



# Clacton County High School

## Sigma Sixth Tending

### Notices and Letters



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The weekly Notices & Letters is a 'one-stop shop' for home/school written communications and information. Please take the time to check through this mailing, particularly for your child's individual year group, there could be some very important information for you to be aware of.

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#### **Whole School Notices**

**CCHS Christmas dinner – Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

#### **Pre-ordering and Pre-payment is required**

This year's CCHS Christmas lunch will be served on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December. Clouds restaurant will be serving the traditional turkey dinner and dessert, with a vegetarian alternative, for £3.50 (students in receipt of free school meals will not need to pre order or pay). View the menu [here](#). 'Grab 'n' Go' options will be available for students wanting an alternative; the break time menu will remain unchanged.



Christmas dinner days will be split into two sittings 12.00pm – 12.40pm and 1.15pm – 1.55pm. **Please order your child's Christmas dinner/s in Arbor under the School Shop tab.** *You are not limited to only one day.* For morning break there will be only one whole school break at 10.20am – 10.40am.

#### **Chromebook Hire for Years 10 and 11**

We have a small number of Chromebooks available for KS4 students who are without electronic devices to work on at home. These are to support students with their coursework, catch up and revision. Please contact Mr Lawrie to enquire about obtaining one by emailing [admin@cchs.school](mailto:admin@cchs.school). A refundable deposit of £25, paid through Arbor Pay is required. If you are in receipt of free school meals or require financial support, please contact Mr Lawrie to discuss the deposit further. The Chromebook will need to be returned at the end of each academic year. The loaning of the Chromebook is subject to availability and student record.

#### **Whole School Letters**

[Flu vaccines – all years](#)

#### **Dates for Your Diary**

- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Careers Fair at CCHS
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Deadline for Donations to the Holly Court Appeal
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch @ CCHS (see above)
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Last day of term; students will be dismissed after Period 2



## Year 7

### Advance notice:

Year 7 exam week - w/b 20th May 2024  
Year 7 Parents Evening' - Thurs 4th July 2024

## Year 8

### Advance notice:

Year 8 exam week - w/b 18th March 2024  
Year 8 Parents' Evening - Thurs 2nd May 2024

## Year 9

### Advance notice:

Year 9 exam week - w/b 22nd January 2024  
Year 9 Parents' Evening and Options Evening - Thurs 7th March 2024

## Year 10

### Advance notice:

Year 10 Parents' Evening and revision support - Thurs 18th January 2024  
Year 10 exam week - w/b 17th June 2024

## Year 11

### Mock Results – Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Year 11 students will be given their recent mock exam results in a “mock results envelope” on Friday, 8th December (results can also be viewed via the Arbor app). Alongside this they will also receive their most recent report, which will contain their professional predicted grade (PPG - the grade teachers think they will achieve if they carry on working at their current rate) and their attitude to learning descriptor as well as an area of strength and an area for development. Those students who have completed an application to Sigma Sixth Tending will also receive a conditional offer letter or an invitation to attend an interview to discuss subject selections. Any year 11 student, who has not yet completed an application, can use this [link](#). Students who have completed an application before Wednesday, 6th December will receive a response during the mock results day.

If students are disappointed with their PPG, there is still time to improve this. Students should always talk to their teachers for advice and guidance, but they should also be ready to commit to their studies. Exam preparation and a focus on their future goals and aspirations, will make the difference.

Please encourage your child to attend all revision sessions, work hard in all their lessons and practice exam questions at home and make the most of all the support offered by their teachers. The number one take-away: ***“Hard work always pays off”***.

### Planning ahead for Prom – Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024

#### Year 11 Prom Dress ‘Hire’

Next year’s end of school prom for Year 11 is scheduled for Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Over the past number of years, Miss Townsend has coordinated a school prom ‘shop’, in which students can ‘hire’ a dress free of charge. We have approximately ninety new and pre-loved prom dresses available to borrow; many of which have never been worn at a prom before and have been donated by high street boutiques, some still with price tags still on. If you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity, please contact the Year 11 team by emailing [admin@cchs.school](mailto:admin@cchs.school) to arrange a viewing of the dresses. Also, if you have a dress or suit which you feel would be suitable to donate, this also would be greatly appreciated; again, please contact us using the email address above.

**The Stanway School Colchester** are offering a “Say Yes to the Prom Dress” event in January 2024 in the hope to save families time, stress and money with the build up to Prom, making it accessible to all that want to celebrate the end of their school days. Please click [here](#) for more information

### Advance notice:

Year 11 Parents' Evening and revision support - Thurs 11th January 2024

## Sixth Form Notices

### Year 13 - UCAS update:

Help is available from Mrs Read or Mr Dale at any time, or through the UCAS application classroom.

## Careers – All years

### Careers Fair – Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> December Years 8 -11

On Thursday, December 14th we will be holding our annual Careers Fair across the whole day. We have invited a variety of local and national employers, along with representatives from a selection of Further and Higher Education providers to chat with the students about the vast array of opportunities and career choices that could be available to them once they finish in education.

Year groups 8-11 will be given the opportunity to visit the fair during the day and spend time exploring the options that could be available to them, ask questions, gain insight and gather information. This is a great opportunity for them to begin thinking about the path they would like to take and to begin considering the ways that they would get there.

Further information will be given to the students before and on the day in preparation for them to engage with the visitors and gain information for the future. We are always looking to form further and new links with industry professionals in all walks of life, so if this is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact the school.

## Community Notices

### Christmas Day dinner at CCHS in conjunction with The Rotary Club of Clacton

Christmas Day; Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> December @ 11.30am for a 12.30 start and is predominantly aimed for the elderly and the lonely.

[Click here for more information](#)

### [Christmas day breakfast at Bluebirds Café Clacton](#)

Free bacon roll, soup and hot drink offered to anyone who wants company on Christmas morning Bluebirds, 114 Pier Avenue (next to Aldi)

### Volunteer Police Cadet Recruitment

Volunteer Police Cadets is an organisation that runs nationally and all over Essex, it gets young people aged 13-18 learning about the police, doing various activities and helping the local community. It allows young people to ask questions about the police, volunteer at various major events throughout the year and be part of a fun organisation.

Anyone aged between 13-18 can join, and it allows young people to gain additional skills such as public speaking, discipline, learning drill and doing more exciting activities such as: Duke of Edinburgh, summer camp, mountain climbing and white-water rafting.

They are soon to hold an open evening which will be invite only for those students who have expressed an interest in joining by visiting their [website](#) and filled in the application of interest.



## Safeguarding, SEND and Wellbeing

### Essex SEND Roadshows - [Click here for more information](#)

#### Who the roadshows can help

These are in person events for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. You do not need any diagnosis to come and get help at a roadshow.

Dates and locations of the Essex Local Offer Roadshows for the Spring term:

- Monday 4 March – South Essex - The Holiday Inn - Basildon
- Thursday 7 March – Mid Essex – The Hamptons – Chelmsford
- Wednesday 13 March – NE Essex – Colchester Football Stadium
- Tuesday 19 March – West Essex – The Harlow Hotel

