



Clacton County High School

Sigma Sixth Tending

Notices and Letters



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Please take the time to check through this mailing, particularly for your child's individual year group as there could be some important information for you to be aware of.

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Whole School Notices

Reminders

Becoming unwell at school

Students who are unwell during the school day must report to the first aid room during break or lunchtimes only. If there is a medical emergency during lesson time, the class teacher will alert the 'on call' first aiders. The first aider will contact home if there are concerns about the child's ability to continue with their school day and/or in the case of serious illness or injury. **Students should not contact parents directly to collect them if they feel unwell**; they must report to the first aid room and a staff member will make the appropriate arrangements.

Student appointments and absence reporting can be made via email absence@cchs.school

Medical or similar appointments for your child should, wherever possible, be made outside of school hours. If this is not possible, an email should be sent in advance to absence@cchs.school. Students who need to sign out during the school day must sign out at attendance and they will be provided with a 'Permission to be out of School' slip. They must sign back into school at the attendance office upon their return. This is vital for safeguarding purposes. **Please give your child a note, to help them, and the class teacher, remember the appointment.**

Too unwell to attend

If your child is too unwell to attend school, please email absence@cchs.school before 8.45am. Please refer to the CCHS website for further information on reporting student absence - [Click here](#)

Whole School Letters

No whole school letters this week

Dates for Your Diary

- Wednesday 5th February – Year 9 Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis Vaccinations
- Thursday 6th February - Year 9 Parent and Subject Options Evening
- Monday 17th to Friday 21st February – Spring half term break
- Monday 24th February – Non-pupil day

Year 7

An overview of the year 7 curriculum can be seen [here](#)

Year 8

An overview of the year 8 curriculum can be seen [here](#)

Year 9

Year 9 Parent and Subject Options evening - Thursday, 6th February

Please book your parent evening slots

Please use [this link](#) to book your face-to-face appointments for English, Mathematics and Science. The teachers of other subjects will be available, without appointments, allowing you to speak with them and hear how each course is taught and assessed in Years 10 and 11. The purpose of this evening is to enable you and your child to make informed choices for KS4. Should you wish to discuss your child's progress or behaviour in a specific subject please arrange a phone call or email at another time by contacting admin@CCHS.school

Deadline for student options - Monday, 24th February

All year 9 students will have received an email containing a link to a Google form to make their option choices, this must be completed by Monday, 24th February. Students can make changes right up until the deadline date themselves simply by using the emailed receipt, received after completing their form. The email is sent to the student's own school email account and the link can only be accessed from there.

All parents and carers of year 9 students should have received a Pathways letter from Mr A. Martin – Assistant Headteacher. If you are not in receipt of this letter please contact the school via admin@cchs.school

Year 9 is a very important year in education as students will choose the subjects they will study in Year 10 and Year 11 (Options). Furthermore, these choices can influence the direction your child takes in the future.

Your consent required

Year 9 Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis Vaccinations - Wednesday, 5th February

Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio (DTP) booster & Meningitis ACWY immunisation for Year 9 students to be held at the school on Wednesday, 5th February 2025. The deadline for parents/carers to complete the [consent](#) for the vaccination is 03/02/2025. An email was sent to all Year 9 parents and carers on 15/01/2025. If you did not receive this email please contact us via admin@cchs.school

The school, in this instance, acts as a venue and does not hold a list of consents or immunisation records, therefore please refer all questions to the immunisation team on 0300 790 0597.

An overview of the year 9 curriculum can be seen [here](#)

Year 10

Advance notice – Year 10 Parent evening and “How to help your child revise” Thursday, 3rd April

An overview of the year 10 curriculum can be seen [here](#)

Year 11

Year 11 Mock Examinations – Friday, 14th February – Monday, 3rd March

[Letter](#) from Deputy Headteacher Mrs K Loosley

SAVE THE DATE - Prom - Thursday, 3rd July 2025

What is a Passport to Prom?

The Passport to Prom is an incentive for our Year 11 students to attend as many revision sessions as possible and maintain excellent school attendance in the final push towards their exams. It is an annual event for Year 11 students and this year our students have already made an excellent effort to attend the revision sessions offered.

What criteria do students need to meet?

Students need to opt in by: attending a minimum of five maths, five English and five science revision sessions; attending at least ten other subject sessions of their choice; achieving a 95% attendance record or higher from the start of January through to their exams and completing three quality pieces of homework per week. As an additional incentive, students who complete thirty-five revision sessions or more will be entered into a prize draw for some great Prom themed prizes.

What does the Passport look like?

[Click here / Passport to Prom](#)

What can I do to help?

Parental support is so important in ensuring success and we know our parents are equally supportive of the school. Please encourage your child to make the most of the help available to achieve the best possible grades they can.

What help is available?

CCHS staff are extremely dedicated and are always willing to go the extra mile for their students. As we move closer to the exams, most subject areas will provide after-school revision sessions, and additional support during holidays and even at weekends. Students should contact their subject teachers to find out more details on the times and dates of any additional sessions, as well as consulting the [Year 11 weekly revision timetable](#).

NB. By invitation only, a number of Exam Revision and Catch-Up Sessions will be taking place during the February Half-Term and Easter Holidays – where possible, please avoid booking holidays for exam students during these periods, up until the final day of the exams, including the **Wednesday, 25th June 2025.*

Exam contingency days – Wednesday, 25th June 2025

Some of our families will be hoping to plan and book holidays for summer 2025, however, it is important to note that Wednesday, 25th June 2025 is a contingency day set by Ofqual. This means that all exam candidates must be available to sit exams from the date of their first exam until, and including Wednesday, 25th June 2025. This decision is not a school decision and does apply to all candidates, in all schools, we thank you for your understanding. Contingency days are designed to be used in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations. Please find [here](#) the Year 11 Summer Examinations Timetable 2025.

An overview of the year 11 curriculum can be seen [here](#)

Sixth Form Notices

Advance notice – Year 12/13 Parent evening Thursday, 27th February

Careers Guidance Updates

[Unifrog](#) “Helping students find their future”

What your child needs to do and when – a timeline for UK university applications click [here](#) for more information.



Safeguarding, SEND, and Wellbeing

Shorefields – Cake and Chatter

Shorefields special needs school coffee mornings. All SEN parents and carers are welcome! Please click [here](#) for more information and dates. Any questions or queries please feel free to get in touch either via email admin@shorefields.essex.sch.uk or through the school office on 01255 424412

Support Your Teen's Journey – ACL Free online courses

Are you looking for ways to help your teen navigate the challenges of adolescence? Click [here](#) for more information. Courses include: The Teenage Brain, Understanding Teens and Understanding Teenage Anxiety

Community Notices

Cinderella Pantomime - Clacton Musical Theatre Society - performing at West Cliff Theatre Clacton

Shows times: Friday, 31st Jan 19.30 / Saturday, 1st Feb 13.00 and 17.00 / Sunday, 2nd Feb 13.00

By attending, not only will you enjoy an unforgettable event at the theatre, but you'll also be supporting a local charity that continues to bring joy and opportunity to our community.

You can book tickets by visiting their website <https://www.westcliffclacton.co.uk/localtalent/cinderella-cmts/> or by calling the box office.

Career Opportunities

Considering a Career in Teaching?

Advance Teacher Training (ATT) work with many schools across Essex and Suffolk to deliver teacher training. They have training bases in Clacton and Colchester with schools in Tendring, Colchester, Braintree and surrounding areas. With over 20 years of experience of delivering teacher training, they offer knowledgeable trainers, excellent facilities and personalised support. By joining Advance Teacher Training you will gain experience in primary or secondary phases including Post-16.

Discover more at the next Advance Teacher Training drop-in open event on Thursday 3rd April, 6pm to 7.30pm at the Tendring Education Centre, Jaywick Lane. Clacton on Sea CO16 8BE.

Follow the [link](#) for additional information

Career Opportunities at CCHS

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