Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
6 March 2020

Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Spring Term
Monday 6 January
Friday 3 April

Half Term
Monday 17 February
Friday 21 February

Summer Term
Monday 20 April
Wednesday 22 July

Bank Holiday
Friday 8 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

Term Dates 2020 – 2021
For Students

Autumn Term
Thursday 3 September
Thursday 17 December

Half Term
Monday 26 October
Friday 2 November

Spring Term
Monday 4 January
Friday 26 March

Half Term
Monday 15 February
Friday 19 February

Summer Term
Monday 12 April
Friday 16 July

Bank Holiday
Monday 3 May

Half Term
Monday 31 May
Friday 4 June

Non-Pupil Days
Wednesday 2 September 2020
Thursday 22 October 2020
Friday 23 October 2020
Friday 18 December 2020
Monday 19 July 2021

Academy Days
Tuesday 20 July 2021
Wednesday 21 July 2021

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Dates for Your Diary

Saturday	March	7	DofE Silver & Gold Training Day, Bures, 09.00 – 16.00
Sunday	March	8	Yr 12 Lessons from Auschwitz Seminar, London
Monday Week B	March	9	Science Week Bake Sale, Hall, Lunchtime Yr 8 Progress Check 2 to Parents Yr 12 Departmental Assessments
Tuesday	March	10	Yr 8 Bletchley Park Visit (8H & 8E) 07.00 – 17.00 Yr 12 Departmental Assessments
Wednesday	March	11	Yr 12 Departmental Assessments CTTC Additional Open Evening
Thursday	March	12	Yr 7 Parent Consultation Evening (7C, 7O & 7L) 16.15 – 19.15 Yr 12 Departmental Assessments
Friday	March	13	Yr 9 Geography/History Curriculum Day Yr 12 & 13 RE A Level Conference DofE Bronze Groups A & B 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	March	14	Yr 9 Magistrates Competition 09.00 – 13.30 External Booking: Colchester Scouts & Guides Gang Show

Parental Voice – Tuesday 10 March

Dear Parent
I would like to inform you that we have a Parental Voice meeting on Tuesday 10 March. Tea and Coffee will be served in the Bistro area from 09.15 and the meeting will start at 09.30. The meeting will last for approximately one hour. The agenda is driven by the parents/carers but I must remind you that Parental Voice works for the greater good of the school and is not about individual students; any queries about individual students should go through the normal communication channels.
If you would like to attend this meeting, I should be grateful if you would kindly email Mrs Quinn via lquinn@cchsg.com with a brief summary of any topics you would like to discuss by Friday 6 March.
Mrs W Jackson
Associate to the Principal & CEO

Corona Virus

Please continue to read and respond as necessary to the updates sent via email.

Student Safety

The visitors car par, bus park and Norman Way are very busy areas before and after school. We urge all drivers, cyclists and those walking in the area to proceed with consideration to all road users. Car drivers should heed the speed restrictions and signed route through the car park.
Students on foot should be aware of their surroundings and not be distracted by mobile phones.

Yr 8 Bletchley Park Visit Friday – Tuesday 10 March (8H & 8E) 07.00 – 17.00

Students need to bring a packed lunch, wear school uniform and to arrive promptly at 06.45 for a 07.00 departure. The coach will return between 17.00 and 17.30 approximately depending on traffic.

DofE Drop-in Sessions

There will be no DofE drop-in session at lunchtime on Tuesday 10 March.

Yr 7 Parent Consultation Evening (7C, 7O & 7L) – Thursday 12 March 16.15 – 19.15

Students should be booking appointments with subject staff to discuss their progress.

Yr 8 HPV 2 Vaccinations

The immunisation team will be in school on Wednesday 18 March.

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Yr 7-13 Science Overalls
All students must wear their school Science overalls to complete Science practical work. This is for their own safety and to protect their clothes. An increasing number of students have been turning up to Science lessons without their overalls. When this occurs, students are given a lunchtime detention.
From the start of the Summer Term (20 April onwards), any student arriving at a Science lesson without an overall will not be able to do the practical work.
Please ensure students in Yrs 7 and 8 have the blue overall.
Students in Yrs 9 and above may wear a blue overall or white overall when they have outgrown their blue one.
The Science department have some clean second hand white lab coats for sale for £2 each on a first-come-first-served basis. The PTFA may also have overalls available to purchase.
Alternatively if parents of students in Yrs 9 and above wish to buy a new white lab coat they can buy them from here: https://www.amazon.co.uk/Dr-James-Classic-Multiple-Pockets/dp/B00FYX0L1Q?ref_=ast_bbp_dp&th=1&psc=1
(other suppliers are also available).
Please ensure all lab **overalls are named** so they can be returned to students if they are lost and students can be quickly identified in the classroom in case of emergency.

Library Notification Emails
Students are reminded to check their emails as the Librarians send notifications via email. If students cannot access their email they need to contact IT as not reading their messages is not a valid reason for not returning their books to the Library.

Colchester Schools' Prom Rehearsal
Any student who performed on an instrument or were part of the Rock Choir, Chamber Choir or Yr 7 & 8 Singers in the Winter Concert have been invited to take part in the Colchester Schools' Prom music performance to perform the 'Black Parade Medley'. There is also a Queen medley to learn so attendance at the below rehearsals is essential.
Rehearsals M2/3:
Lunchtime Monday 9 March – Instrumentalists only
Lunchtime Tuesday 10 March – Instrumentalists and singers
Lunchtime Tuesday 17 March - Final Rehearsal before concert
The concert at Charter Hall is on Friday 20 March.

Yr 8 Visit to the First World War Battlefields of Ypres – Friday 5 June
A reminder that the deadline for payment via ParentPay and completion of the online consent is Friday 13 March.
Please also note students will need a valid EHIC card in order to travel and Passports should have at least six months before expiry.

PTFA Quiz and Curry Night – Friday 24 April
Have you got your tickets for an exciting night of quizzing and delicious food? See below for details of how to obtain your tickets.

Are You A Member Of The 'Class Of '86' – Or Do You Know Someone Who Is?
In celebration of 40 academic years since this Year Group began their CCHSG journey in 1979/80, a special reunion event is planned. This takes place at CCHSG on the afternoon of Saturday 25 April 2020. Those interested in attending are asked to email CCJS@mirandarayner.co.uk or call 01255 673848 to find out more.

Public Health Campaign Bulletin – March 2020
Please find attached the latest newsletter from ECFWS (Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service) from their Public Health and Healthy Schools Team, for your information.

Extra-Curricular Information

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
10.03.2020	15.45 – 17.00	Football	Various	St Helena	U16
10.03.2020	15.45 – 17.00	Netball	St Benedict's	Away	Yrs 8 & 9
11.03.2020	15.45 – 17.00	Netball	St Benedict's	Home	Yrs 10 & 11
11.03.2020	15.45 – 17.00	Football	Various	Play Football	Yr 7
11.03.2020	11.30 – 15.45	Cricket	Various	Indoor Centre, Chelmsford	U15
12.03.2020	15.00 – 17.45	Netball Central Venue	The Gilberd	Away	Yr 7

British Science Week 2020 at CCHSG – Tuesday 3 March – Friday 13 March
British Science week continues:
Science Careers Talk: ex-student Dr Annie Speak will be speaking to students on Tuesday 10 March in G0.

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All Yrs Young Writers Competition: *Missing*
Students should see Miss Withers for an entry sheet and they have the opportunity to be published. The deadline for all entries is Friday 31 March.

Foyley Young Poets of the Year Competition
Students (aged 11-17) who wish to enter should email Miss Withers with their entries by Monday 13 July – plenty of time for budding poets to get their entries in! Head to https://foyleyoungpoets.org/ for full terms and conditions.

Historical Fiction Book Club
A reminder that "The Silent Companions" by Laura Purcell is available to purchase via ParentPay at the discounted price of £6.50. The deadline for orders is
There is no requirement on purchasing the book through us to take part in the book club.

Revision Sessions

Subject	Year	Day	Time	Room	Topics Covered
Biology	Yr 13	Tuesday	15.45 – 17.00	G0	Tackling Maths, health & disease questions
Biology	Yr 11	Wednesday	15.45 – 17.00	G0	Classification and evolution (bring last week's notes), start of health and disease (topic 5)
Chemistry	Yr 13	Monday	12.40 – 13.20	G18	
Chemistry	Yr 11	Thursday	12.45 – 13.20	G18	Moles and titrations
Computer Science	Yr 11	Wednesday	15.40 – 16.40	T4	Unit 2
		Thursday	15.40 – 16.30		Examinations clinic
Economics	Yr 13	Tuesday	12.45 – 13.20	G8	
English	Yr 11	Tuesday & Thursday	15.45 – 16.45		
French	Yr 11	Tuesday	12.45 – 13.20	T8	Speaking
		Wednesday	12.45 – 13.20	G7	Writing
		Thursday	12.45 – 13.20	T14	Grammar
		Friday	12.45 – 13.20	T13	Listening and reading
Geography	Yr 13	Wednesday & Thursday	15.45 – 16.45	T2	
Geography	Yr 11	Tuesday	12.45 – 13.20	T2	Sixth Form Mentors Drop-in
		Friday	15.45 – 16.45		
German	Yr 11	Tuesday	12.45 – 13.20	T10	Grammar and writing
		Wednesday	15.45 – 16.45		
		Monday	12.45 – 13.20	T13	Listening and reading
History	Y13	Thursday	12.45 – 13.20	T20	Source skills workshop
History	Yr 11	Friday	12.45 – 13.20	T20	Cold War Question 3
Latin	Yr 11	Wednesday	12.45 – 13.20	G5	Latin grammar
Mathematics	Yr 13	Monday	12.45 – 13.20	iLab	
Pure Mathematics	Yr 13	Thursday	15.45 – 16.45	M12	
Mathematics	Yr 11	Tuesday Week A	15.45 – 16.45	M9	(11EGL)
		Thursday Week A	15.45 – 16.45	M11	(11BRO)
		Thursday Week B	15.45 – 16.45	M8 & M11	(11MKI & 11BRO)
PE	Yr 11	Friday	12.40 – 13.10	H3	
Physics	Yr 13	Wednesday	15.45 – 16.45	G1	Astrophysics
Physics	Yr 11	Tuesday	15.50 – 16.50	G2	AC Electricity
Psychology	Yr 13	Thursday	12.45 – 13.20	H3	Issues and debates
			15.35 – 16.45	H2	
Psychology	Yr 11	Tuesday	15.35 – 16.35	H2	

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Careers Information

Study & Careers Magazine March 2020
We are pleased to announce that the March 2020 Study & Careers Magazine has been published. Some of the fantastic articles include:

- Getting ready for Medical School applications
- Investment Banking & Finance School-leaver/Apprenticeship Guide
- UK National LMI Data
- National Careers Week Highlights

The publication will be available under Careers in the school website.

Yr 13 Trainee Accountant Opportunity
Moore Greene, local chartered accountants, are looking for students to train with them to become a fully qualified accountant starting summer 2020. The training package includes all training costs including course fees, text books, travel to college etc. For more information please contact joanne.wilkinson@mooregreen.co.uk

Ford Advanced Engineering Apprenticeship 2020 Information Evenings
For those thinking about a career in Engineering these open evenings are for potential applicants and their families and will be at the Ford Dunton Technical Centre in Basildon Essex, doors open 18.30 with presentations to commence at 19.00
Advanced Engineering Tuesday 31 March, please register at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ford-motor-company-advanced-engineering-apprentice-open-evening-2020-tickets-94349446735
Higher Engineering Monday 23 March, please register at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ford-motor-company-higher-engineering-apprentice-open-evening-2020-tickets-94349980331
IT Degree Apprenticeship Thursday 12 March, please register at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ford-motor-company-it-degree-apprenticeship-open-evening-2020-tickets-94350584137

Community Information – we draw your attention to the following:

Colchester Engineering Society – Promoting Science, Technology and Engineering: Friday 20 March 18.30 fro 19.00 at Colchester Institute
A talk presented by Dr Alan Grant; 'Resilient Positioning, Navigation and Time with Focus on the Maritime Secotr'. This informative presentation will review how satellite navigation works, how it is used today and what you can do to ensure it is not lying to you. Light refreshments will be served. Suggested donation £2. For any enquiries please contact John Pyle on 01206 501538 or visit their website http://www.colchesterengineeringsociety.co.uk/

Georgia's Dance Academy
A new dance school based in Maldon and surrounding areas in Essex, suitable for boys and girls aged 3 years to adult. Disco freestyle, Street, Rock n' Roll, Lyrical + More taught by A.I.S.T.D qualified with 18+ years experience, for beginner to advanced level. For more information contact Georgia Monk info@georgiasdanceacademy.co.uk

Letters sent out this Week
Al Yrs: E-Safety Information Evening
All Yrs: Schools' Prom Concert (selected students)
Yrs 10 & 12: German Exchange Information
Yrs 11 & 12: Rotary Youth Speaks Senior Public Speaking Competition (selected students
Yr 12: Internal Assessments
Yr 12: University of Oxford's English Faulty Open Day (selected students)
Yr 12: British Ecological Society Summer School
Yr 12: A Level Geography Coursework Workbook Purchase
Yr 13: A Level Mathematics Revision Session

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
All Yrs	E-Safety Information Evening	Monday 23 March
All Yrs	Schools' Prom Concert	Friday 6 March
Yr 8	Battlefields of Ypres	Friday 13 March
Yr 10	Thorpe Park	Friday 22 May
Yrs 11 & 12	Rotary Youth Speaks Senior Public Speaking Competition	Friday 6 March
Yr 12	British Ecological Society Summer School	Monday 9 March
Yr 12	A Level Geography Coursework Workbook Purchase	Friday 20 March
Yr 13	A Level Mathematics Revision Session	Friday 27 March

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Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 9 March
Priority for Yrs 12 & 13 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
13.05	Yr 9 & 10	running the club.

Menu for w/c 9 March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie with Sweetcorn	Panko Pork Wasabi & Soy Sauce with Peas & Carrots	Pizza, Chips & Salad	Sweet & Sour Chicken Noodles	Seafood Tagliatelle with Broccoli
Or				
Vegetable Chilli with Rice	Mediterranean Pasta Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Cheesy Stack Wrap with Salad	Gnocchi in Tomato Sauce with Salad
Main Meal £2.90				
Jam Sponge Pudding with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Chocolate Mousse	Rice Pudding with Jam	Cheesecake
Pudding £1.20				
Panino of the Week: Turkey Mozzarella & Pesto £2.90				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week for w/c 9 March
Next week the word is: **SALIENT** – having a quality that thrusts itself into attention.

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PTFA
Registered Charity No. 1110464

1. Meeting dates for Spring Term

PTFA Meeting: Monday 30 March
Time: 19.30 - 21.00 - all PTFA Meetings are held in the School Dining Room
Agenda: Final Planning for the Quiz and Curry Night (Friday 24 April) & other school events supported by PTFA over the Spring Term.

2. Quiz & Curry Night: Friday 24 April. Doors open from 18.30 for a 19.00 start

Tickets for this fun, family event cost £10 for adults, £5 for under 17s and £25 for a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children). Why not form a team of 6-8 from your child's Form Group? Tickets can be purchased via Classlist. If you have yet to sign up for Classlist, this can be done quickly and easily via www.classlist.com, search for our school and sign up. Classlist is free to use, completely secure, GDPR compliant and used by over 2,000 UK schools. Once signed up to Classlist you can purchase your tickets via:

https://app.classlist.com/school/#/community-events/dashboard/660010924

This will be a sell out event, so don't miss out!

3. Upcoming Second Hand Uniform Sale Dates
Yr 7 Parent Consultation Evening - 3 Groups (Thursday 12 March)
Yr 9 Parent Consultation Evening (Thursday 19 March)
Yr 8 Parent Consultation Evening (Thursday 29 April)

Additional Information:

- **All uniform sales are open to all Yr Groups**. You do not need to be attending the Consultation Evening to visit the sale.
- **The Second Hand Uniform Shop is run by parent volunteers** who give generously of their time to ensure that items are fit for resale by washing, ironing and mending donated items. They also staff the shop during sale times. Additional volunteers are very welcome, so please contact us.
- **Donations of unwanted uniform**, in good condition, are gratefully received throughout the year via the School Reception.
- **We regret that we cannot accommodate individual requests** to purchase uniform outside the published sale dates.
- **Blazers do not need to be dry cleaned**. The washing instructions on the garment provide information about how to wash blazers in your home washing machine.

4. Recycle Your Ink Cartridges and Help Support CCHSG PTFA
Help us raise funds simply by recycling your ink cartridges via the *Recycle4Charity* programme. For each inkjet cartridge recycled via the programme we will receive a £1 donation. Cartridge brands accepted include HP, Dell, Canon, Kodak, Frama, Pitney Bowes and Neopost. Full list here https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/InkjetCartridges
For your convenience, we have placed freepost envelopes and a box to deposit your used ink cartridges at the School Reception. Envelopes can also be sent to your home address so you can send cartridges directly via freepost. To do this please register at: http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/Register/C95556

PTFA CONTACTS:
Chair: Agness O'Brien
agnessobrien@hotmail.com
Tel. 01376 573694 or 07951 511653
For all enquires related to the PTFA, email cchsgptfa@gmail.com

CCHS PTFA

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Quiz & Curry

Friday
24 April
2020

Teams of
6-8
or
we can find
you a team

Doors Open
6.30pm
Quiz starts
7pm

Ticket price includes a vegetarian meal
Meat dishes will be available for an additional charge

Adult: £10 (17 years and over)

Child: £5 (up to 16 years)

Family of 2A + 2C: £25

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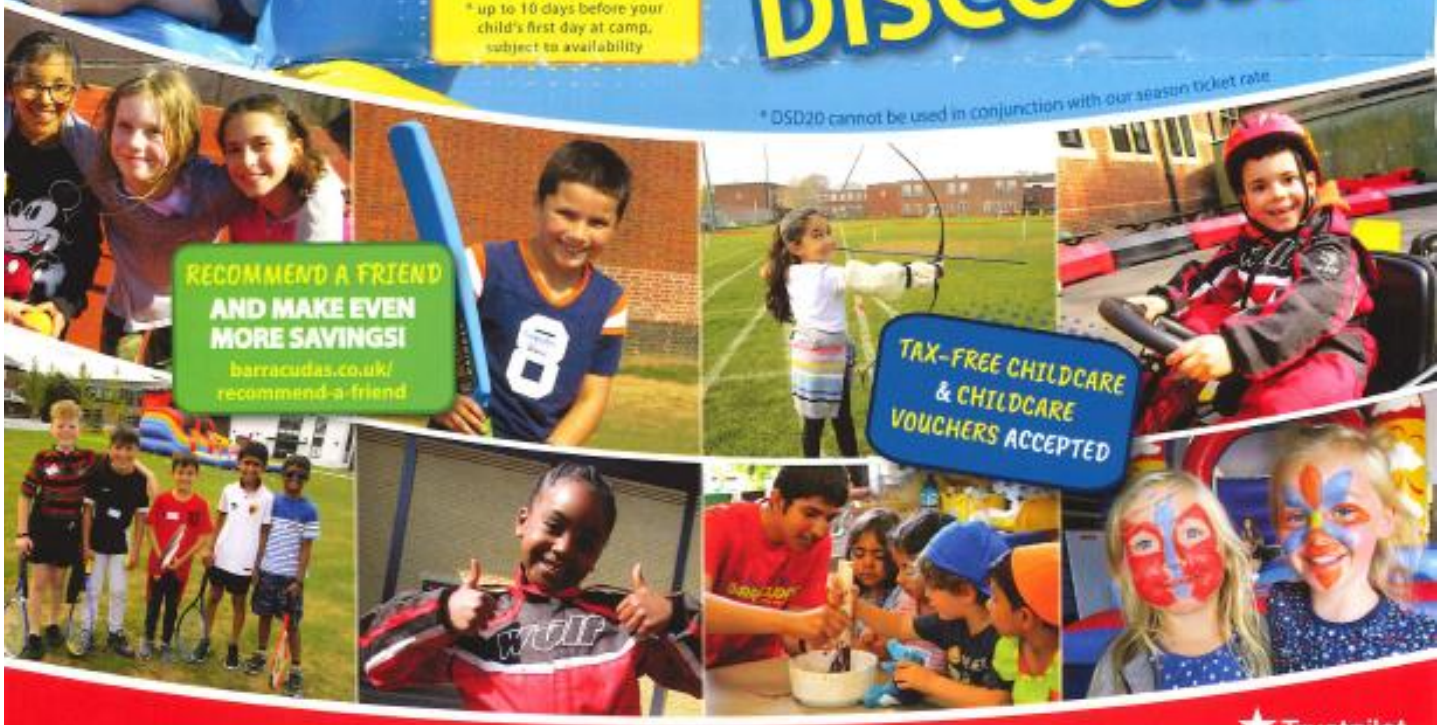
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