



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

Skateboards

Please note that if skateboards are brought on to the school site, then they are to be stored in the bike sheds for the duration of the school day. They must be secured with cable locks; it is also important to note that they are left there at the owner's own risk.

Planning ahead for September 2024 - Uniform & Equipment

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

SCHOOL TIES - Please note the stripe colour for ties from September 2024. Year groups will carry their current tie through to next year. The current Year 11 tie will rotate back to the new Year 7s.

Year Group	2023/24 (current year)	2024/25 (next year)
Year 7	Purple stripe	Yellow stripe
Year 8	Light blue stripe	Purple stripe
Year 9	Red stripe	Light blue stripe
Year 10	Plain Tie (no stripe)	Red stripe
Year 11	Yellow stripe	Plain Tie (no stripe)

THE CCHS SUMMER MUSICAL 2024 Billy Elliot

[Click here to purchase TICKETS](#)

Early bird tickets are £8 until 7th June

General admission tickets £10 from 7th June

Showings:

- Thursday, 11th July - 7pm performance
- Friday, 12th July - 7pm performance
- Saturday, 13th July - 2pm and 7pm performances



Whole School Letters

No whole school letters this week

Dates for Your Diary

This month

- Monday 20th May - Year 7 Start of Assessment week
- Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May Half Term Holiday

Later

- Monday 3rd June – Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
- Tuesday 4th June – Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
- Wednesday 11th June – Year 12 Pathways Week
- Monday 17th June Start of Year 10 Mocks
- Thursday 20th June – PROM

Year 7

Advance notice:

- Year 7 Assessment Week - w/b Monday 20th May 2024
In the week starting Monday, 20th May our Year 7 students will sit a series of assessments in a range of subjects. The purpose of these assessments is to provide students with an exam experience so that as they progress through school towards their final year 11 examinations, they are ready and prepared and do not feel so daunted by the prospect. The Year 7 exams will:
 - Provide our students with insight into what it will feel like sitting exams within a specific time limit
 - Provide our students with revision strategies to prepare for assessments
 - For students who would not normally engage with revision, provide time for preparation through independent study sessions
 - Provide assessment data to give students feedback on their strengths and areas for improvement
- Year 7 Parents' Evening - Thursday 4th July 2024

Year 8

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations - Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th June 2024

Please see here a [Letter](#) from the Community and School Aged Immunisation Service. Please complete the [consent form](#).

If you have any questions please call the Immunisation team directly on 0300 7900597 – option 1

Year 9

No notices specifically for year 9 this week.

Year 10

Year 10 Mocks – Commencing Monday, 17th June

Please read this important [letter](#) from Deputy Headteacher – Mrs K Loosley

Mock exams replicate exam conditions providing a glimpse into the pressure, time constraints and atmosphere of the actual GCSEs. Mocks won't affect final GCSE scores but they are still important because they identify areas of the subject students may need to work on. They are an excellent self-awareness tool for students as well as giving teachers a clearer idea of where students are in their learning.

Year 10 one-to-one career interviews - Julie Settle Outreach and Work Experience Coordinator

Career interviews have been taking place recently and will continue for the next few weeks. The purpose of these interviews is to offer career information and guidance to help students with their future ideas and aspirations. Please support your young person to be prepared for this by visiting the [CCHS Careers Hub](#) where you will find links to helpful resources.

Year 11

Year 11 Exams

Year 11 exams are in full flow and will continue until June 20th finishing with the Hospitality and Catering exam on Prom day! We are very PROUD of the way our students have conducted themselves so far and look forward to celebrating with them their successes on results day on Thursday, 22nd August.

In the meantime, I would like to remind all of our families that if your child is unwell, they should attend their exam and make the Exams Officer aware they are unwell. Following the exam the school will then be able to inform the exam board for them to take this into consideration.

Please can you check carefully with your child that they understand the [Late to Exam protocol](#) and have all the equipment they need for each exam as detailed below:

- Black biro x 2
- Pencil, ruler and rubber
- Highlighter pen for subjects such as English, History, Geography, RE
- Scientific calculator for Maths, Science and Geography papers

If you require any additional information or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Loosley via admin@cchs.school and she will get back to you as soon as possible.

Year 11 Exams 2024 – Independent study sessions home or school – Please book slots

After half-term, i.e. from Monday, 3rd June until the last day of your child's exams, students will have the opportunity to work independently at home, but **ONLY if they do not have a scheduled revision session or an exam at school**. If you would prefer your child to work independently in school rather than at home (after 3rd June) please complete this [google](#) form to [book the supervised study slots](#).

*Please note if your child has a scheduled revision session on their timetable they must attend school; attendance is not optional.

GCSE/BTEC exams for our current Year 11s began on Tuesday, 7th May until Friday, 24th May (end of half term) All Year 11 students are expected to be in school attending normal lessons, scheduled revision sessions, or sitting exams. Any unauthorised absences during these next few weeks leading towards the end of half term will impact upon the 95% or above attendance required to ensure attendance to the school Prom on 20th June.

Exam resources

[Year 11 Exam Timetable](#)

[Exam Booklet](#)

[Further exam information](#)

Year 11 Prom - Thursday, 20th June 2024 – Hollywood Glamour

Parents may already be considering transport arrangements for the evening and the following information will help with your planning:

- Students will start arriving at 6pm for doors to open at 7pm
- Prom group photo will be taken at 7pm
- Cars to arrive from 6pm

Please click [here](#) for Passport to Prom details

Tickets will be £10 and will be available shortly. The theme for this year's Prom is Hollywood Glamour!

Prom Dress Event – North East Essex Support Team Sunday, 19th May, 09.30am until 1.30 pm

[Please do not get into debt for your children's prom](#)

Gt Clacton Community Centre 16-26 Valley Rd Clacton, CO15 4AR

Hundreds of Prom dresses of all sizes, suits, shoes, and accessories COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE

Not hired, Not sold, Not lent, not borrowed yours to keep! No forms, NO questions No Judgements, does not matter if on benefits or employed.

- We do ask that all young people picking dresses are accompanied by adults.
- Likewise, all adults choosing are accompanied by their children.
- One outfit per person.

We are so looking forward to seeing you, you absolutely will be made very welcome, our aim is that the whole family really enjoy this experience.

Sixth Form Notices

Advance notice:

Year 12 Post 18 Pathways Week 2024 – Tuesday, 11th June – Friday, 14th June

Pathways Week provides a range of activities designed to support and inform students with post-18 choices. These will include information and guidance regarding higher education, apprenticeships, business skills, preparing for interviews, and the world of work. The week will include a huge amount of information that will be of benefit to all year 12 students regardless of their future pathway and forms an essential component of their sixth form education.

Click here to view a [letter](#) from Mrs Amanda Read – Careers and Destinations

Sixth form Summer exam timetable can be viewed [here](#)

Careers – All years

Year 13 Careers Information and Guidance - from Mrs. A Read - Careers Adviser & Year Manager 6th Form
Information on UCAS Applications, Student Finance, Apprenticeships/Employment/Alternative options, Extra/Super Curricular Activities, and Future Support can all be found [here](#)

Safeguarding, SEND, and Wellbeing

THE PUPIL VOICE SAFEGUARDING APP

tootoot supports children to report their worries confidentially without the concerns some of them have around confidence talking to a member of staff face to face. This tool has been in place since September 2023. Tootoot is a safe, secure, and diverse web-based safeguarding tool, that allows young people of all age ranges to report any concerns or issues that may worry them in an anonymous, confidential, and discreet manner. [Click here for more information](#)



The Essex Carers Network is pleased to be hosting their 'A Place To Call Home' Conference on Tuesday 21st May online via Zoom. This event is aimed primarily at families caring for a family member with a learning disability. Staff who support those families may also find the event useful. Click [here](#) for more information

Tendring Families First

Tendring Families First is a local charity providing support helping hundreds of families struggling with multiple complex issues including poverty, family breakdown, isolation, mental health and behavioural challenges. Click [here](#) for more information on how they can help.

Extra

EXTRA – Support for Families (EXTRA) will help anyone caring for children in the Tendring district to meet the challenges of parenting. They offer local opportunities for parents/carers to meet at workshops, informal parent peer support groups, and a range of programmes and courses. Click [here](#) for more information on how they can help.

Community Notices



Clacton Pier – Jurassic Half Term Saturday, 25th May – Sunday, 2nd June Meet life-sized Dinosaurs roaming. It will be 1 year since the launch of their Jurassic Pier attraction in May so no better way to celebrate than with a whole week full of prehistoric goodness 25th May - 2nd June.

Career Opportunities at CCHS

This week there are new positions available: Click [here](#) for further information