday 21 August
A variety of free of charge masterclasses and the opportunity to attend a series of seminars that will introduce studying at university level, for students who live in an area of low participation in higher education.
To check eligibility go to https://www.officeforstudents.org.uk/data-and-analysis/postcode-search/ and for information, including the online application form, is available on the Christs College website: https://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/lpn-summer-school

Quay Theatre Summer School
Suitable for ages 10-16 the Summer School offers participants the opportunity to develop specific stage skills through various workshops. Please find attached more information.

Letters sent out this Week
Yr 7: Computing Workshop Programming Days
Yr 9: GCSE English Set Text Purchase
Yr 9: Examinations
Yr 13: Latin Half Term Revision Session
Yr 13: Classical Civilisation Half Term Revision Session

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 3 June
Priority for Yr 12 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 3 June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti Bolognaise with Sweetcorn	Beef in Black Bean Sauce with Rice	Pizza, Chips & Salad	Paella	Fish Cake with Salad
Or				
Cheese & Tomato Pasta Salad	Chickpea & Coriander Burger with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Tiropitakia with Salad	Ratatouille with Cheesy Bread
Main Meal £2.75				
Jam Sponge with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Strawberries with Cream	Banana & Toffee Pudding with Custard	Apple & Blueberry Danish with Cream
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week for w/c 3 June
Next week the word is: **FALLIBLE** – liable to make mistakes.

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PTFA
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1. PTFA Annual General Meeting – Monday 20 May
Full Minutes of the Annual General Meeting are available in the PTFA section of the school website
https://www.cchsg.com/index.php/parents/cchs-ptfa/ptfa-agm

PTFA Constitution: The following proposed changes to the PTFA's Constitution were reviewed and agreed by those present:

- Name of the Association changed from CCHS PTA (Colchester County High School Parent Teacher Association) to CCHSG PTFA (Colchester County High School for Girls, Parent Teacher and Friends Association)
- The President of the Association changed from the Headteacher of CCHSG to The Associate to the Principal and CEO of the Alpha Multi Academy Trust
- The date of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in the Autumn Term of each academic year changed to the Summer Term

Election of PTFA Committee Members:

Officers and Trustees		
Title	**Previous (2018/2019)**	**New (2019/2020)**
Chair	Mrs Agness O'Brien	Mrs Agness O'Brien
Vice Chair	Mrs Ade Asemota	Mrs Ade Asemota
Secretary	Mrs Carol O'Neill	Mrs Carol O'Neill – with Mrs Kathryn Held assisting.
Treasurer	Mr Anura Dharmarathna	Mr Rouzbeh Elahi
Committee Members		
Title	**Previous (2017/2018)**	**New (2018/2019)**
Communications	This role is currently fulfilled by Ms Kate Stubbs, who is employed as Marketing & Communications Manager at CCHSG.	
Recruitment	Mrs Mel Pearson	Mr Mark Wicker
PTFA Events	Mr Barry Coleman	Mrs Comfort Zedomi
Second Hand Uniform	Mrs Sian Webster-Hirst	Mrs Sian Webster-Hirst

At the AGM formal thanks were recorded to all the PTFA Committee and to the Members who have volunteered their time and expertise to support the work of the PTFA throughout the year.

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**. If your child is in Yr 11, please consider donating all sale worthy uniform items. All donations can be left at the School Reception.

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