



# Colchester County High School for Girls

## Parent Weekly Bulletin

### 13 October 2017



#### Term Dates 2017 – 2018

##### Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 September  
Wednesday 20 December

##### Half Term

Monday 23 October  
Friday 27 October

##### Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4 January  
Thursday 29 March

##### Half Term

Monday 12 February  
Friday 16 February

##### Summer Term 2018

Monday 16 April  
Thursday 19 July

##### Bank Holiday

Monday 7 May

##### Half Term

Monday 28 May  
Friday 1 June

##### Non-Pupil Days

Monday 4 September 2017  
Friday 20 October 2017  
Tuesday 2 January 2018  
Wednesday 3 January 2018  
Friday 20 July 2018

#### Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week A	Oct	16	Yr 11 Progress Check 1 to Parents Yr 13 SLT Mock Interviews Period 3 PTA Committee Meeting 19.30 – 21.00
Tuesday	Oct	17	Y11+ Results Enquiry Evening 16.00 – 18.00
Wednesday	Oct	18	DofE Bronze Group B 15.45 – 17.30
Thursday	Oct	19	Foodbank Collection by Head Girl Team Yr 11 Parent Consultation Evening 16.15 – 19.15
Friday	Oct	20	<b>Non Pupil Day</b>

#### Non Pupil Day – Friday 20 October

Next Friday is a Non Pupil Day; therefore the school is closed for students. Our staff and governors will be engaged in the School & Departmental Improvement Planning Day.

#### Student Behaviour

This week we have had to remind some students about behaving appropriately on public transport and we are asking parents to support us in reiterating this to all our students.

#### Early Closure School Closure – Monday 30 October

Reply slips for the Early School Closure were due back by Friday 13 October. If we have not received your permission for your daughter to leave early on this day students will be expected to remain in school and be supervised until 15.35.

#### Piano Masterclass

A Piano Masterclass is taking place on Thursday 19 October from 11.00 – 12.30 by concert pianist Richard Meyrick in M2. Could students be aware of noise levels when moving around M Block between Periods 2 and 3.

#### Food Bank Collection – Thursday 19 October

Collection will be during Morning Registration in the Dining Hall by the Head Girl Team.

Currently the Food Bank urgently need: tinned potatoes, tinned puddings, tins or packets of custard, jam, peanut butter, deodorants and shaving gel.

Please bear in mind they have plenty of beans, pasta, soup and tinned fruit.

#### CCHSG Student Podcast

An opportunity for students to take part in producing and presenting the school's radio show. All year groups are welcome.

Good experience for those interested in journalism, media or general talking!

An initial meeting will take place at lunch in T4 on Thursday 19 October at 12.45.

#### Yr 11 Parent Consultation Evening 16.15 – 19.15

Refreshments will be served from 16.00.

Copies of the parent guide 'GCSEs – What a parent can do?; 101 tips to ensure success' will be available to purchase for £3.00.

#### Bio Bake Off 2017

Thank you to everyone who baked or bought cakes at the Bio Bake Off 2017 on Thursday. We have raised a magnificent **£162.46** for Safer Places, a local charity supporting domestic abuse victims, the charity chosen by 9E.

The winning cakes were:

Yr 7 – S Whiten 7O (dissected rat cake)

Yr 8 – M Ekins-Malcolm 8H (DNA cake)

Yr 9 – D Hume 9E (lung cake)

Yr 10/11 – P Hubbard 11H (blood cake)

Yr 12/13 – K Mainwood 12O and E Skinner 12C (lung cake)

Prizes and certificates will be awarded soon, many thanks from Dr Edgington and Dr Martin.

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Music Dept: CCHSG\_Music



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### Yr 7 Essential Information Booklet

Parents in Yr 7 were issued with a Yr 7 Essential Information Booklet at the Bushcraft Information Evening last night. For those unable to attend copies of the booklet will be issued to students via their register folder next week

### Yr 8 Essential Information Booklet

Yr 8 Essential Information Booklet has been issued to students of parents who were unable to attend the Yr 8 Information Evening held on Tuesday 10 October, to take home for your information.

### Yr 9 First World War Battlefields of Ypres – Friday 3 November 2017

The remaining few students need to bring in their EHC information to the Main Office as soon as possible.

### PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
17.10.2017	15.35 – 17.00/ 17.30 approx	Netball	St Helena & The Gilberd	CCHSG	Yr 8 & 9
18.10.2017	14.30 – 18.30	GCSE PE Climbing	N/A	Mersea Outdoors	Yr 11 GCSE PE
19.10.2017	15.15 – 17.00	Central Venue Netball	Various	The Gilberd	Yr 7
19.10.2017	14.30 – 17.00	GCSE PE Climbing	N/A	University of Essex	Yr 11 GCSE PE

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

### Letters Sent this Week

Yr 7: Tutor Parent Consultation Evening  
Yr 7: Healthy Living Enrichment Day  
Yr 7: Bushcraft Information Trip  
Yr 8: First World War Battlefields of Ypres  
Yr 9: First World War Battlefields of Ypres Final Arrangements  
Yr 9: AQA Level 2 Higher Project (selected students)  
Yr 12: Psychology Textbook and Magazine Subscription  
Yr 12: Biology Field Course (Biology Students only)  
Yr 12: English Speaking Union Public Speaking Competition (selected students)  
Yr 13: Psychology Textbook and Magazine Subscription  
Yr 13: Off-site Letter  
Yr 13: Key Dates

### Enrichment Activities

Attached to this Bulletin are flyers regarding possible enrichment activities during half term. These are organised by external organisations; CCHSG is happy to share these opportunities with our parents and students but have no responsibility for them.

### Next Week's Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chilli-con-Carne with Rice	Paella	Burger, Chips & Beans	Sweet & Sour Chicken Noodles	Fish Pie with Green Beans
Or				
Cheese & Tomato Tart with Salad	Vegetable Lasagne with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Cheesy Bean Burger Salad	Fish Pie with Green Beans
Main Meal £2.60				
Syrup Sponge & Custard	Apple Crumble with Custard	Pavlova	Rice Pudding & Jam	White Chocolate Mousse
Pudding £1.10				

### Word of the Week

Next week the word is: **REPUDIATE** – reject as having no authority or binding force.



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### Diary dates for this term:

#### PTFA Meetings

Monday 16 October 2017, 19.30 - 21.00 (Agenda: Bingo & Curry Night and Christmas Market)  
Monday 27 November 2017, 19.30 - 21.00 (please note change of date to previously published)

#### Social and Fundraising Events

##### Curry & Bingo Night – 10 November 2017

More than half of the tickets for this event have now been sold. This is an event for all in the family. For ticket purchase contact Agness O'Brien - see the flier attached to the Bulletin on 29 September. Please note that food served at this event will be from a HALAL certified local restaurant. A licensed bar will be available. Non-vegetarian meat dishes will also be available to purchase and children can opt for pasta instead of curry.

##### Annual Christmas Market – 2 December 2017

Bookings are now open at £25 per table/£40 for 2.

Don't forget to place your orders now for Christmas puddings and jams made exclusively for CCHSG with the school's name on the labels. These yummy treats will be the perfect addition to your Christmas meals and will make fabulous gifts for friends and family. See the separate email sent to all parents last week for details of products and order forms. Orders must be sent to CCHSG Reception by **Friday 3 November 2017**.

##### Second Hand Uniform Sales (£2729.00 raised since September 2016)

Dates for sales this term:

##### Year 7 Parent/Tutor Consultation Evening (Wednesday 15 November 2017 16.15-19.30)

Uniform Sale from 16.00 - 19.15

**Note:** CCHSG Second Hand uniform shop would like to request buttons from CCHSG uniform that is no longer fit to be worn that can be used to replace lost buttons on donated items. These can be from fitted jackets, cardigans or blouses. Please send them in to CCHSG Reception in envelope marked for 'CCHSG PTFA Second Hand Uniform'.

##### Virgin Money London Marathon – 22 April 2018

The Virgin Money London Marathon is the most popular marathon on the planet with a world record number of people applying in the ballot for 2018. Applicants who registered for the Individual ballot places will all be notified between 2-9 October if they were successful in securing a place. If you have been successful in the ballot, would you consider joining parent Chris Gardiner who will be running and fundraising for CCHSG PTFA? Our school and parent community will support you to maximise fundraising via Virgin Money Giving. Contact [cchsgptfa@gmail.com](mailto:cchsgptfa@gmail.com)

##### Estate Agent's Advertising Boards (86 addresses to date)

Final chance to register ahead of our advertising for the Christmas Market especially if you live around Lexden Road and surrounding areas. Contact Agness O'Brien with your full address, preferred email and contact telephone details.

##### Easyfundraising (£1,900.00 already raised by 141 supporters since April 2016)

**In It To Win It:** Sign up to support CCHSG PTFA now and if you raise a **minimum of £5.00 in free donations** between now and Sunday 14 January, 2018 you will be entered in the draw for **CCHSG PTFA's Luxury New Year's Hamper**.

Take advantage of the season's retail deals and raise donations at the same time.

Draw date will be **Tuesday 16 January 2018**.

Sign up now at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colchestercountygirlspta>

#### PTA CONTACTS:

##### Chair

Barry Coleman email: [barry.coleman58@gmail.com](mailto:barry.coleman58@gmail.com)

##### 2nd Hand Uniform/Easyfundraising/Estate Agent's Advertising Boards

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##### Parent Class Reps

Catherine Greene email: [catherinegrme@gmail.com](mailto:catherinegrme@gmail.com)