



# Colchester County High School for Girls

## Parent Weekly Bulletin

### 3 July 2020



#### Term Dates 2019 – 2020

**Summer Term**  
 Monday 20 April  
 Wednesday 22 July  
**Bank Holiday**  
 Friday 8 May  
**Half Term**  
 Monday 25 May  
 Friday 29 May  
**Non-Pupil Days**  
 Wednesday 22 July 2020

#### Term Dates 2020 – 2021 For Students

**Autumn Term**  
 Thursday 3 September  
 Thursday 17 December  
**Half Term**  
 Monday 26 October  
 Friday 30 October  
**Spring Term**  
 Monday 4 January  
 Friday 26 March  
**Half Term**  
 Monday 15 February  
 Friday 19 February

**Summer Term**  
 Monday 12 April  
 Friday 16 July  
**Bank Holiday**  
 Monday 3 May  
**Half Term**  
 Monday 31 May  
 Friday 4 June

**Non-Pupil Days**  
 Wednesday 2 September 2020  
 Thursday 22 October 2020  
 Friday 23 October 2020  
 Friday 18 December 2020  
 Monday 19 July 2021

**Academy Days**  
 Tuesday 20 July 2021  
 Wednesday 21 July 2021

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#### Dates for Your Diary

Monday 6 July – Friday 10 July	Week B
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#### Students in School – Yr 12 Bubbles

Option A	6 or 7 July
Option B	9 or 10 July
Option C	13 or 14 July
Option D	16 or 17 July

If students are unwell and not coming into school parents should ring the student absence line by 08.45

#### Students in School

Again it was lovely to have some Yr 10 students in school, as well as key worker children this week. We look forward to seeing Yr 12 students next week. Students are asked to please ensure they observe 2m social distance at all times, regularly hand wash or sanitise and follow the signage as indicated when in school.

Students coming into school must read the Student Code of Conduct carefully and complete the acknowledgment form [here](#).

Maps explaining the one way system and link to pictures of the school have been sent to students.

#### School Opening in September

As you will be aware the government has published the guidance for full opening of schools from September.

Once we have processed the guidance and completed our planning for September we will send out further information for parents and students. We thank you for your patience.

Information from the government can be found:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm\\_source=a4f2c389-4567-489e-bfe9-f60d374c0313&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=a4f2c389-4567-489e-bfe9-f60d374c0313&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

#### Live Lessons

Many of our teachers are now delivering one or two of their timetabled lessons partly live on a fortnightly basis. Students are informed in advance by their teacher of when these lessons will take place. Live lessons for each subject will follow your daughter's timetable. You will be able to see when these live lessons are taking place by checking your daughter's Teams calendar. If you are unsure as to when these live lessons will be running, please do not hesitate to contact your daughter's subject teacher.

#### Yr 7 Reports

These have been posted home today.

#### Yr 11 Virtual Afternoon Tea

Students have been invited to save the date for the Yr 11 Virtual Afternoon Tea on Wednesday 8 July, 14.30 – 15.30.

We look forward to seeing Yr 11 at this event.

#### Live Streaming & ICT Acceptable Use Agreement

Parents have been sent a copy of the **CCHSG Student ICT Acceptable Use Agreement** for parents and students to read and are reminded to follow the link below to confirm that the agreement has been read and to agree to the content. In addition, to give permission for students to participate in whole class live streamed lessons. [Student ICT Acceptable Use Agreement and Live Streaming link](#)

#### CCHSG Summer Interform Challenge 2020

The PE department are proud to present the 'CCHSG Summer Interform Challenge 2020'. This event will take place during the week 13-17 July and will give students the opportunity to compete against other Form Groups in a series of sporting challenges during their usual PE lesson time. Form tutors will be provided with further information over the next week in preparation for the big event.



For daily news updates follow CCHSG on Facebook or Twitter @CCHSG\_

## **The Kilt – Online Edition**

The final edition of The Kilt for this academic year will be published online for all to read. Please use the following link to access the newspaper and enjoy all the wonderful articles that have been written.

<https://www.cchsg.com/index.php/students/school-newspaper-the-kilt/category/51-school-newspaper>

## **The Kilt Editorial Team**

Calling all budding writers and editors - The Kilt needs YOU! For students currently in Yr 12 and interested in forming part of The Kilt editorial team next year, there are a wide variety of sections that they can take responsibility for including:

Current Affairs	World News	Lifestyle	Science	Culture
Opinion	Sport	Break Time	History and Politics	Problem Solving Polly
General Editor				

Students should email their interest to Miss Bowdidge ([ebowdidge@cchsg.com](mailto:ebowdidge@cchsg.com)) with a brief explanation about why they are interested in being an editor, which section they would like to edit and what makes them a good candidate for the role.

## **Debate Club – Wednesday 8 July 12.30 – 13.00**

The next Debate Club session will discuss the statement: “Was lockdown worth the economic risks?” Any students wishing to join the debate group should email Mr Paz to be added to the MicrosoftTeam.

## **Secret Reading Habits of Teachers**

During lockdown we thought you would all like some insight into the reading choices of members of staff. It is always interesting for us as librarians to discover what people are reading and why. If students would like to send us their choices for inclusion into next weeks update please email us at [Libraray@cchsg.com](mailto:Libraray@cchsg.com) and we will be more than happy to include you.

Dr Martin is reading Breathing Lessons by Anne Tyler. She chose an Anne Tyler after listening to the author interviewed on a podcast. The book is based on the lives and friendships of one couple. Written with lots of imagery, Dr Martin feels as though she is there with the couple watching them live their lives.

Miss Wiseman has earned herself a merit from the librarians. She has joined a virtual book group! This is a fantastic way to try news books outside your usual comfort zone. Miss Wiseman has just finished The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri. This looks at refugees journeys to England. She thoroughly enjoyed it, saying it put life into perspective showing how families' lives were put at risk so they could reach a safer, happier life.

Mr King is reading book 14 in the Dresden Files series called 'Cold days'. The series follows the story of a wizard who works as a private detective in Chicago... Mr King says “it is pure escapism, an alternate fantasy reality with mystery, magic and action”

We will keep you updated with more book news next week... Mrs Cox and Mrs Craig.

## **Wellbeing Support**

If any student needs wellbeing support at this time, please contact their Year Leader who can advise and signpost suitable resources and support organisations.

## **Safeguarding**

The government have published advice for parents and carers about the main risks children may be particularly vulnerable to at this time and information about available help and support.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm>

## **Young Carers Advice**

Government guidance and information for people under the age of 25 who are providing care for someone during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak can be found via: [Young carers and young adult carers: providing care during coronavirus](#)

## **Water Safety Information – Toxic Blue Green Algae**

Due to the presence of blue green algae being found in local rivers, particularly the Stour on the Essex/Suffolk border, we strongly advise young people against swimming in rivers.

Good hygiene practices should be followed after any contact with river water or river banks including thorough hand washing before eating or as soon as possible after visiting the river.

## **Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service (ECFWS)**

Please find attached their latest interactive resource aimed to support schools and families throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. It contains activities to support the wellbeing of our school community in line with the PSHE curriculum, resources for your information, relevant service updates and up to date contact information.

For further advice and guidance, please visit their [Covid-19 Pandemic Resource Hub](#).

## Enrichment Opportunities

### **Yrs 7 and 8 Virgin Radio 500 Word Competition**

Students have been invited to take part in a 500 word writing competition for children aged between 5 and 13 that is being run nationally in response to the Black Lives Matter movement.

Their task is to write a 500 word story that deals with the themes and issues that have arisen as a result of this movement. Deadline for entries is today Friday 3 July, Students should enter independently and not via their English teacher. Parents will need to create a submission profile and upload their child's story using the form on the website by 23.59. Please find further information here: <https://500words.me/>

### **UKMT Junior Mathematical Challenge Archive**

A collection of past papers and solutions are available to download for free through the UKMT online shop available at: <https://www.ukmt.org.uk/competitions/solo/junior-mathematical-challenge/archive>

### **Speakers for Schools – Virtual Talks for w/c 6 July**

The complete schedule can be found [here](#), but next week you will be able to hear from:

Monday 6 July	10.00	Katy Sumption, Author and Creative Director	Speaking about her career journey and what led her to write a book for young people about anxiety.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Tuesday 7 July	10.00	Cassie Chadderton, CEO, World Book Day	Discusses her varied career in the creative industries, the importance of the arts in society and more about World Book Day.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Tuesday 7 July	14.00	Matt Brittin, President, EMEA Business & Operations, Google	Discusses his life lessons and advice, preparing for the world of work and the ever changing tech industry – what could this look like in 2030 and how can students prepare themselves for a career in tech.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Wednesday 8 July	10.00	Adam Forbes, Head of Marketing, BP Launchpad	Learn more about business start-ups and delivering cleaner energy to the world –for those interested in entrepreneurship, business or the environment	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Wednesday 8 July	14.00	Kanbar Hossein Bor, Deputy High Commissioner for Bangladesh	Reflecting on his personal journey from child refugee to British diplomat and opportunities of being a diplomat in the current climate.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Thursday 9 July	14.00	Simon Armstrong, Publicity Manager and Hannah Chukwu, Editor, Penguin Random House	Share how the industry works, how books are made and how to get into publishing.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>
Friday 3 July	10.00	Ben Saunders, Polar Explorer	Discusses with students the importance of goal setting, self-belief, resilience, teamwork, communication, and leadership.	<b>WATCH LIVE TALK HERE</b>

### **Happy Puzzle Company Quiz Competition**

Last week's puzzle was the last one from the Happy Puzzle Company until later in the year. However, the answers to 14 W of Gavin's P set last week can be found at the end of the Bulletin.

### **West Suffolk College: STEMtastic LIVE - 11 July 09.30 – 17.00**

A day of free virtual STEM activities for all: understand more about STEM sectors, research STEM careers and courses, support current home schooling and next steps in students' education. A wonderful day filled with an array of informative and stimulating sessions, lessons, demonstrations and competitions, please go to [stem.wsc.ac.uk/stemtastic/](https://stem.wsc.ac.uk/stemtastic/) for full details.

### **STEM Activities at Home**

For more STEM activities to try at home, Cambridge Science Festival have a great collection of 'Do Try This at Home' activities for all ages and levels of knowledge. <https://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk/do-try-home>. They also have a collection of recorded events from previous years. <https://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk/listen-again>

## **The Royal Society Summer Science Exhibition 2020 - Monday 13 July to Friday 17 July ONLINE**

A fantastic and free digital programme of talks, quizzes and videos celebrating cutting-edge and historic science.

Visit the website, subscribe to the YouTube channel where activities will be streamed for free

<https://royalsociety.org/science-events-and-lectures/2020/summer-science-online/>

Our highlights

- **Powering the future** (Monday 13 July 15.00 – 15.15) Venture into the lab with Dr Ulrich Hintermair to discover the role of chemical catalysts in the creation of sustainable energy
- **Family friendly quiz** (Monday 13 July 18.00 – 19.00)
- **The secret mind of pets** (Tuesday 14 July 12.30 – 12.45)
- **Adventures in Antarctica** (Tuesday 14 July 15.00 – 15.15) Join Professor Eric Wolff on his field trip to the snowy wonderland that is Antarctica. In this short film we follow Professor Wolff and his team as they drill 650 metres into the West Antarctic ice sheet, unlocking the secret of earth's past climate, and allowing us a glimpse at the future
- **Brian Cox interviews Sir David Attenborough** (Wednesday 15 July 10.15 – 11.15) People of science who inspires you? Brian Cox takes the question to some of the most eminent figures in science and culture at this special screening of series 1 and 2 of the Royal Society's flagship video series. Featuring guests including David Attenborough, Wendy Hall, Bill Bryson and more
- **What are they up to now?** (every day at different time) Ever wonder what our researchers do once the Summer Science Exhibition is finished? We catch up with some of our previous exhibitors to find out what is new with their research since their time at the Exhibition
- **Exploring exoplanets** (Friday 17 July 12.30 – 12.45) Join astrophysicist Professor Giovanna Tinetti as she explores the exotic planets orbiting other stars. With almost 4,000 exoplanets being discovered in the past 20 years alone, there is still lots to be learned
- **Ask the SpaceXperts** (Friday 17 July 14.00 – 16.00) What are black holes? Are we alone in the Universe? How do rockets work? This is your chance to quiz our collection of space experts in this live Q&A. We'll be joined by previous exhibitors from across the years to help us explore the answers to some of the biggest questions about the Universe

## **University Information**

### **UCAS Personal Statement Course**

To ease the challenge of making a UCAS application caused by the pandemic, the Oxbridge Masterclass is offering **free** access to their online Personal Statement writing course, which is designed to support anyone making a UCAS application.

The course covers the following:

- Tutorials and templates to take you from blank page to final draft
- Walkthrough videos and model personal statements
- Wider reading recommendations based on your subject to kick-start your summer preparation

To sign-up, please complete [this form on their website](#).

### **Personal Statement Workbook from the University Of East Anglia**

The booklet is available on our website here <https://cchsg.com/index.php/parents/higher-education-information>

Or for a direct link to download it here: [https://cchsg.com/index.php/parents/higher-education-information/item/download/1523\\_df12ecd077efc8c23881028604dbb8cc](https://cchsg.com/index.php/parents/higher-education-information/item/download/1523_df12ecd077efc8c23881028604dbb8cc)

### **Personal Statement Webinar for Medical Students – Tuesday 14 July 17.00**

Medapply, a startup founded by UCL medical students, are holding this free covering tips and tricks to writing a personal statement whilst going through some examples.

Register using the link below,

Students: <https://www.medapply.co.uk/student-webinar-signup>

Teachers: <https://www.medapply.co.uk/teacher-webinar-signup>

There are only 100 spaces available on a first come first serve basis, so please register as soon as possible. For further details: [www.medapply.co.uk](http://www.medapply.co.uk)

### **UCAS Virtual Exhibitions to Explore Veterinary, Medicine, and Dentistry Courses (15 October Deadline)**

The first in a series of UCAS virtual exhibitions, designed to help students explore their options [UCAS virtual exhibition – 15 October deadline, veterinary, medicine, and dentistry](#)

on 23 July 07.00 – 23.00. Students can register here: [ucas.com/vet-med](https://ucas.com/vet-med) and are advised to register early.

This online event will allow students to explore courses at up to 40 universities and colleges around the UK, perfect for anyone considering applying to medicine, veterinary, or dentistry courses.

Students will have chance to speak directly to subject and admissions specialists via 1-2-1 or group chat, listen in on topical seminars, and pick up digital prospectus' and other information.

## UEA June 2020 Updates - Open Day, Clearing Webinars and Taster Sessions

UEA are sharing the following resources and events which may be useful.

**UEA Virtual Open Day: 4 July:** Students will be able to discover UEA with the chance to chat to academics and students, join subject talks, and take 360 degree tours of our campus, it is a way to discover what it's like to live and study at UEA.

For details and to register visit [www.uea.ac.uk/openday](http://www.uea.ac.uk/openday)

**Clearing Webinars:** a series of webinars giving the chance to hear about how things will work this year and ask any questions in a relaxed and friendly environment.

22 July: Teachers and advisers: *Supporting your students through clearing and adjustment*

23 July: Parents and carers: *Supporting your student through clearing, adjustment and the transition to university*

06 August: Students: *Getting the most from clearing*

For details, visit [www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars](http://www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars)

### Taster Sessions

7 July: Women in Economics - A webinar designed to inspire female students, plus accompanying teacher CPD session.

[www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars](http://www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars)

6-10 July: Discover Social Sciences Week - A week of interactive online taster lectures covering business, law, economics, human geography/development, psychology and sociology. [www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars](http://www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars)

## Lancaster University

The university has created [Schools Resources Hub](#) a collection of information and resources for teachers, students and parents aged 16+ with their journey to HE, including resources on university progression support and IAG, subject resources, parents and carers information, and information on local and community projects with schools at Lancaster.

**Webinars In July and August, we are continuing to offer a packed schedule of webinars on various topics:**

Yr 12:

How to make the most of a virtual open day – 6 July, 16.00 – 17.00

Why Lancaster? – 6 July, 10.00 – 11.00

Choosing courses and places – 7 July, 12.00 – 13.00

Student life and accommodation – 17 July, 12.00 – 13.00

Yr 13:

Staying well at university – 8 July, 16.00 – 17.00 & 7 August, 11.00 – 12.00

Getting ready for clearing – 9 July, 11.00 – 12.00 & 3 August, 16.00 – 17.00

Parents and carers information – 13 July 18.00 – 19.00 & 10 August, 18.00 – 19.00

Building your graduate profile whilst studying – 16 July, 12.00 – 13.00

Student life and accommodation – 21 July, 10.00 – 11.00

**Lancaster University Online Open Day** the next [undergraduate open day will take place on Saturday 11th July between](#)

[10am-2.30pm](#). There will be a live stream of presentations and live questions on YouTube, recorded presentations

available to watch on demand and the opportunity to speak to faculties and departments through dozens

of Unibuddy channels staffed by current students and staff. We had fantastic engagement and feedback from the first open day and would very much encourage students to join us on the 11th for a full flavour of what the university has to offer both academically and more widely.

### Unibuddy Live Event

For both prospective students and offer holders, the [Unibuddy Live event taking place on 16th July](#) will provide an opportunity to speak to current students from a variety of courses and ask them any questions that they may have about studying at Lancaster.

## University of Glasgow: Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine Admissions & UCAT Update

Some useful information from the University of Glasgow:

**Medical School Admissions** information and FAQs: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions)

**Dental School & Dentistry Admissions** information: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/dental/undergraduate](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/dental/undergraduate)

Dentistry Specification for applicants: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/media/Media\\_719069\\_smxx.pdf](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/media/Media_719069_smxx.pdf)

The [Dental Schools Council](#) has also published information on the ways applicants can learn about what a career in Dentistry involve [www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/dental/undergraduate/workshadowing](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/dental/undergraduate/workshadowing)

Veterinary Medicine Admissions information: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees/veterinarymedicine](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees/veterinarymedicine)

Veterinary Medicine information in relation to Covid-19: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/vet/studentstaff/covid-19-info](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/vet/studentstaff/covid-19-info)

Applicants are advised to conduct their own online research into areas where they have been unable to gain practical experience to boost their knowledge and understanding of the veterinary profession. [www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/vet/studentstaff/covid-19-info/#](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/schools/vet/studentstaff/covid-19-info/#)

### UCAT resources:

Important Information Leaflet: [www.ucat.ac.uk/media/1425/ucat2020-key-information-leaflet.pdf](http://www.ucat.ac.uk/media/1425/ucat2020-key-information-leaflet.pdf)

UCAT Preparation Plan video: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0o4nTJs-V4&t=2s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0o4nTJs-V4&t=2s)

UCAT FAQs: [www.ucat.ac.uk/faqs](http://www.ucat.ac.uk/faqs)

### Upcoming events and resources:

UCAS Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine virtual event Thursday 23 July, each university will have their own available between 07.00 – 23.00. [www.ucas.com/events/virtual-exhibition-15-october-deadline-veterinary-medicine-and-dentistry-375](http://www.ucas.com/events/virtual-exhibition-15-october-deadline-veterinary-medicine-and-dentistry-375)

University of Glasgow Virtual Open Days & Events: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduateevents](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduateevents)



## University of Warwick – Online Events

Their virtual Open Days will help students to find out more about courses at Warwick, take part in live sessions led by academics, explore their campus virtually, and talk with current Warwick students.

Monday 6 July – Friday 10 July

Monday 13 July – Friday 17 July

Find out more and register your interest [here](#).

## Careers Information

### Final appointments for the Summer Term with Mrs Kee

Mrs Kee is our impartial Careers Adviser has her last appointments available on Wednesday 8 July to provide advice to students. Parents can request a telephone appointment for their daughter by emailing Mrs Mandal, Careers Lead, via [smandal@cchsg.com](mailto:smandal@cchsg.com). Please provide a telephone number that Mrs Kee can use to contact your daughter and the date and time requested for the appointment. By providing a telephone number we would acknowledge that you have provided permission for us to pass this information to Mrs Kee. Appointments will then continue in the Autumn Term.

### The PremedProjects Team: Future Doctors Week 20 - 24 July

Future Doctors week is being run online for students aged 14-18 who might be considering careers in healthcare. Students will spend the week learning everything they need to apply to medical school and will gain some work experience to help with applications, all incorporated into an online course, led by current practicing UK NHS doctors.

Full details can be found by visiting <https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/future-doctors-week-online>

In addition, all students interested in a career in medicine or who are considering choosing medicine at university can receive a free guide to writing medical school personal statements via this link.

## Community Information

### Learnay: Free Adult Education and Training Courses

Home learning helps people make the most of their time in addition to improving employment prospects. Learnay helps adults find free education courses and training in our area, by connecting with ESFA and local authority funded colleges, schools and training providers. Visit their website <https://www.learnay.co.uk> for further information and to search for courses.

### Essex Libraries Re-Opening – From Monday 6 July

Essex Libraries are looking forward to welcoming everybody back to the library, however they will look a little different with the health and safety measures in place following Government guidelines and not all services and facilities will be available at first.

To help they have launched the Iguana mobile app, which lets you search the catalogue and manage your library account wherever you are. You can view up to date library opening times and location information. For more information please see the [news article](#) on their website.

For further information about the libraries re-opening visit their [website](#), [frequently asked questions \(FAQs\)](#) and [library location pages](#) which are being updated regularly.

## Letters and Communications sent out this Week

Yr 8: Visit to Battlefields of Ypres Update

Yrs 8 – 13: Cabaret Recording Parental Permission (selected students)

Yrs 9 & 10: Iceland Trip October 2020

Yr 12: Geography Field Trip Update

## Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
Yrs 8 - 13	Cabaret Recording Parental Permission – electronic form	
Yrs 9 & 10	Iceland Trip October 2020 – electronic form	
Yr 11	Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) Bursary Fund	Friday 18 September

## Word of the Week for w/c 6 July

Next week the word is: **SCRUPULOUS** – diligent, thorough, extremely attentive to details.



# Colchester County High School for Girls

3 July 2020



## 1. Second Hand Uniform and Revision Books Collection

We are very grateful for the many donations of uniform that are being dropped off at the school. This September, we will be welcoming 192 new Yr 7 students and with the upcoming uniform sales in mind, we will need plenty of stock. Families are looking at ways to save money and as the Coronavirus pandemic reduces the options for fundraising, at this time of challenge, your support is needed more than ever so that the PTFA can continue to fund additional equipment and resources for departments across the school. Please do keep sending in donations of uniform, PE kits, etc. that are in good condition. We particularly hope that Yr 11 parents will donate the uniform that their daughters no longer need as they progress on to Sixth Form.

We are also grateful for donations of 11 Plus, SATs, GCSE and A Level revision books.

In line with guidelines relating to the Covid-19 pandemic, your donations can be deposited in wheelie bins, which are both clearly marked and situated to the left of the reception entrance at the school. Please place items in the depositories provided between Monday-Thursday only. This is to allow 72 hours for the clothes and books to become sterile and they will be collected and sorted by the PTFA every Monday morning. Thank you in advance for responding to this appeal.

## 2. Upcoming Second Hand Uniform Sale dates:-

Thursday 23 July (14.00 – 20.00)

Friday 24 July (14.00 – 20.00)

Saturday 25 July (10.00 -14.00)

**Venue:** CCHSG Gymnasium

In order to ensure social distancing and to prioritise the safety of all involved, appointments will be needed to attend these sales. All three sale dates are now open for booking for the whole school community.

**Appointments can only be made through this online booking system:** <https://form.jotform.com/cchsgptfa/ptfa-second-hand-uniform-shop>

A strict in and out system will be in place and only three sets of ONE parent & ONE child will be admitted for each 20 minute time slot. Siblings are not allowed unless they are also from the school and need to get uniform. Families must stay together at all times. We regret that we cannot take advance reservations for items. Sales will be on a first come first served basis.

The PTFA would be very grateful for volunteers to help out on the uniform sale dates.

**Please sign up to volunteer via:** <https://volunteersignup.org/DY3BF>

## 3. Seamstress Available for Uniform Alterations

We are pleased to be collaborating with Mrs Sally (Sal) Williams of Copford, Colchester who will be able to do alterations to your daughter's uniform including blazer at a very affordable price. Contact: Sal at 01206 211735 / 07542182552 or email [sallyannwilliams1965@gmail.com](mailto:sallyannwilliams1965@gmail.com)

## 4. Easyfundraising & AmazonSmile

As we all continue to practice social distancing, more of our shopping is being done online. A really simple and FREE way to support the school during this difficult time is to sign up to Easyfundraising.

For those who regularly shop with Amazon UK, please note that you now need to search for AmazonSmile on [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) or the App. You will then be directed to AmazonSmile. This website is operated by Amazon and allows you to enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on amazon.co.uk. The difference is that when you shop on smile.amazon.co.uk, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) to the eligible charitable organisation of your choice. To raise donations with Amazon, there is AmazonSmile. But for everything else, there is Easyfundraising!

If you have not done so already, do not forget to sign up to support Colchester County High School for Girls PTA via **Easyfundraising & AmazonSmile** for all your online shopping.

**To sign up for Easyfundraising, use the following link:**

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colchestercountygirlspta/>

PTFA CONTACTS:

Chair: Agness O'Brien

[agnessobrien@hotmail.com](mailto:agnessobrien@hotmail.com)

Tel. 01376 573694 or 07951 511653

For all enquires related to the PTFA, email [cchsgptfa@gmail.com](mailto:cchsgptfa@gmail.com)

## Happy Puzzle Company Quiz: Last Week's Answers – 14 W of Gavin's P

1. There are 7 D in a W (7 days in a week)
2. There are 60 S in an H (60 seconds in an hour)
3. 2 H make a W (2 halves make a whole)
4. There are 2 S to every A (2 sides to every argument)
5. There are 90 D in a R A (90 degrees in a right angle)
6. You have 5 T on each of your F ( 5 toes on your feet)
7. There are 6 F on a C 6 (6 faces on a cube)
8. There were 6 W of H the E (6 wives of Henry VIII)
9. There are 11 P in a F T (11 players in a football team)
10. There are 13 in a B D (13 in a baker's dozen)
11. There are 7 W of the W (7 wonders of the world)
12. There are 193 F M of the U N (193 full members of the United Nations)
13. There are 7 C of the R (7 colours of the rainbow)
14. 7 B for 7 B (7 brides for 7 brothers)
15. There are 7 H P B by J K R (7 Harry Potter books by J K Rowling)
16. There are 7 S on a F P P (7 sides on a fifty pence piece)
17. There are 30 D in the M of J (30 days in the month of June)
18. There are 8 L on a S (8 legs on a spider)
19. A C is said to have 9 L (a cat is said to have 9 lives)
20. There are 9 P in the S S (9 planets in the solar system)
21. There are 10 M in a C (10 millimetres in a centimetre)
22. There are 5 R on the O F (5 rings on the Olympic flag)
23. There are 124 P A in the UK (There are 124 postcode areas in the UK)
24. There are 10 Y in a D (10 years in a decade)
25. There are 366 D in a L Y (366 days in a leap year)
26. There are 5 S on a P (sides on a pentagon)
27. 16 is F S (16 is four squared)
28. There are 12 S of the Z (12 signs of the Zodiac)
29. There are 13 C in a S (13 cards in a suit)
30. M E is 8848 M H (Mount Everest is 8848 metres high)
31. T E S C has been won by 27 different C (The Eurovision Song Contest has been won by 27 different countries)
32. There are 18 H on a G C (18 holes on a golf course)
33. There are 26 L in the A (26 letters in the alphabet)
34. There are 52 W in a Y (52 weeks in a year)
35. There are 54 C in a D (cards in a deck)
36. There are 4 S on the A P, each of which has 7 P (4 stars on the Australian flag, each of which has 7 points)
37. There are 8 R P in L, the largest of which is R P (8 Royal parks in London, the largest of which is Richmond park)
38. There are 88 K on a P (88 keys on a piano)
39. Up to and including last Friday, there have been 10077 E of C S (10077 episodes of Coronation Street)
40. There are 100 P in a P (100 pennies in a pound)
41. There are 360 D in a C (360 degrees in a circle)
42. There are 604,800 S in a W (604800 seconds in a week)
43. 75 is 3 Q as a P (75 is 3 quarters as a percentage)
44. 221b B S is the H of S H (221b Baker Street is the home of Sherlock Holmes)
45. You get 200 P for passing G in M (£200 for passing 'Go' in Monopoly)
46. 24 D C is 75 D F (24 degrees Celsius is 75 degrees Fahrenheit)
47. 3 S plus T equals 70 (3 score plus ten equals 70)
48. A B in the H is worth 2 in the B (a bird in the hand is worth 2 in the bush)
49. A S in T saves N (a stitch in time saves nine)
50. There are 6 W until you get G N P Q! (6 weeks until you get Gavin's next puzzle quiz)