



## Dates for Your Diary

### **This month**

- Tuesday 30th January – Deadline to return year 9 immunisation form

### **Next month**

- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February - Year 9 Vaccinations for Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis Vaccinations
- Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February - Jack Petchey “Speak Out” Challenge Year 10 only
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February - Spring half term break
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February - Non-pupil day; staff training day
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Year 11 Mock Exams start
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February - Year 12 & 13 Parents’ Evening

### **Later**

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Year 9 Parents’ Evening and Options
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Start of Sigma Sixth Summer Exams
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Year 8 Parents’ Evening
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Start of Year 11 Summer Exams
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Year 7 Parents’ Evening

## **Year 7**

### **Advance notice:**

Year 7 assessment week - w/b Monday 20th May 2024

Year 7 Parents’ Evening - Thursday 4th July 2024

## **Year 8**

### **Advance notice:**

Year 8 assessment week - w/b Monday 18th March 2024

Year 8 Parents’ Evening – Thursday 2nd May 2024

## **Year 9**

**Year 9 Immunisations - Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis - Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February.**

Completed consent forms need to be returned to school no later than Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Forms can be dropped off at the main office or given to form tutors. If you have not received a consent form please contact us via [admin@cchs.school](mailto:admin@cchs.school) or on 01255 424266

### **Advance notice:**

Year 9 Parents’ Evening and Options Evening - Thursday 7th March 2024.

## **Year 10**

**Year 10 Work Experience Preparation Meeting – Virtual meeting -Thursday 1st February at 4:30pm**

As part of futures week in July, Year 10 will be completing a combination of work shadowing and experiences of work places for three days (Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July -Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July).

Join us virtually on Thursday 1st February at 4:30pm to learn about what students need to do and how to support your child finding their placement. – Click [here](#) for full information

## **Year 11**

**Prom 2024 – Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June – please click [here](#) for Passport to Prom details**

**Reminder:** Students must attend every exam and meet other criteria to be eligible for Prom.

### **Mock Exams**

The second round of Year 11 Mock Exams will start Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February – the timetable for these exams will soon be published and shared.

### **Revision guides**

The following revision guides are available for purchase on Arbor under the School Shop tab once the guide has been paid for, students can collect them from their subject teacher:

- Maths, Science, English Language, Geography, Computer Science, Spanish, Physical Education

## Sixth Form Notices

**Report from Head of College - Mrs S McKarry** please click [here](#) to read  
**Year 12 & 13 Parents' Evening** – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – more information to follow  
**Summer exam timetable can be viewed** [here](#)

## Careers – All years

### **SAVE THE DATE - National Apprenticeship Week 2024 - Monday, 5th February 2024**

This year's theme is "Skills for Life".

National Apprenticeship Week 2024 is fast approaching. The event takes place from 5th - 11th February.

We have some exciting events at Sigma Sixth, including visits from local and national employers to discuss the opportunities available to our students for apprenticeships from intermediate to degree level. Live webinars, Q&A sessions, Quizzes, and workshops which are designed to equip our students with the tools they need to find and secure an apprenticeship in their chosen field.

We will be publishing a full timetable of events soon.

### **CCHS Alumni**

We are continuing with our reach-out to Alumni and now have received responses from 28 ex-students. Thank you to everyone who has got in touch with us so far. We will soon be contacting everyone to tap into their knowledge and expertise on their current careers to inspire our students and encourage them to think about their futures and where their careers and life could take them.

If you are aware of anyone whom you think might also be interested in this initiative or if you are an ex-student who would like to join, please send contact details to [admin@cchs.school](mailto:admin@cchs.school)

## Safeguarding, SEND and Wellbeing

**Developing Resilience and Wellbeing** - Free four-week course for Parents/Carers of children (0-19)  
**Starts Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> March (Jaywick)** Please click [here](#) for more information from InterAct; Other training offered can be viewed [here](#).

### **InterAct – Support for Families**

InterAct is entirely centred around the needs of young people and listening to what they want to do and making that happen. They have trained support workers who take young people on trips and activities in holiday programmes and clubs. Wherever there is a need for their provision they do their best to meet those needs and rise to the challenge. See their latest activity programmes [here](#). You will be required to complete an [activity registration form](#)

InterAct staff are happy to meet parents and carers in any convenient format such as online or a coffee morning. [Contact InterAct](#)

## Community Notices

### **[What's on in Colchester and Ipswich Museums](#)**

#### **Advance Teacher Training – Join the September 2024 cohort**

Are you interested in becoming a teacher? Do you have a degree?

Next drop-in coffee morning to find out more is being held between **10am-12noon** on: Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup>@ The Stanway School, Winstree Road, Colchester, CO3 0QA

#### **[Career Opportunities at CCHS](#)**

This week there are positions available:

##### ***Teaching Vacancies***

*Teacher of Criminology & Psychology at KS5*

*Science subject teacher with TLR*

*Teacher of Art & Photography*

##### ***Support Staff Vacancies***

*Assistant STOP Supervisor*

*Finance Administrator*

Click [here](#) for further information