Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
6 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

Dates for Your Diary

Saturday	May	7	Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group B Training Day
Monday Week B	May	9	Assembly: Yr 12 via Teams Assembly: Yr 13 Leavers Assembly in the Hall Yr 7 Examinations Yr 9 Immunisations
Tuesday	May	10	Assembly: Yr 10 in the Hall Yr 7 Examinations
Wednesday	May	11	Assembly: Yr 8 in the Hall Yr 7 Examinations Yr 13 Last Day of Formal Lessons Fair Access Programme 16.00 – 17.00
Thursday	May	12	No Assembly Yr 7 Examinations Yr 13 Dress-Up Day, students depart by 13.00
Friday	May	13	Will Quince MP Visit 09.30 – 10.30 Yr 7 Examinations Yr 9 DofE Bronze Group A 15.45 – 17.30 Yr 13 Examination Preparation Leave Begins
Saturday	May	14	Youth Chinese Test (YCT) Examination

Yrs 9 – 13 Photograph Consent Form Reminder
A reminder to return the 2022 photograph consent form to Reception if this has not already done so. These were sent out electronically, but hard copies of the form are available at Reception if needed. Thank you.

Yr 9 Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis ACWY20 Consent Reminder
The vaccinations will take place on Monday 9 May.
Any questions should be directed to the immunisation service via 0300 790 0597.
Parents should not contact the school, as the vaccinations are organised by the immunisation service, we will be unable to help.

VotesforSchools
The topic this week was: **Is sport the right place for raising awareness?**

Use of Mobile Phones in Schools
Students are reminded that in Yrs 7 to 11 mobile phones should not be used or seen in school.
Sixth Form should only use their phones in the Sixth Form area and not out and about in school.

Chewing gum in School
We also remind students that chewing gum is not allowed in school. Thank you for your support.

Yr 11 & 13 Returning Textbooks
Students should return textbooks/reading books they are not using to the Library, not to teaching staff. The librarians can then remove the items separately. Students will not receive their Leavers Ball (Yr 13) or Celebratoin Evening (Yr 11) ticket unless their library card is clear.

CCHSG 'Chemistry Across the Continents' Competition
Congratulations to a student in 12E and 12S for their winning entries in the competition. These have now been submitted to the wider competition run by QMUL, we wish them every success in the next stage of the competition!

ABRSM and Trinity Individual Music Examination Success
We congratulate students in the school on their recent successful results in their ABRSM and Trinity examinations outside of school – well done to all of them!

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 there will be no sessions due to the Year 7 examinations.

The Catherine Bullen Foundation Appeal for Cakes!
Catherine Bullen was a student at CCHSG who went on to study medicine, but unfortunately while on her elective in Namibia she died. The Catherine Bullen Foundation was set up by her parents, Roger and Linda Bullen and it supports education and health projects in rural Namibia. As a school we frequently fundraise for the charity, run from West Mersea. Details of their work: https://www.namibia-aid.org.uk/
The foundation has a homemade cake stall at the West Mersea Jubilee street fair on 3 June and are appealing for donations of cakes - any contributions would be welcome!
Due to this being at the end of half term and cake freshness, CCHSG will not be collecting cakes, but if you could bake and then contact the Bullens to arrange collection or drop-off please it would be very much appreciated. Alternatively go along to Mersea and buy some of their cakes on 3 June. Their fundraising has been severely hit due to the pandemic and this normally raises close to £1000. If you are to help/bake please email the Bullens: rogerbullen409@btinternet.com

IT Apprentice Position
We are currently advertising for an IT Apprentice. If you know anyone who might be interested, please direct them to the CCHSG website or forward the link: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000039324

e-Safety Information – Online Safety for 11-18s (CEOP)
CEOP has created a new website for teenagers called 'The internet, relationships & you' and offers advice on socialising online, online safety, getting support and sexual content online. CEOP is a part of the National Crime Agency.
The website can be found here: https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_18

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.

Wellbeing Ambassadors – Mindful Morning Checklist:
- Start your day with 5 deep breaths
- Take a moment to reflect on three positives from yesterday
- Drink a glass of water
- Set a positive intention for the day
- Be present with your loved ones

Curricular and Enrichment Activities

Extracurricular Clubs and Activities – Sumer Term 2022
Please find the timetable below, with some further additions.

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
11.05.2022	08.145 – 15.35	Lee Valley Outdoor Athletics	Various	Lee Valley	Yrs 8 & 9
11.05.2022	15.00 – 17.20	Football	St Helena	Away	U14
12.05.2022	10.00 – 16.00	Colchester Athletics	Various		Yrs 7-11

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

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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.

Yr 13 A Level Biology Revision – Wednesday 11 May 12.15 – 13.15 in F13
This will be the last session, next week we will be looking at past paper questions, all welcome.

Yr 11 GCSE Biology Revision – Thursdays 12.45 – 13.15 in F13
This will be the last session before the examination on Tuesday 17 May. Students are welcome to being their lunch. We will be looking at requested topics and 6-mark questions, all welcome.

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 10-12 History Competition
The Historical Association with The Falkland Islands Government, working in partnership with historians and geographers from the University of Exeter, Newcastle University and Royal Holloway, University of London – want to know what the Falklands mean to young people in the UK today. The competition is all about storytelling and 'place', the eight winners from across the UK will have the opportunity for an all-expenses-paid visit to the Falkland Islands in February 2023.
For more information and how to enter go to:
https://www.history.org.uk/ha-news/categories/455/news/4051/falklands-forty-schools-competition

Art Club – Monday Lunchtimes in G26/G27
Students in Yr 12 are running an Art club every Monday, all years are welcome.

PsychSoc – Tuesday 10 May, Lunchtime in H4
Students are welcome to along to PsychSoc to find out about how we feel feelings. All years are welcome.

Physics Club – Friday 13 May, Lunchtime in G2
Next week we will be building rockets! Those wanting to take part need to bring a 2L bottle with them.

FemSoc – Mondays Week B, Lunchtime in G24
For the first session on Monday 9 May, FemSoc will be holding a quiz and there will also be an introduction to the new Feminist Society leaders. It will be an opportunity for students to suggest ideas on what they would like to discuss in future FemSoc sessions. They also will be arranging collaborations with other societies including Afro-Caribbean Society, South-East Asian Society and GSA.

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 Ms Tarrier's office.

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

Sixth Form Lunch Order

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Menu for w/c 9 May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie with Sweetcorn	Lamb Fried Rice	Beefburger, Chips & Beans	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Seafood Tagliatelle with Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Chilli with Rice (Vegan)	Cheesy Stack Wrap with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Chickpea Burger with Salad (Vegan)	Ratatouille (Vegan) with Cheesy Bread
Main Meal £3				
Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard	Pancakes	White Chocolate Mouse	Pana Cotta	Apple & Blueberry Danish with Cream
Pudding £1.20				
Panini £3				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				
French Onion (Vegan)	Carrot & Coriander (Vegan)	Tomato & Lentil (Vegan)	Vegetable (Vegan)	Tomato & Basil

Correspondence Sent out this Week
Yrs 7-9: Youth Chinese Test (selected students)
Yr 10: Purchase of Science Revision Guides
Yr 11: Letter from PTFA

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yrs 7-9	Youth Chinese Test (selected students)	Friday 13 May
Yr 9	DTP and Meningitis Immunisation	Friday 6 May
Yr 10	Purchase of Science Revision Guides	Monday 6 June

Word of the Week for w/c 9 May
Next week the word is: **INCANDESCENT** – intensely bright.

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COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

1. Summer & Autumn Term Dates for Your Diary

- **PTFA Meeting**: Monday 13 June, 19.30 – 21.00 in the Dining Hall at CCHSG
- **Summer Term Nearly New Uniform & Books Sale**: Thursday 7July *(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 by CCHSG Parent – over £1,200 raised so far!
We are delighted to announce that Mr Gowrishankar Jegadeeswaran, parent of a Year 8 student from CCHSG, is currently undertaking the huge challenge of trekking to Everest Base Camp in the Himalayas in Nepal, hoping to return by 15 May, to raise funds for CCHSG PTFA. This is a fully self-funded trek and all the money raised will go towards our charity. Every donation will help us to continue supporting the school by providing additional resources for our students.

If you would like to donate, you can do so via the following link: https://gofund.me/f371cff1

If you are a UK taxpayer, please remember to gift-aid your donation. We are very grateful for any support for Mr Gowrishankar's efforts and thank you in advance for your contribution.

We wish Mr Gowrishankar all the very best in his Everest Base Camp Trek.

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+, SATs, GCSE & A Level. Please ask students to deposit items in the wheelie bins outside Reception. Thank you in advance for responding to this appeal.

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. You also need to enjoy 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 Years 7-9. Please register your interest with us via emailing cchsgptfa@gmail.com

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	**Problem Solving** SBR Yr 12 in M9
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	**VetSoc** All Yrs in F13
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 Olympiad** (Wk A) IMI Yrs 9&10 in G1
The Bluebirds FJE Yrs 7&8 in M2	**Senior Choir** FJE Yrs 9-13 in M2	**Kazoo Club** FJE All Yrs in M12		**Physics Club** (Wk B) TAD All Yrs in G2
Boomwhacker Club FJE, Yrs 9-13 in M12	**PsychSoc** KPH, All Yrs in H4			**A Level Mathematics Support** DGO Yr 13 in M10
Art Club TAL, All Yrs in G26/G27				**French Bilingual Club** LBoutellier Yrs 7&8 in T14
FemSoc (Wk B) VWI All Yrs in G24				**Oxbridge** IPZ Yr 12 in T20
				Strictly Strings KWaterworth All Yrs in M2
				Flutissimo FJE All Yrs in M19
After School				
		Dungeons & Dragons Club JST & KLA All Yrs in the Library		
		English for Obsessives EDA All Yrs via MS Teams		