Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
27 May 2022

Term Dates 2021 – 2022

Spring Term
Tuesday 4 January
Friday 1 April
Bank Holiday
Monday 3 January

Half Term
Monday 14 February
Friday 18 February

Summer Term
Tuesday 19 April
Monday 18 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 18 April
Monday 2 May

Half Term
Monday 30 May
Friday 3 June

Non-Pupil Days
Tuesday 19 July
Wednesday 20 July
Thursday 21 July

Term Dates 2022 – 2023

Autumn Term
Thursday 1 September
Tuesday 20 December

Half Term
Monday 24 October
Friday 28 October

Spring Term
Thursday 5 January
Friday 31 March

Half Term
Monday 13 February
Friday 17 February

Summer Term
Monday 17 April
Friday 21 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 1 May

Half Term
Monday 29 May
Friday 2 June

Non-Pupil Days
Thursday 1 September
Friday 2 September
Thursday 20 October
Friday 21 October
Monday 19 December
Tuesday 20 December
Wednesday 19 July
Thursday 20 July
Friday 21 July

Safeguarding: Never Acceptable
to report a concern:
Click Here to make an Anonymous Report
Link to Whisper an anonymous third-party service for CCHSG

WE WISH STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES A RESTFUL HALF TERM BREAK

Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week **A**	June	6	Assembly: Yr 12 via Teams
Tuesday	June	7	Assembly: Yr 10 via Teams Yr 9 Computing Matrix Day (1/2 Yr Group as below)
Wednesday	June	8	Assembly: Yr 8 via Teams Yr 9 Computing Matrix Day (1/2 Yr Group as below) Fair Access Programme 16.00 - 1700
Thursday	June	9	
Friday	June	10	Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group B Equipment Issue 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	June	11	Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group B Qualifying Expedition
Sunday	June	12	Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group B Qualifying Expedition

School resumes after Half Term on Monday 6 June (Week A)

Public Examinations
GCSE and A Level examinations continue after the Half Term break.
Students should be mindful and considerate of those sitting an examination and remain silent in these areas. We wish all students taking an examination every success.

Yr 11 & 13 Returning Textbooks
Students should return textbooks/reading books, once they have finished with them, to the Library, not to teaching staff. The Librarians can check back in books as they receive them so therefore students do not need to return all their books at the same time. Students' will receive their Leavers Ball (Yr 13) or Celebration Evening (Yr 11) tickets after their Library card is clear.

Yr 9 Computer Science Matrix Days – Tuesday 7 June & Wednesday 8 June
Students will be off timetable: 9C, 9O and half of 9L on Tuesday and 9H, 9E and half of 9L on Wednesday in T4, T7 and T17.
Students need to have a pen, further instruction will be given on the day, we hope students enjoy the enrichment day.

Blockbusters Summer Concert – Tuesday 12 & Wednesday 13 July 19.00
CCHSG Drama and Music Departments would like to invite you to our summer showcase of music, drama and dance: "Blockbusters". Elements of the evening will be in celebration and memory of Mr Ulph,
Tickets cost £10 and are available via https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BQSW There will also be a BBQ and bar available from 18.00. We do hope you can join us.

The Catherine Bullen Foundation Appeal for Cakes!
A reminder of the appeal for the foundation's
cake stall at the West Mersea Jubilee street fair on 3 June – any contributions welcome!
If you are to help/bake please email the Bullens: rogerbullen409@btinternet.com

Yr 12 Biology Field Trip Reminder
A reminder to parents and students that the final payment for the Biology fieldtrip to Dorset in September 2022 is due by Monday 4 July. The balance will show on ParentPay as it depends on the deposit initially made. Parents will receive an update on the itinerary later on this term. Any queries please contact Dr Martin.

May E-Newsletter Published
The E-Newsletter for this half term is now available via the website at: https://www.cchsg.com/latest-newsletter/ Items include DofE News, Amber Atherton Enterprise Award, PTFA Quiz & Curry Night, Yr 13 Dress Up Day, Yr 13 Leaver's Assembly, Language, Culture and Diversity Week, Will Quince visits CCHSG, Yr 11 Celebration Tea, RSC Top of the Bench Competition and much more.

For regular updates on CCHSG activities you can follow us on Facebook @colchestergirls or Twitter @CCHSG_ For PE Department news see @CchsgD

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Student Sporting Success
Five students took part in the Essex Schools Athletics Combined Events at Brentwood on Wednesday, where they had to compete in five events; 800m, Hurdles, Shot, High Jump and Long Jump.
All students were exceptional, both in their competitions, but also attitude and how they represented the school. Well done to the students who took part.

Updating Student Sporting Success - Sports Presentation Evening 2022
With the Sports Presentation Evening fast approaching, the PE department are looking for updates on students' sporting success outside of school. If students have competed for the school this academic year, and/ or competes in a sport to a high level outside of school, we ask parents to complete the online form via Updating Student Sporting Success . Many thanks.

CCHSG 500 Club – Winners of the May Draw
Congratulations to our winners who have been contacted by telephone or email.
First Prize £189: ticket 98918-1424611 – parent of a student in Yr 8
Second Prize £113: ticket 98918-1472433 – parent of a student in Yr 9
Third Prize £76: ticket 98918-1600505 – parent of a student in Yr 8

Our thanks go to all those generous parents and staff who have purchased tickets in support of the school. The next draw takes place on Wednesday 22 June. All the funds raised will go directly towards the provision of additional resources and equipment for our students. Terms and conditions apply and can be found on our website https://www.cchsg.com/500-club-rules/

Lost Property
Any unnamed lost property that has been handed in since the start of this term, has been photographed and recorded on SharePoint for students to view. We urge them to check to see if anything belongs to them, items can be collected from Reception. **Please ensure all belongings brought into school are named.**

Healthy Living Rotations
Students can access the initial recipes to check ingredients via SharePoint.
After the Half Term break the session is – **Monday 6 June: 8Y Rotation 5 second session.**
We hope they enjoy their Healthy Living sessions.

Wellbeing Information
Any student who feels they need wellbeing support, should contact any of the following:
EWMHS: 0800 953 0222
Young Minds: https://www.youngminds.org.uk/
Kooth: https://www.kooth.com/
Sexual abuse or harassment can also be reported to neveracceptable@cchsg.com or see the anonymous reporting link on the front of the Bulletin.
Childline: 0800 1111 NSPCC: 0808 800 5000
The School Nurse and School Counsellor are available for student appointments.

e-Safety Information – What Parents Need to Know about Group Chats
Occurring through messaging apps, on social media and in online games, group chats are among the most popular ways that young people engage with their peers online. Involving, by definition, three or more individuals, these groups allow users to send messages, images and videos to everyone in one place. While they are useful for helping friends, people with shared interests or members of a club to communicate and coordinate activities, they can also leave young people feeling excluded and bullied – as well as providing opportunities for inappropriate content to be shared and viewed.

Please find attached a helpful guide, in which you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as bullying, inappropriate content and unknown members.

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Careers Information

Careers Lead – Dom Gosling
Impartial Careers Adviser – Julie Kee
Students can make appointments with Julie Kee via the sign-up sheet outside of Lesley Tarrier's office.

Post 16 and Post 18 Options
There is a vast array of options for students after Yr 11 and Yr 13.
Students should explore different options and decide what the best route is for them and the path they want to follow. If students have questions they can speak to their Form Tutor or book a careers advice appointment with our impartial careers adviser.
Please use the links for more information on the following:

Post 16 Options	Post 18 Options
National Careers Service **link**	National Careers Service **link**
A Levels	Traineeships
T Levels	Supported internships
Technical and vocational qualifications	Apprenticeships
Applied qualifications	School Leavers Schemes
Traineeships	1 year funded course for ages 18 to 19
Supported internships	Higher technical skills courses
Apprenticeships	University degree
School leaver schemes	Internships
	Start a business
	Get a kickstart job
	Get a job

Curricular and Enrichment Activities

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
07.06.2022	15.10 – 17.30	Rounders	Various	Away	Yr 7

Students should also check the noticeboard in PE regularly for any updates or changes.

Drama Rehearsal Information
Please find below the schedule for Les Miserable auditions after Half Term. If students wish to audition for a lead role, they should be preparing one of the songs listed on the posters in M school. To audition for a minor role, with some solo/group singing, they should also prepare one of the songs. Students are able to audition for as many roles as they would like.
In addition, rehearsals for the summer show will be moving to a Wednesday evening after school, whilst we complete the auditions for Les Miserable.

Wednesday 8 June – Blocking "Harry Rings…" 15.35 – 16.30
Wednesday 15 June – Finish blocking "Harry Rings…" 15.35 – 16.30
Practice rooms will be available on both of these evenings for those wishing to rehearse other acts for the summer show/Les Miserable audition preparation.

Les Miserable Auditions – After School, Finishing at 17.00
Thursday 9 June – Gavroche and Young Cosette
Thursday 16 June – Valjean, Javert and Enjolras
Thursday 23 June – The Thenardiers
Thursday 30 June – Marius and Cosette
Thursday 7 July – Fantine and Eponine
Thursday 14 July – possible call backs if needed

Thank you and have a restful Half Term break, we are looking forward to a very busy final Half Term of the year.

Yr 12 Biology Revision Sessions – Lunchtime in F13
Revision to support preparation for assessments in June will be on Tuesday 7 June and Thursday 9 June, all welcome. Revision topics will be emailed out to students in advance.

Yr 10 Pride and Prejudice Party – Monday Lunchtime in F10
Starting on Monday 6 June and continuing every Monday, Yr 10 students are invited to watch the BBC series of Pride and Prejudice. Students can bring their lunch.

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English Department Summer Holiday Courses with Mrs Davidson
Mrs Davidson is considering running two five-day Teams courses, if they attract a minimum of nine participants. The target audience is Yrs 10 – 13, particularly Oxbridge students and anyone thinking of an English, History or Classics degree. However, any student who wishes to spend their summer with the world's greatest literature, would be extremely welcome!

Everything You Need to Know about English Literature in Ten Hours (10.00 – 12.00)
This will look at how English Literature developed from the 14th to the 21st century

Nine Greek Tragedies (plays that shaped the world) (10.00 – 16.00 play-reading and discussion)
Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides NB this is a repeat of last summer's course.

At present Mrs Davidson can be very flexible on dates . If students are provisionally interested in either or both – no commitment as yet – they should email Mrs Davidson with the weeks they are available and/or to ask for more details ADavidson@cchsg.com

Community Information

Essex County Council - TravelEssex App
We are sharing information regarding TravelEssex from Essex County Council; 'an easy-to-use journey planning app that allows users to view sustainable transport options throughout Essex in one place. This new, free-to-use sustainable travel app can help you plan journeys across the county by train, bus, bike and foot.
Providing real-time travel information, the app gives users journey information, departure times and live alerts for bus and rail services across the county. Users can also select their 'favourite' destinations, so their planned route is only a few clicks away.
To plan your next sustainable journey, download the TravelEssex app by searching 'TravelEssex' in the Google Store or Apple app or by visiting www.travelessex.co.uk'

Dining Room Arrangements
Breakfast – 'to go' served between 08.00 – 08.35, accessed via the Dining Hall Extension Doors outside the servery.
Breaktime – Yrs 7-11 need to go to the allocated outside area to eat. Break service 'to go' in Dining Hall.

Pre-orders must be made by 08.30
Please ensure your child's ParentPay meal account is in credit.

Student Lunch Order

Menu for w/c 6 June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie with Sweetcorn	Pork, Lentil &Vegetable Sausage Roll with Salad	Beefburger, Chips & Beans	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Seafood Tagliatelle with Broccoli
Or				
Vegetable Curry (Vegan)	Vegetable Pasta Salad (Vegan)	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Vegan Curry with Rice	Gnocchi in Tomato Sause with Salad (Vegan)
Main Meal £3				
Jam Sponge with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Strawberries with Cream	Banana & Toffee Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Mousse
Pudding £1.20				
Panini £3				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				
Carrot & Coriander (Vegan)	Vegetable (Vegan)	Tomato & Basil	Leek & Potato (Vegan)	French Onion (Vegan)

Correspondence Sent out this Week
All Yrs: Sports Celebration Evening
Yr 7: Shakespeare Extravaganza
Yr 7: Master Research Project Participation (selected students)
Yr 8: Transition into Year 8
Yr 9: GCSE Set Text Purchase
Yr 10: GCSE Mathematics Revision Materials
Yrs 10 - 12: Operating Theatre Live Enrichment Day

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Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
All Yrs	Sports Celebration Evening	Friday 10 June
Yr 7	Shakespeare Extravaganza	Monday 27 June
Yr 8	Essex Outdoors Mersea Activity Day	Monday 6 June
Yr 9	GCSE English Set Text Purchase	Monday 13 June
Yr 9	DofE Bronze Group A Qualifying Expedition	Friday 27 May
Yr 9	DofE Bronze Group B Qualifying Expedition	Friday 27 May
Yr 10	DofE Bronze Group A Qualifying Expedition	Friday 17 June
Yr 10	DofE Bronze Group B Qualifying Expedition	Friday 17 June
Yr 10	Purchase of Science Revision Guides	Monday 6 June
Yr 10	GCSE Mathematics Revision Materials	Friday 17 June
Yrs 10-12	Operating Theatre Live Enrichment Day	Monday 13 June
Yr 11	Celebration Evening	Friday 27 May
Yr 12	A Level Mathematics Revision Guides	Monday 6 June
Yr 12	Biology Fieldtrip to Dorset final payment	Monday 4 July
Yrs 12 & 13	DofE Gold Qualifying Expedition	Thursday 30 June

Word of the Week for w/c 6 June
Next week the word is: **RAVISHING** – extremely beautiful or attractive.

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PTFA
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COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

1. Dates for Your Diary

- **PTFA Meeting: Monday 13 June 19.30 – 21.00** in CCHSG Dining Hall
  (Meeting agenda attached to Bulletin dated 13 May)
- **Summer Term Nearly New Uniform & Books Sale: Thursday 7 July**
  (Further details in Item 5 below)
- **Annual Christmas Market: Saturday 26 November, 12.00 – 15.00**
  Save the date for this popular annual fundraising event hosted by CCHSG PTFA which is open to our local community

Note: All planned PTFA events are continually reviewed and where necessary changes will be made in response to the latest government guidance.

2. Everest Base Camp Challenge Fundraiser

Mr Gowrishankar Jegadeeswaran, parent of a Year 8 student from CCHSG, has raised over £1,700 plus gift-aid in donations. We congratulate Mr Gowrishankar on completing the challenge and thank him for choosing to raise funds in support of CCHSG PTFA. On behalf of Mr Gowrishankar, CCHSG PTFA would also like to thank all the generous donors.

3. Annual Christmas Market 2022 – 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 26 November, 12.00 – 15.00.
Cost: Single stall £25, Double stalls £40.
For further details and a copy of the booking form please email cchsgptfa@gmail.com

4. Beresfords Estate Agent's Advertising Boards to Promote the Christmas Market

We are delighted that Beresfords Estate Agents have once again agreed to promote our Christmas Market which will be held on Saturday 26 November. We will be back in touch with all those parents, grandparents and friends who previously registered their addresses in Colchester to confirm that they are happy to host a board again this year. This time, we are pleased that the advertising will also cover Chelmsford. If you own a property in Colchester or Chelmsford which is in a prominent location with public access or visibility and would like to volunteer your address, please let us know. Boards are installed no more than 3 weeks before the event and removed during the week afterwards. Family and friends can also volunteer.

Contact: Agness O'Brien on Classlist or email cchsgptfa@gmail.com with your full address, email address, contact telephone number and preferred location for installation of the advertising board at your property (e.g. front lawn, etc.)

5. Summer Term Nearly New Uniform and Books Sale – Thursday 7 July

16.00 – 17.00 – current Years 7-10
17.00 – 20.00 – new Year 7 students (September 2022 intake only)

Appeal for Nearly New Uniform & Revision Book Donations

Please continue to support us with donations of uniform and revision books from 11 Plus, SATs, GCSE & A-level. Please ask students to deposit items in the wheelie bins outside the reception. Thank you in advance for responding to this appeal.

Volunteering opportunities for the above sale are now open - could you help?
The sign-up link to help is https://volunteersignup.org/TJPJT

6. Classlist – Community Liaison Officers (Class Reps) needed!

The PTFA is seeking to recruit motivated and friendly parents to join our well-established and exciting team. The successful candidates will be expected to develop and provide positive links between parents and the PTFA to develop the home/school partnership.

Two representatives are needed for each Form in Years 7-9. Please register your interest with us via email at cchsgptfa@gmail.com

Have a restful Half Term break!

PTFA CONTACTS: For all enquires related to PTFA email cchsgptfa@gmail.com

Extracurricular Clubs and Activities – Summer Term 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime				
History Revision SSA Yr 11 in T20	**Debate Club** IPZ Yr 13 in T20	**Chess Club** (Wk A) EGL Yrs 7&8 in M6	**GeogSoc** JKI Yr 12 in T2	**Italian Club** VGR Yr 7 in T11
Mechanics (Wk B) SBR Yr 13 in M10	**German** Club JLendzion Yr 8 in T14	**Mathematics Surgery** BRO & MKI All Yrs in M10	**Creative Writing Club** ASI & SWA, All Yrs in F14	**History of Mathematics** PBU Yr 9 in M8
Additional Mathematics (Wk A) MKI Yr 11 in M7	**Oxbridge Physics** TAD Yr 12 in G2	**Additional Mathematics** (Wk B) EGL Yr 11 in M9	**MedSoc** All Yrs F13	**VetSoc** All Yrs in F13
Pi Club DGO Yrs 7-11 in M8	**Programming** (Basic to Intermediate) MWH Yrs 9-13 in T17	**Mathematics Intervention** DWI Yr 12 in M11	**History Film Club** IPZ All Yrs in T20	**Physics Olympiad** (Wk A) IMI Yrs 9&10 in G1
French Club LBoutellier All Yrs in T13	**A Level Mathematics Revision** BRO, Yr 13 in M10	**Guitar & Ukulele Group** GClark All Yrs in M2	**Concert Orchestra** FJE All Yrs in M2	**Physics Club** (Wk B) TAD All Yrs in G2
The Bluebirds FJE Yrs 7&8 in M2	**Senior Choir** FJE Yrs 9-13 in M2	**Kazoo Club** FJE All Yrs in M12	**Homework, GMetrix** T4	**A Level Mathematics Support** DGO Yr 13 in M10
Boomwhacker Club FJE Yrs 9-13 in M12	**PsychSoc** KPH, All Yrs in H4	**Programming** (Advanced) MWH Yrs 9-13 in T17	**Programming** (All Levels) MWH Yrs 7&8 in T17	**French Bilingual Club** LBoutellier Yrs 7&8 in T14
Art Club TAL, All Yrs in G26/G27	**Homework, GMetrix** T4	**Homework, GMetrix** T4		**Oxbridge** IPZ Yr 12 in T20
FemSoc (Wk B) VWI All Yrs in G24	**French Grammar Revision** MBU Yrs 9 & 10 in G7			**Strictly Strings** KWaterworth All Yrs in M2
Problem Solving SBR Yr 12 in M10				**Flutissimo** FJE All Yrs in M19
Pride & Prejudice Screening CCR Yr 10 in F10				**Retro Gaming** CNA All Yrs, in T4
After School				
	Study Support CNA & MWH All Yrs in T4	**Dungeons & Dragons Club** JST & KLA All Yrs in the Library	**Computing** Extended Learning & Competitions CNA & MWH All Yrs in T4	
		English for Obsessives EDA All Yrs via MS Teams		