



Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tending Weekly News



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CCHS Student Leaders



At Clacton County High School, we are PROUD of the involvement of our students in all aspects of school life. Across the school we challenge students to take personal responsibility of their learning and development, including growing their leadership qualities through various opportunities available. Our student leaders represent the school in a variety of roles as well as giving students a voice within the leadership of the school. The non-curriculum student leaders assist at school events including; meeting and greeting at parents' evenings, parental engagement events and other celebrations. They also form part of the interview process of new teaching staff. In addition, the student mentors are busy around school, helping their peers by giving assistance or by being just someone to talk to. Each student mentor is attached to a Year 7 form group, helping form tutors and offering a friendly face at form times. Well done to all our student leaders and thank you for everything that you do for the school.

The CCHS Summer Musical - Evita - Thursday 13th to Saturday 15th July

After the success of last year's CCHS Musical, 'Legally Blond', we are delighted that this year's summer production 'Evita' takes to the school stage in July. Set in Buenos Aires, Argentina, between 1934-1952 the musical follows Eva Duarte Peron on her journey from a fatherless child to ambitious actress, to the most powerful woman in Latin America, and eventually, to a saint-like figure after her death from cancer at age 33.

Action-packed and exploding with memorable songs and dynamic dances, 'Evita' opens on the 13th July with shows nightly at 7pm, with an additional matinee performance on Saturday 15th July at 2pm.

Rehearsals are in full swing and the cast cannot wait.....

A CLACTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION



EVITA

13TH & 14TH JULY 7PM, 15TH JULY 2PM & 7PM

TICKETS £8 FROM COUNTYHIGH.ORG.UK

[Tickets are available on-line, priced £8 each](#)



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CCHS Multi-school Council

CCHS recently hosted the latest gathering of the district Multi-school Council with students from Colne Community School welcomed by our school councillors - Ruby, Katie, Joshua (not pictured), Elise, Martha, Scarlett and Eloise. They discussed a number of interesting ideas surrounding the barriers that are faced by the deaf community and how they can better understand their struggles in school. The students also discussed the issues still facing local schools as the catch up continues from the measures put in place during the pandemic. The groups put forth some brilliant ideas that they think would support an improvement in attitudes to learning and encourage better relationships with peers. The leader of the Multi-school Council, who conducted the meeting thanked CCHS for hosting the meeting and all the young people who took part, saying that "It was great to see how you all worked with people you didn't know and I was impressed with your mature attitudes and your fantastic ideas." The students were all very proud of the ideas that they put forward and are looking forward to the next event Multi-school Council event, the annual United in Diversity Celebration Day at Braxted Park later this month.

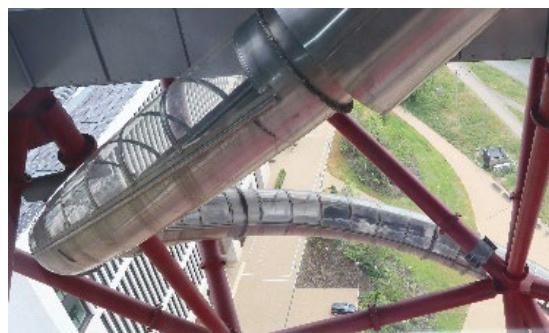


'Learning on Location' - Human Geography at the Olympic Park

This week eighty of our Year 10 Geography students attended one of their field work excursions; a compulsory element of their GCSE exam course. The focus of the day was to investigate the regeneration of London's Olympic Park situated in the Borough of Newham, identified as one of the most deprived local authorities in the country. In the latter part of the last century the area was one of the busiest industrial hubs in the world, but as global competition increased it fell into decline.



The regeneration of the area began in the years leading up to the London 2012 Olympics and eleven years later, the legacy continues, by still bringing growth to the area. Throughout the day, students undertook a number of surveys at a variety of sites around the park, including; a housing estate outside the main area of regeneration, the former Olympic Village where the athletes lived during the games and since converted to housing; and an area next to the West Ham Stadium and Westfield Shopping centre, now a hub for entertainment and night-time culture. Students noted how busy each area was, including the density of business people using each area, investigated the up-keep required to maintain the appearance of each area and looked at the visible security measures in place to ensure the safety of visitors to all areas of the park.



To finish a busy day of surveying, the students concluded the trip with a visit to the London Arceleor Mittal Orbit sculpture and observation tower in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, where they were given a



birds-eye view of the whole of the Olympic Park and across the city of London. The students spent time looking at the local regeneration and then had the opportunity to ride the Orbit Slide, the world's longest tunnel slide, instead of taking the lift back down!



Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tending Notices and Letters



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The Weekly Notices is a 'one-stop shop' for home/school written communications and information.

Please take the time to check through the mailing particularly for your child's individual year group: there could be some very important information for you to be aware of.

Whole School Notices

Planning ahead for September 2023 - Uniform & Equipment

[Everything you need to know about school uniform](#)

[Equipment checklist](#)

Term date reminders

- [Term Dates 2023/2024](#)
- Thursday 29th June – Year 11 Prom
- Thursday 13th July – School Musical Evita - [Tickets now available](#)
- Friday 14th July – School Musical Evita - [Tickets now available](#)
- Saturday 15th July – School Musical Evita - [Tickets now available](#)
- Friday 21st July – End of Term (school finishes after Period 2)

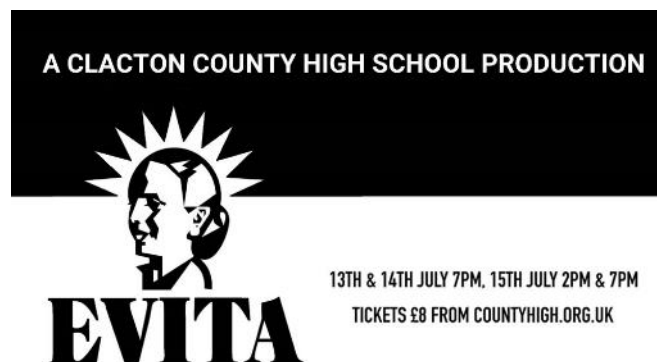
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- Thursday 13th July @ 7pm
- Friday 14th July @ 7pm
- Saturday 15th July @ 2pm and 7pm

All seats priced £8

[Tickets are now on sale - Click here.....](#)



Happy National Thank a Teacher Day! Wednesday, 21st June 2023



A nationwide celebration of all UK teaching and support staff can only mean one thing...National Thank a Teacher Day is back on Wednesday 21st June 2023! Don't miss the chance to say thank you and celebrate all the wonderful staff in your teaching community. **Say thank you to an amazing teacher – [Send your Free personalised Thank a Teacher card here](#)**

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Year 7

School reports

Reports are now live on Go4Schools - [How to understand the report](#)
View on Go4schools, please find [easy to follow guide](#)

Two versions of Year 7 Reports - Message from Mrs Lisa Ellis – please provide your feedback [here](#)

We are trialling 2 new report formats. Both reports are based on the same data, the difference is how the data is presented. It is important that the reports are meaningful so you have the information you need to support your child throughout their high school education. We would therefore appreciate your feedback on which report version you find most informative and easy to understand.

In **report version 1**, students have been divided into groups based on their recent assessments. This is their **Assessment Attainment Group**.

If their group numbers in a subject are the same, your child is making the same progress as their peers with a similar starting point. If their group number has gone up, they are making more progress than their peers with a similar starting point and if the group number has gone down they are not making as much progress as their peers with a similar starting point.

In **report version 2**, students have been given a statement following recent assessments to show how your child is progressing compared to peers with a similar starting point e.g. Above, On track, Below.

As this is the first round of these reports in this format, assessment groups or statements are only included for English Maths, Science, History and Geography. Future reports will contain assessment information for all subjects.

We can only publish one report on Go4Schools at a time so initially you will see Version 1. This will be updated once a preference has been decided following your valuable feedback.

Year 8



Spanish in action event for Year 8 only – A invitation to attend – [Click here to reserve your place](#)

[Letter from Mrs Antigone Margariti](#)

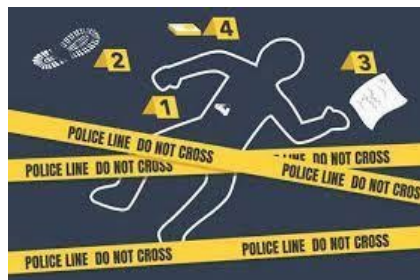
Year 9

Year 9 Core Assessments – Monday, 19th and Tuesday 20th June

[Letter from Mrs Karen Loosley - Deputy Headteacher](#)

From crime scene to courtroom.....

On Friday 30th June, thirty talented Year 9 pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a FREE workshop where they will be required to investigate a murder scene, solve the crime and take it through the judicial system.



To secure a place in this workshop, students have been tasked with producing a poster (computer or hand-made) to demonstrate how science is linked to solving crimes.

The best 30 posters will be chosen for a place!

Posters could include:

- Scientific discoveries and techniques which help to solve crimes.
- How science has helped with the way criminals are prosecuted?
- Anything else related to how science links to solving crimes.

Entries can be handed into their science teacher or sent to science.poster@cchs.school
The closing date is Friday 9th June and winners will be announced the following week!

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Year 10

Year 10 Mocks

The majority of year 10 students will be taking Mock Examinations please see this [Letter from Mrs Karen Loosley - Deputy headteacher](#)

Year 10 Futures Week Monday, 3rd July – Friday, 7th July

During this term, we are providing a full range of careers education, information, advice, guidance and activities for Year 10 students in preparation for Year 11. Information and support will be available to help them to make appropriate choices about their post-16 destinations with access to a range of opportunities and exciting events.

[Letter from Mr A Cooke](#)

Year 11

Sigma Sixth Induction Day - Thursday, 13th July

Message from Head of College - Mrs S McKarry

Our Sixth Form Induction Day for year 11 students joining us in September will be on Thursday, 13th July. We are very excited to welcome the new cohort to Sigma Sixth for the day and have some exciting activities planned which we hope students will find both informative and enjoyable.

The day begins with an introductory talk on life in the college and the expectations of being a Sigma Sixth student. Students will then participate in activities that will help them prepare for their studies in September and will be introduced to their subject assignments which they are expected to complete over the summer holiday. The afternoon session will focus on team building. We have invited The Problem Solving Company into college to provide a range of team building and problem solving activities to develop a bond with the new cohort through collaborative working and promote critical thinking in preparation for post-16 study.

Letters have been sent to applicants, parents and carers but if you have not received this or require further information please contact the sixth form team: sixthform@cchs.school.

Year 11 Examinations - GCSE examinations are in full swing. The links below will provide all of the important information that parents might need to support their child. Students have behaved maturely and in line with the strict examination requirements and have been revising hard in preparation. Well done to all of those students who have been up bright and early to attend the 8am revision sessions and thank you to their teachers for giving up their personal time to provide the additional support, before school, after school and during the half term break. N.B. The sessions next week are by invitation only.

- [Please click here to view the booklet](#)
- [Click here to view the declining timetable](#)
- [Exams page of our website](#)

Years 12 & 13 - SIGMA SIXTH Important Dates:

[Letter from Mrs S McKarry - Head of College Important exam information](#)

Year 12 Pathways week – Tuesday, 13th – Friday, 16th June

Our annual Post 18 Pathways Week for year 12 students will take place from Tuesday, 13th June until Friday, 16th June, inclusive. Students will have the opportunity to follow a range of activities designed to support and inform their post 18 choices. [Click here for more information](#)

Exams Summer 2023 - Sixth Form Students & Parents

[Sigma Sixth Exams website](#)

[Full Exam timetable](#)

[Revision and Exam Timetable](#)



SEND Roadshow – what support is available in Essex?

[Click here for more information](#)

Autism Central for parents and carers

A new programme designed and developed to deliver high-quality and accessible autism information, education and coaching for families, parents, carers, and personal assistants. [Click here for more information](#)

InterAct - “Developing Resilience & Wellbeing

InterAct are offering a **FREE** four- week course for Parents and Carers, in any role of raising children (0-19) with SEND and/or additional needs. [Click here for more information](#)

Missed immunisations Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT)

Please call **0300 790 0597**

The immunisation team can offer the following catch up vaccines for years 8, 9, 10 & 11 please call them directly to arrange.

- Meningitis A, C, W, Y
- HPV1 & 2
- Diphtheria/Tetanus/Polio

Careers Updates

The CCHS Careers hub micro website is continually being updated with information on all different types of careers and much, much more.

[Please take a look at our Careers Hub Here.](#)

Throughout June and July there are a lot of career focussed events coming up, particularly for our Year 10 students as they begin to think about higher education, further education, work and apprenticeships.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Information and support from your local Jobcentre

Find your nearest [Jobcentre Plus](#), [find a job](#), find information about [Universal Credit](#), [budgeting loan](#), benefits, [free courses](#) and careers advice including; [how to write a CV](#). The general Job Centre Plus phone number is [0800 169 0190](#). It's a free phone number and can be used to check on a benefits application, change your address, complain about a Job Centre or get general advice. <https://www.jobcentrenearne.com/jobcentre/rayleigh-jobcentre-plus/>

Free online resources - Money-saving, waste-preventing, cookery courses

[Click here for FREE Eat Well, Spend Less Booklet](#)

[Food & Fuel](#)

UKHARVEST offer to help you make the most of your food through engaging sessions that are designed to improve your cookery skills, help you make healthy choices, and fight food waste in the home, so you can eat well for less and reduce your environmental impact. From online videos, live cook-alongs and recipes you'll learn small, lasting and effective changes to the way you plan, shop and cook your meals, suitable for any budget. [Click here for more information](#)

