Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
7 June 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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Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week B	June	10	Yr 9 Art Examination
Tuesday	June	11	
Wednesday	June	12	Yr 10 Geography Field Trip 09.00 – 15.30
Thursday	June	13	
Friday	June	14	DofE Bronze Group A Equipment Issue 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	June	15	DofE Bronze Group A Qualifying Expedition, departing 08.00 ABRSM Music Examination 09.30 – 13.30
Sunday	June	16	DofE Bronze Group A Qualifying Expedition, returning 15.00 – 16.00 approx

Student Safety Reminder
It has been brought to our attention by a parent of the school that students are putting themselves in danger when using the pedestrian crossings on Lexden Road. We remind students to be patient and wait for the lights to change and not to put themselves or other road users at risk by crossing through slow moving traffic.

Student Leave of Absence Reminder
We ask parents to submit student Leave of Absence requests a minimum of two weeks in advance of the leave applied for wherever possible. Forms can be collected from the Main Office. A reminder that term time holiday requests will not be authorised.

A Level and GCSE Art Exhibition – Friday 28 June 16.30 – 8.30
Students and their families are invited to the Art Private View, please email Mrs Saunders if you wish to attend so she has an idea of numbers.

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yr 7	Open Air Shakespeare	Monday 10 June
Yrs 8 – 11	Sports Presentation Evening	Friday 21 June
Yr 9	GCSE English Set Text Purchase	Friday 14 June

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

Date	Revision/Classroom	Examination
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).

Yrs 7 & 8 Geography Map Skills
Students are encouraged to check out the following link to brush up on their OS map skills:
https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/mapzone/map-skills
A reminder that the school does subscribe to the digimaps for schools service, students should have the login details or see their Geography teacher for a reminder.

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Coes School Wear Offer
Please find attached information from Coes regarding their promotion for school uniform purchase this summer. They would like to encourage parents to shop early for school uniform. Please also see the PTFA page for details of their second hand uniform sales.

Catherine Bullen Foundation – Appeal for Cakes
Thank you to those who baked for the Catherine Bullen Foundation before half term. The cakes were sold at the Mersea Food and Drink Festival raising an amazing £728 for the Foundation and their work in education and healthcare in rural Namibia.

Extra-Curricular Information

Yrs 7 – 10: Calling all Enthusiastic Linguists – Teach yourself a Language!
For students who would like to teach themselves a new language; they will learn using total immersion techniques, working independently through units at their own speed, practising speaking, listening, reading and writing on the computer. The programme gives instant feedback and helps to improve independently. Students will also be able to practise on their phone, tablet, and computer at home if they wish.
The club will take place Wednesday afternoons from 15.45 to 16.45 in T13. The registration session, where students choose their language and set up their Rosetta Stone login, will take place on Wednesday 12 June. The club will run for a further five sessions until Wednesday 17 July. There will be a small charge of £20 which should be paid via ParentPay. Interested students should sign up outside T10 on Monday 10 June so that a letter can be emailed home.

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
11.06.2019	15.45 – 16.30	Rounders	TLA	Away	Yr 9
12.06.2019	15.15 – 17.00	Central Venue	Thurstable	Away	Yr 7
13.06.2019	09.00 – 14.00	County Rounders Championship	Various	Brentwood	Yr 8

Summer Show 2019 (Friday 19 July) Rehearsals
Rehearsals w/c 10 June
Tuesday 12.45 – Joseph Medley – Full Cast
Thursday 15.45 – 17.15 – Sketches 2 and 3, Phantom Medley and Cats Medley

Community Information - We draw your attention to the following:

Catherine Bullen Foundation – A Namibian Journey, Friday 21 June 19.00
The Foundation are holding a fundraising event 'A Namibian Journey' on West Mersea at the MICA Community Centre which may be of interest. Last October, two semi-professional photographers undertook a photographic tour in Namibia and they were able to visit the Bullens at the clinic at Oshivelo and have produced some excellent photographs capturing Namibian wildlife and people. The fundraiser combines their photographs, the photographers, Namibian music performed by Simon Amutjiraonee and singing and the Bullens to explain the work of the Foundation. Tickets are £10 and available from https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/essex/the-mersea-centre-mica/a-namibian-journey/e-gqxamd or call 01206 383368

Britten Sinfonia Academy: At Lunch Series – Tuesday 16 July
Parents may be interested in attending the Britten Sinfonia Academy: At Lunch Series taking place at 13.00 at the West Road Concert Hall in Cambridge. For more information please go to www.brittensinfonia.com

Dovercourt Fire Cadets
A youth group with the aim of imparting Fire Service skills and social skills to young people aged 13 – 18 are currently looking to recruit for their 2019/20 intake starting in September/October. For more information please contact steve.tatum@essex-fire.gov.uk

Essex Libraries: Summer Reading Challenge Volunteers
The Summer Reading Challenge is a national programme that runs during the school Summer Holiday. Essex Libraries are looking for volunteers to work with the children and their parents or carers, encouraging them to join the challenge and talking to them about the books they have been reading. To apply please go to http://libraries.essex.gov.uk/
Please note - volunteers must be aged 14 and over by 1 September this year.

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Letters sent out this Week
Yrs 8 – 11 Sports Presentation Evening (selected students)

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 10 June
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 10 June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie	Wiltshire Plait with Carrots	Burger with Chips & Salad	Chicken & Chorizo Jambalaya with Broccoli	Pan Fried Salmon with Potato Wedges with Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Curry with Rice	Cheesy Bean Burger with Sweet Potato Fires & Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Mushroom Stroganoff with Rice	Mediterranean Pasta Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Apple Crumble with Custard	Strawberries with Cream	White Chocolate Cheesecake	Cornflake tart with Custard
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Chicken & Chorizo £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week for w/c 10 June
Next week the word is: **DILLIGENT** – showing persistent and hard-working effort in doing something.

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

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PTFA
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1. Funding Bid Approved
At the last PTFA Committee Meeting we were pleased to approve a bid from the school for:

- Part funding for the CCHSG Public Speaking and Debating Team to represent Essex at the National Finals of the European Youth Parliament Competition. This takes place in Liverpool over the weekend of 27 – 30 June. The students involved will additionally support school fundraising by volunteering at PTFA events. £800 was awarded.

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 2019, 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.

4. STIKINS Name Labels
Save time and money with multipurpose name labels. Stikins are stick on name labels that can be used to label clothes, fabric items, shoes, bags, lunch boxes, water bottles, PE kits, stationery and all kinds of other personal belongings. To order, go to www.stikins.co.uk and help us earn commission by quoting our **Fundraising Number: 35809.**

5. Easyfundraising
Please continue to book your business, summer holiday and travel essentials, flights, hotels, car parking, etc. via Easyfundraising. Help raise funds for CCHSG PTFA whenever you shop online with over 3,600 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis and ASOS – when you shop, you'll raise a free donation for CCHSG PTFA every time, it's that easy!

Sign up to support us at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colchestercountygirlspta/

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