

Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tendring Weekly News



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Year 11 Conclude their Summer Exams

Our Year 11 students officially leave CCHS next week, concluding their five years of secondary education. Many of them sat their final exam today, although a number of students have one further exam next week, which will then bring this year's summer GCSE exams to a conclusion.









Yesterday, when all the Year 11 students were in school for their Physics revision session, they gathered to celebrate their time at CCHS and say goodbye to those off to study elsewhere; most will be continuing their studies in our sixth form next year when they move to our Sigma Sixth College campus.

This will not be the last time that the year group will be together, many of these students will return for the formal Year 11 Prom celebration in a couple of weeks. However, to all of the students in this year group, we wish them the very best for their future endeavours.



Attendance Rewards – Summer Term

This week we celebrated the form groups across the school with the highest number of students achieving 100% attendance for the first-half of the summer term. The top form group in each year group was treated to a Reward Breakfast in our Clouds servery to acknowledge their accomplishments. Well done to 7y6 (Miss Collins), 9x2 (Mr Raza), 10x3 (Mr Wilson) for continuing to be the top attending form in their year groups and congratulations to 8y3 (Mr



Stacey) – pictured above, who managed to move to the top of the 100% attendance leader board in year 8 for last half-term. The attendance incentive aims for all our form groups to work collectively on whole form attendance, those with fantastic attendance actively encourage other form members to follow their example.



How does a Business Actually Work?

To discover how a real business functions thirty of our Sigma Sixth Business Studies students recently spent a day at Thorpe Park in Surrey. Good weather added to a fantastic day of 'Learning on Location' with the students exploring how Thorpe Park operates as a profit-making business. The topic of the day was innovation with students looking at how Thorpe Park is



creative with the products and services it provides. They were set the task to find examples of how Thorpe Park generates additional revenue around the park by researching for evidence that will support the students to fulfil the requirements of the assessed work element of their course. There was also plenty of time for the students to experience a number of the park's famous rides, including Saw, Swarm and Stealth to name a few. A great day was had by all!

Duke of Edinburgh Award – Putting their Map Reading Skills to the Test

As part of our Year 9 broader curriculum offer, a number of students are working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. Having already completed two practise hikes, the fifty students recently undertook their final practice around Great Oakley, Ramsey and Harwich.

Having spent weeks planning their route, and practicing their navigation techniques they



embarked on a five-hour hike, ahead of their final assessment next week. Divided into ten groups, the students set-off from points in Great Oakley and Stour Woods in Wrabness. Hiking through woods and across fields, following designated footpaths, they made their way along their pre-planned routes towards the finish on Dovercourt seafront.







Their outing also included an hour-long stop with a challenge to cook a hot lunch, working as a team within their groups. Prior to starting out, each team decided on their menu

and packed the necessary ingredients, along with camping stoves and cooking pans, to enable them to cook their dishes. The menus were varied, although pasta seemed to be the dish of choice, some opting for spaghetti, fusilli or similar with a sauce, whilst others opted for 'just-add-water' instant pasta or noodle meals; some groups actually cooked a meal for the whole team. Many of the groups spent their day almost entirely on sections of the Essex Way, whilst others, who should have been on the Essex Way, discovered that navigational errors had led to them walking in the wrong direction! After correcting their errors, they all eventually made it to the finish rendezvous, all be it a little later than originally planned, highlighting that they need to actually hike rather than just wander! All of the groups had a fantastic day in the spring sunshine and were glad that the rain stayed away.

Year 12 Expedition Preparation



Next week, a number of our Year 12 Sigma Sixth students embark on their Silver Duke of Edinburgh assessment hike in Thetford Forest. To ensure they are fully prepared and have a roof over their heads for their two nights





under canvas, they spent the afternoon on the grass outside the college, practising how to put up their tents! We hope that the weather stays dry for their two-day expedition.



Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tendring **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

Blazers-Off next week!

Next week the weather forecast is set to continue to be hot and sunny; students will not need to bring blazers to school with them. They are still required to have a school bag and be fully equipped and ready for all of their lessons. If a student wishes to wear something on top of their shirt then this must be their blazer.

Term date reminders

- **Term Dates 2023/2024**
- Thursday 22nd June Summer Showcase
- Tuesday 27th June PE Awards Evening (by invitation)
- Thursday 29th June Year 11 Prom
- Thursday 13th July School Musical Evita Tickets now available
- Friday 14th July School Musical Evita <u>Tickets now available</u>
- Saturday 15th July School Musical Evita Tickets now available
- Friday 21st July End of Term (school finishes after Period 2)

CCHS Summer Showcase - Thursday 22nd June @ 6.00pm

Don't miss our Summer Showcase! 40 students, including Sigma Sixth Students will be performing a variety of musical numbers on the CCHS stage. The previous showcase last Christmas was a sell out, so don't miss out as a limited number of tickets are available. Organised by our talented Year 11 music students - as a super send off before the prom, ensures that this evening, will be an event to remember with performances from soloists and groups. Two of the featured bands will be competing in a Sigma Wide "battle of the bands" in the following week, please come and lend your support! Tickets are now available to purchase and all funds will go towards a Grand Piano for the CCHS hall. Tickets via ParentPay - £5 each



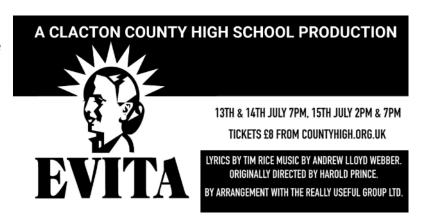
CCHS Summer Musical - Evita

This year's CCHS Summer Musical 'Evita' takes to the school stage from the 13th to 15th July.

- 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.....







Year 7

School reports

Please provide your feedback here! Two versions of Yr. 7 reports please provide your feedback here

Reports are now live on Go4Schools - How to understand the report

View on Go4schools, please find easy to follow guide

Year 8

Very important letter from Mr Martin for all Year 8 parents - regarding student subject choices for Year 9 Click here

"Hola! Una mesa para dos personas, por favor!"

MFL Parent Engagement Evening to join our Spanish in action event for Year 8 students and their parents – Click here to reserve your place Just a few places left!

Letter from Mrs Antigone Margariti explaining more about the evening.

Year 9

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

Letter from Mrs Karen Loosley - Deputy Headteacher

Information re Year 9 Assessments

Just a reminder that the year 9 assessments, which are on Monday (English and maths) and Tuesday (science) next week, will be sat in full exam conditions. Please support and encourage your child with their revision to help them prepare. Students will need to bring with them the following equipment.

- a black pen for all assessments
- for maths only a calculator, ruler, pencil and compass

Year 10

Year 10 Mocks

Letter from Mrs Karen Loosley - Deputy headteacher

Yr 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.

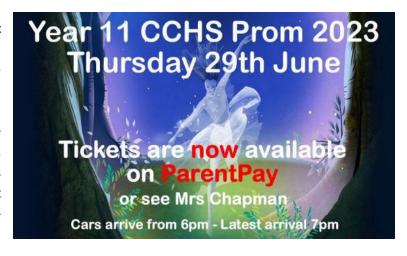
Letter from Mr A Cooke

Year 11

Year 11 Prom

Thursday 29th June, students will start arriving at 6pm for doors to open at 7pm.

Prom is an event in which we celebrate the achievements of the students over the last 5 years. Students have had to attend 10+ revision sessions and complete all exams to be able to buy a ticket. The event will be a fantastic evening, there is a DJ, photographer, ice cream, sweets, popcorn, fizzy drinks etc. Cars will arrive from 6pm and doors will open at 7pm, the hall will be decorated with the theme of Mid-Summer Night. Click here for tickets



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.

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

<u>Yr 11 Examinations</u> - GCSE examinations are coming to an end and we would like to say a huge well done to the vast majority of Year 11 students who have worked hard before the exams. They have now done all that they can and we sincerely wish them well and hope that in August they receive the grades they deserve. Well done Year 11!

• Click here to view the declining timetable

Sixth Form Notices

Year 13 Pizza Party - 23rd June

After the last exam on Friday 23rd June, Year 13 students are invited to attend our leavers Pizza Party which will take place on campus between 12.00-1.30pm. Students will receive a memento of their time at Sigma Sixth and have a chance to say their final farewells.

Safeguarding and Wellbeing



<u>SEND Roadshow – what support is available in Essex?</u> 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

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

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 <u>Jobcentre Plus</u>, <u>find a job</u>, find information about <u>Universal Credit</u>, <u>budgeting loan</u>, benefits, <u>free courses</u> and careers advice including; <u>how to write a CV</u>. The general Job Centre Plus phone number is <u>0800 169 0190</u>. 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. <u>https://www.jobcentrenearme.com/jobcentre/rayleigh-jobcentre-plus/</u>

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



Celebrating Student Success

Attendance Weekly Golden Ticket Awards

100% Attendance prize draw - one student from each form group wins their form's 'Golden Attendance Ticket', allowing them to skip to the front of the Clouds food servery queue on a day of their choice.

Congratulations to.....



Year 7

Kiahna Dockerill, Ava Donaghy, Faith Ellington, Bailey Gilchrist, Reece Goodwin, Evie Hales, Hollie Monks, Connor Mountfield, Lara Predescu, Angel San Jose, Ethan Swift and Leah Tully



Year 8

Andrea Agyiri-Bosuo, Leo Goldstein, Aaron Hobbs, Kaylin Kenvyn-Rains, Millie Lambert, Bae Madden, Joris Matlauskas, Connor Partridge, Lily Powell, Ronnie Scott-Millett and Keira Stevens



Year 9

Rebecca Barnard, Matilda Boughey, Dulcee Buckley, Olivia-Dell Collins, Fraiser Dunn, Connor Griggs, Bradley Howden, Leah Hutchinson, Victoria Mateychuk, Charlie Offord and Harvey Sage



Year 10

Jack Cherry, Mollie Fielder-Jones, Takudzwa Gusha, William Loach, Summer Pirotta, Sam Potter, Harry Prendergast, Savannah Samways, Oliver Stevenson and Zakk Wakley

Weekly Proud Awards

The top students in each year group who attained the most PROUD+ points last week and also had 100% attendance (listed alphabetically) - Each year group winner collects the top prize of an amazing £10 Amazon voucher.



Year 7

Darcy Barnard, Tinashe Chandiwana, George Edwards, Freddie Gallagher, Finley Gooding and Bettsie Sheehan Winner - Tinashe

Year 8

Kristian Antonov, Neave Cassidy, Millie Field, Ruby Gittings, Charlie Kandiah, Leon Moore, Olivia Nundy, Ellie Singers and Vegas White Winner - Leon

Year 9

Scarlett Brooks, Toby Byles, Grace Coles, Callum Goss, Aaliyah Keely, Kornelia Kushnir, Ava Orford, Alex Parker, Abigail Roberts and Ethan Salter

Winner – Ethan

Jaimee Botten, Maximilian Brigden, Fraser Day, Lexi Glander, Zophia McClymont, Rose Parker, Tilley Randell, Rhianna Reeve, Kieran-John Streeter, Callum Walker and Benjamin White

Winner – Ben