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Year 10 Opt-in to Futures Week: A Glimpse into the World of Work

Last week, our Year 10 students took the opportunity to step away from their usual lessons to dive headfirst into the world of work. This immersive “Futures Week” was designed to give them invaluable insights into the diverse career paths and workplaces they’re ultimately preparing for. Students had the opportunity to visit various workplaces, learning first-hand about different industries and observing how professional environments operate. These special experiences included an NHS experience at Colchester Institute and Bartech Marine Engineering, a Colchester based engineering company that service and maintain engines and power generators across the world; predominately marine based engines in cargo ships and cruise liners but also land based generator sets in Africa.



Beyond the organised visits, every Year 10 student also had the chance to undertake work shadowing for several days. We were thrilled to see over two-hundred home-organised work shadowing experiences take place, covering an incredibly diverse range of careers. For those who couldn’t be on-site, or simply wanted to broaden their horizons, students engaged



with our virtual careers offer, focusing on careers advice and essential employment skills. We are indebted to all the companies who generously opened their doors and allowed our students to visit their workplaces. We hope that the opportunities offered to our Year 10 students during the CCHS Futures Week, has helped them gain a



true sense of a work-life experience. As they transition into Year 11, we will continue to provide a full range of careers education, information, advice, guidance, and support. This ongoing assistance will be available to help them to make well-informed choices about their post-16 destinations, connecting them with a range of exciting opportunities and events.

Year 10 Students Get a Taste of Sixth Form Life at Sigma Sixth!

As part of ‘Futures Week, a number of Year 10 students also had the exciting opportunity to spend a day at our sixth form college for a Sigma Sixth experience day. This special event offered them an ideal chance to visit our sixth form campus and truly grasp what Key Stage 5 study entails. Throughout the day, they immersed themselves in a variety of taster lessons, explored the fantastic facilities at our Sigma Sixth College, and became sixth form students for the day. It was a valuable insight into their potential next steps after their GCSE exams next year. We hoped it helped them start thinking about their exciting future! For more information on our Sigma Sixth Tending sixth form, please visit our [sixth form website](#).



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Year 11 Leave School in Style



Last week was a truly memorable one for our Year 11 students as they celebrated the end of their secondary education at CCHS with their much-anticipated Prom! The evening was a spectacular send-off, filled with glamour and fun. They arrived in style, stepping out in front of a cheering crowd from a diverse array of vehicles. We saw the usual suspects like sports cars and stretch limousines, but some students opted for more unique modes of transport, including a motorbike, stunning classic cars, a traditional horse and carriage, and, mobility scooter! Talk about making an impression!



The evening itself was nothing short of amazing, providing a fitting farewell to their high school years. Beyond the traditional disco, organised by our Clouds Radio production team, the entertainment was elevated by a fantastic performance from one of our talented school bands, showcasing the incredible musical talent within CCHS.



Congratulations to Tamer and Faith, who were crowned as the Prom King and Queen 2025. While many of our Year 11 students will be continuing their journey with us by joining the CCHS sixth form, Sigma Sixth, in September, we want to extend our very best wishes to each and every one of them for their future studies.



Our Year 11 cohort are a true credit to the school, their families, and themselves. We look forward to seeing them all on results day, Thursday, 21st August. Having worked so incredibly hard, we hope that they are rewarded with the grades they so richly deserve.



[There are more Prom photos to view on the CCHS Photo webpage](#)



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Sixth Form Sports Studies Cycling Experience



Year 12 Sports Studies students recently swapped the classroom for a day at the London Velodrome, as part of their Outdoor Adventurous Activities Unit of study. After a tour of the iconic London Olympic Track Cycling venue, it was their turn to hit the track – and it proved to be a real challenge! Riding track bikes is no easy feat. With no gears and a fixed drive, constantly pedalling is a must. The 42-degree banked turn at either end proved to be a true test of courage – slowing down on the bends meant a slippery, painful slide down the bank for some! While a number of students eventually mastered riding high on the turn, everyone gave it their all.



Next up was the BMX track, rebuilt for amateur use after the London 2012. Students eagerly attempted each challenging section before being let loose on the whole circuit. After two hours of virtually non-stop cycling, many were more than ready for a well-deserved rest! A great day was had by all and the different cycling experiences will be valuable as part of the coursework components that the students will be completing next term.

Beach Volleyball a hit with students

Students committed to our volleyball club this year enjoyed a fantastic afternoon putting their skills to the test on the Martello Beach Volleyball court! They tackled a variety of challenges not possible in our sports hall before enjoying their own beach volleyball match. Our Year 7 and Year 9 girls who participated had a brilliant time "learning on location."



The Last Week of the Academic Year

We're down to the last week of the summer term, marking the conclusion of the 2024-2025 academic year and signifying the start of the six-week summer holiday. **School finishes on Friday 18th, July after Period 2 at 12.00noon.**

Please note: Clouds Restaurant will only be open at break time next Friday for a Grab 'n' Go service. Students in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM) should obtain their meal during the morning break.

NB. Chicken & Chips will be served on Thursday next week.

The last day of term will be a non-uniform day in aid of charity. To participate in the non-uniform day, we are requesting a minimum donation of £1 in support of our chosen charity, Parkinson's UK. You can conveniently make your donation through Arbor (school shop products) or your child can bring £1 to give to their form tutor on the day. Your generosity will directly contribute to a worthy cause.



Celebrating Student Success

Attendance Weekly Golden Ticket Awards – Data from the final week of the Autumn Term

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

Congratulations to.....



Year 7

Rosie Bailey, Alfie Butler, Archie, Harry Clarke, Frankie, Riley Jones, Ollie Lefevre, Neha Noby, Tommy Phillips, Sam, Jack Westbrook and Lacey Winslett



Year 8

Samuel Broad, Millie Crouch, Connor Evans, Abigail Feighery, Leo Garner, Rylee Morris, Harry Pearce, Jessica Purdy, Lillie Reed, Teyanna Schofield, Dulcie Tayler and Ethan Wilson



Year 9

April, Marissa Arber, Sophie Baird, Ellie Bowman, Charlie Clawson-Roberts, Harry Hodgson, Sophie Lee, Andy Lin, Arkadi Olkhovsky, Maggie Parish, Lacey and Charlie



Year 10

Chloe Abraham, Summer Jenkins, Oakley Kerridge, Millie Lambert, Daniel Xi Lin Ma, Ellis Pearson, Shaneka Sawyer, Kai Sneddon, Jack Swinbourne, Tilly-Jane Tomkins and Caiden Wright

Weekly Proud Awards

The top students in each year group who attained the most PROUD+ points earnt during the final week of last term and also had 100% attendance (listed alphabetically) – Each year group winner collects the top prize of an amazing £5 Amazon voucher.



Year 7

Erin Barnes, Savannah Barratt, Tianna Beevor, Tyler Brooker, Oliver Cole, Faith Docherty, Millie Franklin, Poppy Pryor, Benjamin and Dulcie Westbrook

Winner – Millie

Year 8

Winner – Olivia Blyth-Rochell

Year 9

Taylor Clarke, Drew Davies, Jason Eversden, Tosheema Mihindukulasooriya, Mollie Palmer, Jessica Reader and Erin Stevenson

Winner – Mollie

Year 10

Ryan Aldis, Naledi Kimberly Mabhena, Joris Matlauskas, Joanna Nyautore, Sara Paul Saravanan, Archie Russell, Coby Smith and Aydin Yavuz

Winner – Joris