Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
22 April 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

Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week **B**	April	25	No Assembly Yr 7 Maximize Workshop in the Hall Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments
Tuesday	April	26	Assembly: Yr 10 in the Hall Yr 10 DofE Bronze Group B 15.45 – 17.30 Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments DofE Gold 15.45 – 18.30
Wednesday	April	27	Assembly: Yr 8 in the Hall Yr 8 Examination Results to Parents Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments Yr 12 Young Enterprise Regional Final Fair Access Programme
Thursday	April	28	Assembly: Yr 11 in the Hall Yr 8 Parent Consultation Evening (H, E & S) Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments
Friday	Apr	29	No Assembly Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group A 15.45 – 17.30 Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments
Saturday	Apr	30	Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group A Training Day 09.00 – 17.00

'Living with Covid' at CCHSG
Updated guidance advises that students who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to attend.
For those aged 18 and under, the advice is for 3 days of no contact with other people.
Covid related absence is now counted as sickness absence for all students in educational settings.

Yr 11 GCSE Language Speaking Assessments
These will be taking place all week in T10, T11 and T14. We ask students to be considerate and remain silent if in this area and to be mindful of room changes.
We wish the students taking an assessment every success.

Yr 8 Parent Consultation Evening for 8H, 8E & 8S – Thursday 28 April, 16.15 – 19.15
Parents can make appointments for this evening from 20.00 on Thursday 21 April.
Please refer to the letter sent out regarding the Yr 8 Key Stage 4 Curriculum Information Evening and Parent Consultation Evening letter sent on 4 March.

CCHSG 500 Club – Winners of the April Draw
First Prize £189: ticket 98918-1424611 – parent of a student in Yr 8
Second Prize £113: ticket 98918-1643230 – parent of a student in Yr 9
Third Prize £76: ticket 98918-1425169 – parent of a student in Yr 7
All winners will be contacted by telephone or email.
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 Friday 20 May. 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/

Latin Department – ECCL Euroclassica Latin Success
This year Latin students in Yrs 11 and 13 took part in the ECCL Euroclassica Latin examination which is open to students across Europe. All students performed really well, many students at Vestibulum GCSE level achieved Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards and at Ianua A Level Silver and Gold Awards.
Congratulations to all the students that took part!

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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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.
Next week the rotation is – **Monday 25 April 8Y Rotation 5 and Tuesday 26 April 8X Rotation 5.**
We hope they enjoy their Healthy Living sessions.

e-Safety Information - #Ask the Awkward
Is a new resource from Thinkuknow for parents/carers of secondary age children. Talking regularly with your child about relationships can help develop shared understanding, trust and support between you. Talk little. Talk often. Ask The Awkward.

#AskTheAwkward aims to help parents/carers have regular conversations with their children about online relationships and explores the importance of online spaces at all stages of a relationship: 'Talk little. Talk often. Ask The Awkward'

The resource includes three short films created in a social experiment style with parents and their children to capture their reactions to a range of questions. A set of help sheets give essential information on nine key topics, to raise understanding of the themes raised in the films. They also provide links to further information and conversation starters on each topic.
Visit https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/ask-the-awkward/

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.

Curricular and Enrichment Activities

PE Clubs and Practices
The timetable for the Spring Term can be found below.

Art Club – Mondays 12.45 in G26
Art Club will be returning from Monday 26 April, run by the new Art Ambassadors. It's an opportunity for students to get creative and learn something new each week, all Years welcome, students should bring their lunch. See poster below.

Yr 13 A Level Biology Revision – Wednesdays 12.15 – 13.15 in F13
These will continue each week on Wednesday, picking up a different topic/skill. Next week we will be looking at tricky questions from the advance information topics, all welcome.

Yr 11 GCSE Biology Revision – Thursdays 12.45 – 13.15 in F13
These will continue each week on Thursdays, picking up a different topic/skill. Students are welcome to being their lunch. Next week we will be looking at 6-mark questions in relation to advance information, all welcome.

Yr 11 GCSE History Revision
Weekly revision sessions for Yr 11 History students continue every Monday in T21 from 12.45 (students are welcome to being their lunch). Each week will focus on a different examination question and therefore all History students are encouraged to attend.

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History Film Screening – Thursday Lunchtime in T20
The History department will be playing the BBC documentary on the Korean War: "The Never Ending War" in T20 on Thursday at lunchtime. All Year Groups are invited but we specifically do encourage GCSE students to attend to aid with revision.

Geography Revision Session
A Level afterschool on Thursdays 15.45 – 16.30 in T2.
GCSE afterschool on Fridays 15.45 – 16.30 in T2.
Students should post in their classes' MS Teams channel any specific topic areas or content they would like to address ahead of the sessions so we can prepare suitable resources.

Yrs 9 – 13: PsychSoc – Tuesday 26 April, Lunchtime in H4
Students should come along and find out more about Psychology as a subject and where it can take them in their chosen career. There are so many careers Psychology relates to, for example those considering medicine, students are urged to come and find out how it can relate to them!

VetSoc Talk – Friday 6 May, Lunchtime in F13
VetSoc are delighted to have Chris Hobson from the Royal Veterinary College, London (RVC) coming in to give a talk on being a Vet and the Veterinary Medicine course at the RVC. All students interested are welcome!

Medsoc Book Club
Medsoc have started a book club for anyone interested in reading about or discussing books about experiences in healthcare. Please see poster below for details.

Debate Club – Tuesday Lunchtime in T20
The topic for next week will be: "This house believes that Parliament should accept the Prime Minister's apology."

Physics Club - Friday Week B, Lunchtime in G2
Space flight – is it worth the price?

Oxbridge Physics – Tuesday Lunchtime in G2
We will go through a few questions Oxbridge entrance examination questions every week and even if students are not applying but enjoy some challenging Physics, then they are welcome as well!

Careers Information

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

Careers Education Across the Curriculum
At CCHSG transferable skills that will benefit all students in their future are embedded in our broad and balanced curriculum. These skills will help students respond with confidence to the demands of undergraduate study and the world of work. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development defines skills, or competencies, as 'the bundle of knowledge, attributes and capacities that can be learned and that enable individuals to successfully and consistently perform an activity and task and can be built upon and extended through learning.'
We want all students to recognise and understand the importance of developing these skills across all subjects and encourage them to think about which skills they are using and improving every lesson.

Cognitive Skills	Interpersonal Skills	Intrapersonal Skills
Non-routine problem solving	Communication	Adaptability
Systems thinking	Relationship building skills	Self-management and self-development
Critical thinking	Collaborative problem solving	
ICT literacy		

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.**

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Lunchtime Arrangements
In consultation with the Student Voice Team, the arrangements for queuing at lunchtime have gone back to the pre-Covid-19 arrangements, starting after Easter. This includes queuing for the Snack Shack, with the exception of pre-orders and paninis which can be collected from 12.35.

12.35 Priority for Yr 13 students (Yr 12 to collect their food from the Sixth Form Servery)
Lunchtime activity participants with passes (must be on the list held by Mr Gosling)
Pre-orders and Paninis

WEEK A		**WEEK B**	
12.40	Yr 11	**12.40**	Yr 11
12.45	Yrs 9 & 10	**12.45**	Yr 7 & 8
12.55	Yrs 7 & 8	**12.55**	Yr 9 & 10
13.05	All Yrs who missed their allocated slot	**13.05**	All Yrs who missed their allocated slot

Students must wear their Year Group badge. Hot food and drinks **must** be consumed in the Dining Hall.
Yrs 12 & 13 can take **covered** hot drinks to the Common Room only.
Bags must be put on the racks. No mobile phones out in the Dining Hall.
No eating in Form Rooms – eat in Dining Hall or outside only.
Students should follow the Form Room behaviour protocols devised by Student Voice when in their Form Room at wet break and lunchtime.

Student Lunch Order

Sixth Form Lunch Order

Menu for w/c 25 April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti Bolognaise with Sweetcorn	Pork, Lentil & Vegetable Sausage Roll with Carrots	Sausages, Chips & Beans	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Noodles	Fishcake with Broccoli
Or				
Vegetable Curry with Rice (Vegan)	Vegetable Lasagne with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Mediterranean Pasta Salad (Vegan)	Quiche with Salad
Main Meal £3				
Jam Sponge Pudding with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Pavlova	Banana & Toffee Sponge with Custard	Cornflake tart with Custard
Pudding £1.20				
Panini £3				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				
Carrot & Coriander (Vegan)	Tomato & Lentil (Vegan)	French Onion (Vegan)	Sweet Potato & Butternut Squash (Vegan)	Vegetable (Vegan)

Correspondence Sent out this Week
Yr 7: Year 7 Examinations
Yr 11: Hoodie Purchase

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yr 9	DofE Bronze Group B Training Day	Friday 29 April
Yr 9	DTP and Meningitis Immunisation	Friday 6 May
Yrs 9 – 11	Ski Trip 2023 Consent Letter	Friday 29 April
Yr 11	Hoodie Purchase	Friday 29 April

Word of the Week for w/c 25 April
Next week the word is: **QUASH** – to put down or suppress completely.

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PTFA
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COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

1. Summer & Autumn Term Dates for Your Diary

- **PTFA Meeting**: Monday 6 June, 19.30 – 2100 in the Dining Hall at CCHSG
- **Summer Term Nearly New Uniform & Books Sale**: Saturday 9 July, 09.00 – 13.00 (subject to stock availability after sale held for new Year 7 September 2022 intake)
- **Annual Christmas Market**: Saturday 26 November, 12.00 – 15.00
  Save the date for this very popular annual event, open to the school and local community, hosted by CCHSG PTFA.

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

2. Annual Christmas Market 2022 – Invitation to stallholders

Bookings are now open for stalls at the annual PTFA Christmas Market, held on Saturday 26 November, 12.00 – 15.00. This popular event is open to the school community and general public.
Cost: Single stall £25, Double stalls £40.
For further details and a copy of the booking form please email cchsgptfa@gmail.com

3. 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. 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.)

4. Nearly New Uniform & Revision Book Donations

Please continue to support us with donations of uniform. Kilts that are no longer fit for use are also welcome as these can be recycled to make scrunchies. Buttons from blazers, cardigans and kilts are also recycled. We are also collecting revision books for 11+, SATs, GCSE and A Level.

Please ask students to deposit items in the wheelie bins outside the reception. Thank you in advance for responding to this appeal.

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

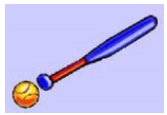
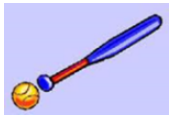
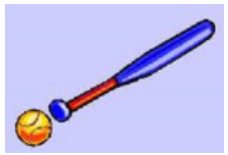
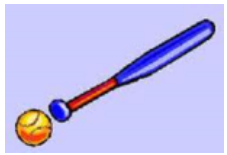
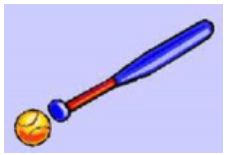
The PTFA is seeking to recruit motivated and friendly parents to join our well-established and exciting team. The successful candidates will be expected to support in developing positive links between parents and the PTFA, to develop the home/school partnership. You also need to enjoy nights out and social gatherings.
Pay: £0
Pension: £0
Benefits: Immeasurable
Hours: Negotiable
Anyone can apply – no prior experience required!
Two representatives are needed for each Form in Yrs 7-9. Please register your interest with us via email at cchsgptfa@gmail.com

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

PE Clubs and Practices (Spring Term 2022)

Monday 25 April – Friday 27 May 2022

Interform Rounders 23 – 27 May

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Lunch-time 12:30-13:05	**Year 7 & 8 Rounders** (NWI, OTH & LDY)  **Cricket All Years** (PCA) 	**Athletics All Years** Track (Long Distance) and Jumps (SBA, DWI & LDY)  **Badminton - Sports Hall** All Years (JWA) 	**Athletics All Years** Track (Sprints) and Throws (NWI & PCA)  AQA www.aqa.org.uk	**Year 9 & 10 Rounders** (SBA, DWI & LDY)  **Sports Leaders** (PCA) SPORTS LEADERS **Beginners Swimming** (NWI) 	**Friday Fun Day** All Years (All staff)  **PE Soc- H3** (M.A & K.S) 
After school 15:45-16:45	**SCHOOL MEETINGS**	**FIXTURES EVENING** 	**FIXTURES EVENING** 	**FIXTURES EVENING** 	

ART CLUB

Enjoy art or learning something creative? Join us in G26 every

MONDAY

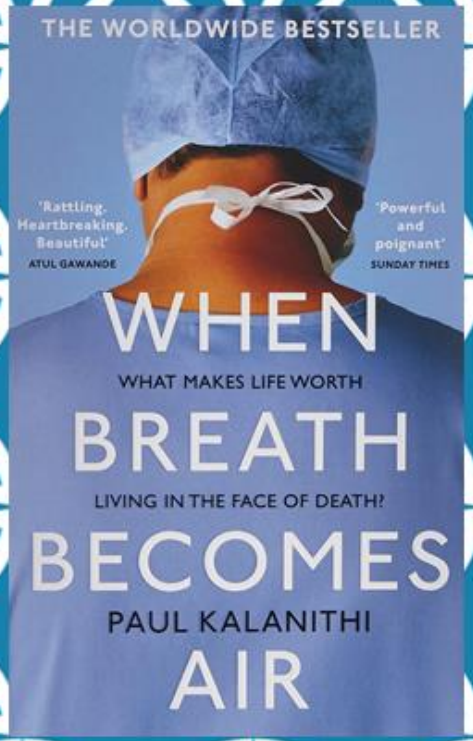
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ALL YEARS WELCOME

No artistic skills required!



MedSoc Book Club



When Breath Becomes Air: Paul Kalanithi

Written by a neurosurgeon diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer, he reflects his own mortality as he transitions from a junior doctor, to neurosurgeon, to new father, and then to a patient himself.

A discussion on the book will be **12 May** in **F13**

ALL YEARS WELCOME!!

PTFA

CHRISTMAS Market

FREE ENTRY

2022

SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER

12 NOON - 3 PM

Books - Christmas Crafts - Games - Gift Ideas
Games & Prizes - Produce Stalls - Curries & Snacks
Coffee & Cakes - Live Christmas Music
and much more!

Why not join us for lunch?

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- **Adult, Triathlon and Masters Swim Training**
- **Teen Swim Training (GCSE, DoE and Fitness)**
- **Junior and Senior Waterpolo**
- **Pre-club training in our Academy**









If you are interested in joining please come along for a trial

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