



Colchester County High School for Girls

Parent Weekly Bulletin

12 October 2018



Term Dates 2018 – 2019

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 27 May
Monday 3 June

Non-Pupil Days

4 September 2018
5 September 2018
29 October 2018
19 December 2018
24 July 2019

Dates for Your Diary

Monday Week A	Oct	15	Yr 9 & 10 City to Sea, Period 3 Yr 11 Progress Check 1 to Parents Yr 13 SLT Mock Interviews, Period 3
Tuesday	Oct	16	School Nurse Drop-in Sessions, Lunchtime in F11 Yr 8 Faraday Challenge STEM Day
Wednesday	Oct	17	Food Bank Collection Yr 11 Parent Consultation Evening
Thursday	Oct	18	Yr 12 Chemistry at Work Visit Yr 13 CERN Visit 11+ Results Enquiry Evening 16.30 – 19.00
Friday	Oct	19	Yr 7 & 8 Author Visit Periods 4 & 5 Yr 13 CERN Visit DofE Bronze Group B 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	Oct	20	Yr 13 CERN Visit
Sunday	Oct	21	Yr 13 CERN Visit

A reminder that school is closed on Monday 29 October for staff training.

Attendance and Punctuality Information

Please see attached attendance and punctuality expectations and advice for your information.

School Early Closure – Thursday 1 November

Reply slips for the Early School Closure were due back by today.

If we have not received parents' permission for their daughter to leave early on 1 November students will be expected to remain in school and be supervised until 15.35.

School Photographs by Carmel Jane Photography Ltd

The deadline for orders that qualify for free postage to the school for individual photos is Sunday 14 October. Any orders made after this date will be sent to a home address with a postage charge.

Food Bank Collection – Wednesday 17 October

Collection will be during Morning Registration in the Dining Hall by the Head Student Team. Currently the Food Bank urgently need: long-life milk and juice, shampoo, shower gel and deodorant, tinned potatoes, tinned puddings, tins or packets of custard, jam, and peanut butter.

Please bear in mind they have plenty of beans, pasta, soup and tinned fruit and cannot accept any out of date goods. The collection will be this day only.

Centenary of the First World War

As part of the school's commemoration of the centenary of the First World War, we are intending to create a display to remember family members who fought in the Great War or subsequent conflicts. We are therefore inviting all students who have a relative we can remember as a school community, to email a short summary about their loved one along with a copy of a photograph if you have one, to Mrs Sanderson by Friday 19 October.

UCAS Application Deadline

All applications for courses with early deadlines have been dispatched to UCAS, we are now processing all other applications. Any outstanding UCAS should be sent to Mrs Keane as soon as possible.

Yr 11 Parent Consultation Evening – Wednesday 17 October 16.15 – 19.00

Parents have been invited to the Yr 11 Parent Consultation Evening, students should be making appointments with subject teachers.

Mrs Warren, our impartial Careers Adviser, will be present throughout the evening, no appointments are necessary.

Refreshments will be available throughout the evening at a small charge.

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Bio Bake Off 2018 – Friday 19 October

Students should remember to bring the ingredients list with their bake otherwise we will not be able to sell them. They should bring their bake to the Hall between 08.30 – 08.45 or at the start of break on Friday 19 October.

Futurewise Career Insight Events for Students

Please see attached flyer detailing upcoming career insight events which might be of interest to students to help them make informed decisions about their career options after school. Discount flyers containing unique discount codes are being sent to the school and will be available for distribution to students shortly.

GCSE Psychology Textbook

A reminder that the deadline for orders is Wednesday 17 October.

Jack Petchey Award Scheme

You have the opportunity to nominate students from Yrs 7 - 13 for a Jack Petchey Achievement Award. The award recognises and rewards students that are not necessarily the best at sport or work but have contributed to the school or local community in a significant way, they can also be recognised for personal developments and positive personality traits. The achievement award winner will receive £250 to be spent on a school project of their choice.

If you would like to nominate a student or member of staff please complete the forms at the following links, including your reasons for the nomination. Winners will be selected from the list of nominees by the Student Voice Team.

Achievement award:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=la3pq0GH7kuhsVbSrAP_KgteLtvWwHNIj44iXit3diNUMjFEQVIBW_EhNM1FIMlpBTVg3WExDUUYwOC4u

Leader award:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=la3pq0GH7kuhsVbSrAP_KgteLtvWwHNIj44iXit3diNUN0ITT1BRNT_dLMEVRU114VUpMTUNYTIBKSS4u

Nominations can be made at any time from October to April.

Extra-Curricular Information

Yr 7 & 8 Science Support Session

A new club starting after Half Term: Yr 7 and 8 Science Support in G1 on Mondays 12.35 – 13.05. The session will be with Dr Edgington and Miss Walachowski. If students would like any help with homework or concepts from their lessons please drop by.

Drama Club

Monday 15 October – 12.45 – 13.15 – Auditions for the parts of Schprintze and Bielke – students on the list only in M3.

Please see Mr Ulph for a lunch pass.

Thursday 18 October 15.45 – 16.30 – M2 adult ensemble (Yrs 9-13) and all male leads – dream sequence, including Grandmother Tzeitel and Fruma Sarah and To Life (including the Russians) in M2.

Thursday 18 15.45 - 17.30 – Cast of Winter's Tale in M3.

Sports Leaders

The deadline for applications was today.

Gym and Dance Auditions

Auditions will begin week commencing 15 October. The schedule is on display on the PE noticeboard, students should check when they have been allocated. Audition pieces should consist of about 30 seconds of dance or gymnastics.

PE Fixtures

Date	Time	Event	Against	Location	Year(s)
16.10.2018	15.45 – 17.00	Netball	St Benedict's	Home	Yr 8 & 9
16.10.2018	15.35 – 17.30	Netball	The Gilberd	Away	U16 B
17.10.2018	13.00 – 19.30	Indoor Athletics Final	Lee Valley	Away	Yr 11
18.10.2018	15.45 – 17.00	Netball Essex Cup	Passmores	Home	15.45 – 17.00

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

A Level Psychology Catch-up for Yr 12 Students

A reminder there is catch-up sessions for those students who did not take GCSE Psychology in G8 Wednesdays 12.40 – 13.30, running for six weeks.



Community Information - We draw your attention to the following:

Colchester United FC – Football in the Community Development Centre

Are running sessions for U12 & U13, U14, U15 & U16 at Shrub End Community and Sports Centre, Boadicea Way, Colchester, CO2 9BG on Monday's 17.00 – 18.00. Contact rebecca.edwards@colchesterunited.net or 01206 755143 for more details.

East Anglian Railway Museum - Escape Room

Have opened a new intellectually challenging and fun escape room. This immersive experience, could be used as a fun, team-building exercise. For more details go to www.earm.co.uk.

Letters Sent out this Week

- Yrs 7 – 11: Non-Uniform Day
- Yr 7: MFL Textbook Purchase
- Yr 9: French or German Textbook Purchase
- Yr 10: French or German Textbook Purchase
- Yrs 10 – 12: UKCAT and BMAT Preparation
- Yrs 10 – 13: Houses of Parliament Trip (selected students)
- Yr 11: Parent Consultation Evening
- Yrs 12 & 13: Charity Day
- Yrs 12 & 13: Economics Conference
- Yr 12: Awards Evening
- Yr 12: Public Speaking Competition (selected students)
- Yr 12: Psychology Textbook Purchase
- Yr 13: Psychology Textbook Purchase

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 15 October

Priority for Yr 12 and 13, and lunchtime activity participants until 12.45.

Week A:

- 12.45 Yr 11 Lunchtime club participants must have a coloured ticket
- 12.55 Yr 9 & 10 To gain entrance to early lunch.
- 13.00 Yr 7 & 8

Menu for w/c 15 October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie with Carrots	Spicy Lamb Mince Curry with Basmati Rice	Pizza, Curly Fries & Salad	Sticky Chinese Chicken with Rice	Fish Pie with Green Beans
Or				
Cheese & Tomato Pasta Salad	Tiropitakia with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Cheese & Tomato Tart with Salad	Quiche with Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Jam Sponge with Custard	Devon Apple Cake	Chocolate Mousse	Cheesecake	Bakewell Tart with Custard
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Pulled Pork with BBQ Sauce £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Weekly Brainteaser for w/c 15 October

I am first rate. Remove two letters and I am the raised edge of an object. Change one letter and I am lacking brightness. Add one letter and I am a US coin. Finally change one letter and I am a pantomime role. What was I and what did I become?

Last Week's Brainteaser Answer: 54. Alternate between multiplying by 1.5 and multiplying by 2.

Word of the Week for w/c 15 October

Next week the word is: **ABRIDGE** – to reduce something in scope or extent.



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1. Diary Dates for Autumn Term

PTFA Committee Meetings

Monday 15 October 2018 - To plan for Quiz & Curry Night and Annual Christmas Market.

Note: All PTFA Committee Meetings are open to parents, carers and staff. Meetings are held in the school's Dining Hall from 19.30 – 21.00 unless otherwise specified. Please contact Agness O'Brien via the contact details below if you are planning to attend.

PTFA Events

Friday 16 November 2018 - Quiz & Curry Night
Saturday 1 December 2018 - Annual Christmas Market

2. Upcoming Second Hand Uniform Sales

1. Tuesday 13 November 2018 - Year 9 Information Evening (18.30 – 19.00 for uniform sale)
2. Saturday 1 December 2018 - Annual Christmas Market (12.00 – 15.00)

The PTFA is always grateful for donations of outgrown uniform via the School Reception. Uniform sales can only take place during the times specified above.

3. CCHSG PTFA's Quiz & Curry Night (Friday 16 November 2018)

Tickets for this event are selling fast! Tickets: Adult £10, Child £5 and Family (2 adults + 2 children) £25

Note: If you have a team of 6-8 and want a table reserved in your name, please email us at cchsgptfa@gmail.com We can team up smaller groups or couples on the night.

Ticket Box Office: <http://buytickets.at/cchsgptfaquizandcurry2018/197894>

4. Annual Christmas Market – Invitation to Stall Holders

Bookings are open for stalls at this very popular annual event, open to the school community and general public, to be held on 1 December 2018, 12.00 – 15.00. Single stalls £25, double £40. Email the PTFA Committee at cchsgptfa@gmail.com for further details.

Volunteers needed for the Christmas Market – could you:

1. Donate bottles for our Bottle Tombola - can be anything, from wine, sauces to bath gels. If it comes in a bottle, it is good for the tombola. Contact Mrs Kirsty Harvey on 07443 535243 for drop off at 147 Maldon Road, Colchester, CO3 3BJ.
2. Organise a Sweets Tombola (for children) filled with nut-free sweets. Jars preferably with lids decorated with colourful/seasonal fabric or paper, tied with ribbon or elastic bands.
3. Staff a PTFA games stall or help in the Cafe

PTFA CONTACTS:

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For all enquires related to the PTFA, email cchsgptfa@gmail.com