



# Colchester County High School for Girls

## Parent Weekly Bulletin

### 2 November 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	Nov	5	Houses of Parliament Visit (Yrs 10-13) 08.00 – 16.00 Yr 9 Road Safety Talk Period 3 Yr 10 E-Safety Talk Period 3 Yr 11 SLT Discussions Period 2
Tuesday	Nov	6	Senior Mathematics Challenge, Hall, Periods 2&3 ABRSM Music Theory Examinations 16.30 – 20.30
Wednesday	Nov	7	Yr 8 Schools' Shakespeare Festival, leaving at 12.30 DofE Silver & Gold 15.45 – 18.30
Thursday	Nov	8	Yr 11 Sixth Form Taster Day Yr 12 Forward Thinking Day Yr 13 Parent Consultation Evening CTTC Open Evening 16.00 – 19.00
Friday	Nov	9	DofE Bronze Group B 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	Nov	10	Yr 11 GCSE Drama Devised Performance Technical Rehearsal

#### CTTC Open Evening – Thursday 8 November 16.00 – 19.00

Are you or do you know anyone interested in becoming a teacher? Please see attached poster for more details, please share with anyone you think would be interested.

#### Parental Voice – Monday 26 November

Dear Parent

I would like to inform you that we have a Parental Voice meeting on Monday 26 November 2018.

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Bistro area from 09.15 and the meeting will start at 09.30. The meeting will last for approximately one hour. The agenda is driven by the parents/carers but I must remind you that Parental Voice works for the greater good of the school and is not about individual students; any queries about individual students should go through the normal communication channels.

If you would like to attend this meeting, I should be grateful if you would kindly email Mrs Quinn on [lquinn@cchsg.com](mailto:lquinn@cchsg.com) with a brief summary of any topics you would like to discuss.

Mrs W Jackson

Associate to the Principal & CEO

#### Yr 9 Road Safety Play – Monday 5 November Period 4

Students should go to the Hall at the end of lunchtime.

#### Yr 11 Sixth Form Taster Day – Thursday 8 November

Yr 11 students will be off-timetable to become Sixth Form students for the day and sample A Level lessons in the subjects of their choice. Students do not need to wear school uniform; however, they are expected to wear smart business dress with a jacket on this day. We hope that all Yr 11 students find the day both useful and enjoyable.

#### Yr 12 Forward Thinking Day – Thursday 8 November

Yr 12 students will be off-timetable for the day to look at preparing for their next steps after A Level.

#### Yr 13 Parent Consultation Evening – Thursday 8 November from 16.15 to 19.00

Students should be making appointments with subject tutors.

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## **The Poppy Appeal**

Poppies are for sale by members of Yr 8, students are encouraged to support this worthy cause.

## **Commemoration of the Centenary of the First World War**

As part of the school's commemoration of the centenary of the First World War, we have planned a week's worth of events and activities to mark the occasion. Thank you to all those staff and students who emailed a short summary and photograph of a family member who fought in the Great War or subsequent conflicts. These will be part of the school's remembrance display but some will also feature as part of the remembrance assemblies taking place during the week. We have also organised during form time and the PSHE programme, cross curricular activities to be delivered to students across year groups.

On Thursday and Friday lunchtime we are delighted to offer Yr 10 – 13 students the opportunity to watch Peter Jackson's film, *They Shall Not Grow Old* (certificate 15). This will be on a first come first basis, therefore students need to collect a ticket from Mrs Sanderson/Mrs Frost on Monday and Tuesday break-time in the Library. As the film tells the story of people who have lived, fought and died in conflicts, naturally it will feature some scenes that students may find distressing. Consequently, if you do not give permission for your daughter to watch the film, please inform the school office.

## **Bio Bake Off 2018**

Thank you to everyone who baked their biological cakes, cupcakes and biscuits, also to those who came and bought the amazing creations from the Bio Bake Off. We are pleased to say that we have raised £216.60 for St Helena's Hospice, a very worthy local charity.

## **Yr 11 Progress Check Reply Slips**

These were due to be returned by Friday 19 October. There are still many outstanding, please return reply slips to the Main Office by Monday 5 November.

## **Yr 11 GCSE Biology Revision Sessions**

Weekly revision sessions for GCSE Biology on Thursday after school will start on Thursday 15 November, 15.45 – 17.00 in G0. The first topic is from Yr 9 Biology: heart, lungs and respiration (topic 8). The topic on Thursday 22 November will be on homeostasis (topic 7). There will be no session on 29 November. Sessions will resume in the Spring Term every Thursday after school, taking a topic per week. All Yr 11 are welcome

## **Yr 13 Biology Examination Techniques Lunchtime Revision Sessions**

Starting on Tuesday 13 November, 12.45 – 13.20, for 5 weeks a series of sessions in G0, all welcome. Session 1 is statistics, standard deviation and null hypothesis. Subsequent sessions will include: trends and describing data, evaluating results, practical style questions, limitations and variables and planning investigations. Bring your lunch.

## **Yr 13 Mathematics Revision Sessions**

AS Statistics revision Tuesday lunchtimes 12.45 – 13.20 in M12 from 6 November with Mrs Ball.  
AS Pure revision Thursday after school 15.45 – 16.45 in M12 from 15 November with Mr Gosling.

## **Extra-Curricular Information**

### **History Film Club**

The weekly History Film Club will commence the week beginning 12 November and will be every Friday lunchtime, 12.45-13.15 in T20. Students will need to collect an early lunch pass from Mrs Sanderson, available from Monday. The first film will be, *The Rise of Evil*, therefore all GCSE History students are invited to attend (Yrs 9-11), to further their knowledge and understanding.

### **Drama Club**

Rehearsals for *Fiddler on the Roof*:

Thursday 8 November 15.45 – 17.00: Act One in M3 (Adult Ensemble, L'Chaim and The Dream in M2)

Thursday 15 November 15.45 – 17.00: Act Two in M3

Thursday 15 November 15.45 – 16.30: Junior Ensemble (*Sons and Daughters*), *Sunrise Sunset*, *Tradition and Sabbath Prayer* in M2

### **PE Clubs and Practices Timetable**

Please find attached the timetable for the rest of this term. Please note Netball Team Training will now be on **Wednesdays** after school.



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### Real Tennis Opportunity from Prested Hall Tennis Club

Following the presentation in this week's Assemblies to Yrs 9 – 11, please find attached information regarding the Real Tennis Club and an invitation to the Real Tennis British Open at Queens Club.

### Letters sent out this Week

- All Yrs: Severe Weather Advice
- All Yrs: PTFA Christmas Produce
- Yr 9: Science and Natural History Museum Visit
- Yr 9: GCSE PE Information Evening (GCSE PE students only)
- Yr 9: AQA Level 2 Higher Project (selected students)
- Yrs 10-11: Ski Trip 2019 Information Evening (participants only)
- Yr 10: Mandarin and GCSE Chinese Classes (selected students)
- Yr 11: GCSE French Revision Classes (selected students)
- Yr 12 & 13: A Level History Conference (History students only)
- Yr 13: Key Dates and Parent Consultation Evening

### Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 5 November

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 5 November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pork Samosa Pie with Carrots	Beef in Black Bean Sauce with Rice	Sausage, Curly Fries & Beans	Chicken & Chorizo Ragu with ½ Jacket Potato	Breaded Cod with Potato Wedges & Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Chilli with Rice	Vegetable Lasagne with Salad	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Goats Cheese & Onion Tart with Salad	Homity Pie with Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard	Apple Crumble with Custard	White Chocolate Cheesecake	Banana & Toffee Sponge with Custard	Tart Tatin
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Cheese & Onion £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

### Weekly Brainteaser for w/c 5 November

The alphabet is written here but some letters are missing. Arrange the missing letters to give a word.

What is it?

B C D E F G H K M P Q V W X Y Z

Last Week's Brainteaser Answer: Combination

### Word of the Week for w/c 5 November

Next week the word is: **INDISPENSABLE** – extremely desirable or useful, or not to be done without.

Please read on for CCHSG PTFA News



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### 1. Diary Dates for Autumn Term

#### PTFA Committee Meeting

**Monday 26 November 2018** - Final planning for the Christmas Market. This meeting is being held at the home of one of the PTFA members. 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 - Yr 9 Information Evening (18.30 – 19.00 for uniform sale)
2. Saturday 1 December 2018 - Annual Christmas Market (12.00 – 15.00)

### 3. Christmas Produce on Sale in Support of CCHSG

This year, for our Christmas produce offering, we have teamed up with two local companies to offer you the best Christmas puddings and preserves – **Cole's Great British Puddings** based in Great Chesterford near Saffron Walden and **The JamShed** based in Great Maplestead near Sudbury. These yummy treats will be the perfect addition to your Christmas meals and will make fabulous gifts for friends and family. Details of products on offer and order forms were sent out by email to all parents this week. Please send order forms with payment to CCHSG Reception by **Friday 9 November 2018**.

### 4. PTFA Christmas Card Competition

The winner of this year's CCHSG Christmas card competition will receive a £25 voucher. We will also print cards from the excellent runner-up designs by. Cards will be available for purchase in school from mid-November and at the Christmas Market.

### 3. CCHSG PTFA's Quiz & Curry Night - Friday 16 November 2018

**Final call** for this popular event. Only 15 tickets left - so book now to avoid disappointment.

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

### 4. Annual Christmas Market, 1 December, 12.00-15.00hrs – Stalls available

Single stalls £25, double £40. Email the PTFA Committee at [cchsgptfa@gmail.com](mailto:cchsgptfa@gmail.com) for further details.

### With only 4 weeks to go, volunteers needed for the Christmas Market – could you:

1. **Donate bottles for our Bottle Tombola.** Contact Mrs Kirsty Harvey on 07443 535243.
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 Café**
4. **Bake cakes or other festive treats for our café** (all ingredients to be listed)

Email the PTFA Committee at [cchsgptfa@gmail.com](mailto:cchsgptfa@gmail.com) to volunteer.

#### PTFA CONTACTS:

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