



Colchester County High School for Girls Parent Weekly Bulletin 26 January 2018



Term Dates 2017 – 2018

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

Tuesday 2 January 2018
Wednesday 3 January 2018
Friday 20 July 2018

Term Dates 2018 – 2019

(Provisional)

Autumn Term

Thursday 6 September
Tuesday 18 December

Half Term

Monday 22 October
Friday 26 October

Spring Term

Thursday 3 January
Friday 5 April

Half Term

Monday 18 February
Friday 22 February

Summer Term

Tuesday 23 April
Tuesday 23 July

Bank Holiday

Monday 6 May

Half Term

Monday 29 May
Monday 3 June

Non-Pupil Days

Staff INSET Days to be confirmed

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Dates for Your Diary

Sunday	Jan	28	Oliver Technical Rehearsal 09.00 – 16.00
Monday Week A	Jan	29	Oliver Full Cast Rehearsal, 13.00 – 15.35 Yr 12 Progress Check 2 to Parents Yr 13 Internal Assessments
Tuesday	Jan	30	Oliver Dress Rehearsal 12.35 – 17.00 Yr 10 Rotary Youth Public Speaking Competition 17.45 – 21.00
Wednesday	Jan	31	Yr 13 Art Internal Assessments French Exchange Parent Information Evening 18.30
Thursday	Feb	1	Yr 10 Intermediate Mathematics Challenge Period 2 Yr 13 Art Internal Assessments Oliver Performance – Curtain up at 19.00
Friday	Feb	2	Yrs 7 – 11 Non Uniform Day Sixth Form Charity Day Yr 9 Preferences Deadline Yr 13 Art Internal Assessments DofE Bronze Group A 15.45 – 17.30 Oliver Performance – Curtain up at 19.00

Student Safety Notice

We have been made aware of students being approached when they walk through the centre of Colchester by members of the community who are homeless demanding money. Students are advised to firmly say no and if they feel intimidated to seek help by going into a local shop or calling the police.

Yr 9 Vaccinations

Yr 9 will due to have their next round of vaccinations (Meningitis ACWY and booster dose of Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio). Half the year group will have the vaccination on Wednesday 7 March with the remaining half having the vaccination on Monday 12 March.

Students have been issued with their vaccination consent form, these need to be returned to the Office by Friday 23 February.

“Oliver!” Performance Thursday 1 and Friday 2 February

There are a limited number of tickets available for the Thursday evening performance – Friday evening has sold out.

The licensed Bar serving refreshments will be open from 18.00.

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 2 February

11L are organising the Non-Uniform Day to support two charities: UNICEF, which provides support for children of domestic violence and Colchester Gateway Clubs, which provides social clubs and activities for adults with learning disabilities. The theme for the day is ‘Blue and Purple’. Students are encouraged to participate by wearing clothes appropriate to this theme and to pay a voluntary contribution of £1. However, as with all non-uniform days, **students should dress appropriately for a working school day and wear suitable footwear.**

Sixth Form Charity Day – Friday 2 February

The Head Girl Team are organising the day to support the Catherine Bullen Foundation. Students are asked to pay a voluntary contribution of £1 to wear more casual clothes for the day. **Students should dress appropriately for a working school day and wear suitable footwear.**

Yr 12 UNIQ Courses

The deadline for students to apply for any UNIQ courses is 31 January 2018. Oxbridge Club will meet again on Friday 2 February in G6 at 13.00 and the sign-up sheet for presentation slots is up on the Sixth Form noticeboard.



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MedSoc Careers Talk – Thursday 1 February 12.50 prompt in G18

Anglia Ruskin University are opening a new Medical School, their first intake will be in September 2018. We are very lucky to have Dr Jane Day, the Deputy Head of School, coming to speak to us about the new medical school and applications. For Yr 13 students, applications will be in addition to their UCAS application and occur later this year. A great opportunity to apply to one extra medical school! For all other students applications will be in the usual way through UCAS. Dr Day will be able to tell us more about their plans for improving the chances of local students of gaining an interview. All students welcome, particularly applicable to those in Yrs 10 – 13.

Yr 9 Battlefields of Ypres – Friday 2 March

We are still waiting for updated EHIC and Passport information for the re-scheduled Battlefields of Ypres visit on Friday 2 March from a small number of students. In order to travel students need a Passport and EHIC card valid for the date of travel.

Yr 8 Battlefields of Ypres – Friday 18 May

A reminder that the balance of £108 is due by 9 February. There are still a number of students that need to bring in EHIC and Passport information. Please bring these to the Office as soon as possible.

Revision Sessions

Subject	Year	Day	Time	Location	Topics
RE	Yr 10	Tuesday	16.00 – 17.00	G5	Christianity
Biology	Yr 11	Wednesday	15.45 – 17.00	G0	Thermoregulation, blood glucose control and the thyroid.
Physics	Yr 11	Tuesday	15.45 – 16.45	G1	Space, the universe and energy

“Oliver!” Rehearsals

The rehearsal schedule for the next week:

Date:	Time:	To include:
Sunday 28 January	09.30 – 15.30	Technical Rehearsal – Full Cast
Monday 29 January	13.00 – 15.35	Full Cast
Tuesday 30 January	12.35 – 17.00	Dress Rehearsal – Full Cast
Wednesday 31 January	12.45 – 13.20	TBC
Thursday 1 February	12.45 – 13.20	TBC

Students should check the notice board in Drama for any changes or updates.

Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
Wednesday 31 January		Netball	Colchester Sixth Form College	TBA	U19

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

Enrichment Opportunity

GIFT Easter School

GIFT are running an Easter school from 1 April – 6 April where participants can be involved in numerous activities such as art, poetry and ethical dilemmas. All Year Groups are welcome. Please visit their website for more information:

www.giftcourses.co.uk/events/gift-easter-school/

There may be funding available for students in receipt of FSM or for whom the school receives Pupil Premium. Please contact Mrs Pigott.

Community Information

Kingsland Church Family Fun Day and 2018 Open Community Week

Please find attached information and programme of free family events at Kingsland Church.



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Letters Sent this Week

All Yrs: E-Safety Information Evening
 Yrs 7 – 11: Non Uniform Day
 Yr 10: 'The Turn of the Screw' Mercury Theatre Visit (Drama students only)
 Yr 12: Babraham Institute Project Day (selected students)
 Yrs 12 & 13: Sixth Form Charity Day

Next Week's Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lasagne with Salad	Roasted Pork Steak with Roast Potatoes & Cabbage	Burger, Chips & Beans	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Fish Pie with Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Chilli with Rice	Sweet Potato Dahl with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Spinach & Tomato Frittata with Salad	Quiche with Salad
Main Meal £2.60				
Syrup Sponge Pudding with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Raspberry Pana Cotta	Lemon Meringue Pie	Chocolate Mousse
Pudding £1.10				
Panini of the Week: Tomato, Feta & Oregano £2.60				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Word of the Week

Next week the word is: **VEX** – to irritate.



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1. Diary dates for Spring/Summer Term 2018

- PTFA Meetings:
Monday 26 March PTFA Annual General Meeting followed by PTFA Meeting.

All PTFA Meetings are held in the school Dining Hall Extension, 19.30 – 21.00, everyone welcome.

- Social Events:
Saturday 23 June Barn Dance - Stock Street Farm Barn, Coggeshall

If you are in a position to obtain any of the English Premier League's teams' signed jersey and/or England's World Cup 2018 team jersey, PTFA would be very grateful for the item(s) that we can auction off at this event.

2. Upcoming Second Hand Uniform Sales

- Thursday 8 March – at Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening (3 groups), 16.15 – 19.15
- Thursday 15 March – at Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening (2 groups), 16.15 – 19.15
- Thursday 3 May – at Year 8 Parent Consultation Evening, 16.15 – 20.00

Please continue to send in donations of your daughter's outgrown uniform. We also accept buttons from uniform items that are no longer fit for use. There is also a high demand for Brownie uniform.

3. Virgin Money London Marathon

Parent Chris Gardiner is running the Virgin Money London Marathon in support of CCHSG on Sunday 22 April 2018. Why not show your support and make a donation at <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ChrisGardiner7>

4. Easyfundraising

Have you booked your family holidays for 2018? Book ahead now and save up to 30% in many exciting destinations across Europe, Middle East and Africa via Easyfundraising's affiliated travel brands. The earlier you book, the more you save!

If you have not registered yet, sign up now and collect up to 3% donations from your purchases for Colchester County High School for Girls PTFA at: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colchestercountygirlspfa>
Don't forget to claim Gift Aid where applicable.

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