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# Newsletter

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Another busy term is ending with the usual exciting Christmas school events which our new students are discovering. The House activities are always a way to balance the pressures of academic study with fun and informal activities; the recent karaoke competitions were no exception. Mr. Jewitt co-ordinated yet another superb Christmas Concert which formally began Christmas; Mrs. Saunders and her team hung our traditional Christmas decorations in the hall, giving a fitting seasonal feeling. Every year she encourages her students to create Christmas cards. Designs are then selected for the School Christmas card sent out to our governors, partners and contacts; this year the selected designs had been drawn by Lucy Peckham (11H), Sindguja Jothimurugam (9G), Sarannga Vanniasegaram (9S) and Sophie Broddle (9C): thank you and congratulations to those students!

This term our new teachers settled in well and some of them have joined in with the spirit of our House system rather well. We have no staff changes to announce for the start of next term.





## Message from the Headteacher

We have been very impressed with the way new parents have begun to participate in the Parents' Association activities. Those of you who attended the Christmas Concert and the Christmas Fair will not have failed to notice a new Parents' Choir; they call themselves 'Polyphony'. Parents have also volunteered their time to work with Dr. Noble and students to review our uniform and plan the changes to be introduced from September 2010. The preferred supplier has been appointed: they are Simmonds, based in Kent but planning to organise regular sales in school as well as having an on-line ordering system. As soon as we have a final sample of the new uniform you will be informed and photos will be placed on our website. Arriving at a final choice has taken many hours of work and I should like to thank Dr Noble, parents and girls for their involvement.

### **Value Added**

We were notified recently that our school value-added figures for this year were: KS2 to KS4: **995.8** down from 1000.2 last year but still within a confidence range 982.2 to 1009.4. For A Level the figure was **1027**, 1 up from 1024.7 last year, within a confidence range 1013.5 to 1040.6. These figures compare with 1000.2 and 1024.7 in 2008. Schools are not provided with the exact formula which DCSF use to arrive at the figures but we are told that they are not comparable from one year to the next! We have so far been able to compare them only with the top twenty performing selective girls' schools; our figures are low, as expected, for GCSE but the highest of all those schools for A Level.

### **Star Talents Awards & Recognition**

I am pleased that we were represented again this year by Laura Hynard (Year 13), Sabina Rooney (Year 12) and Laura Broadway (Year 9). Mr Owens reported that the standard of performance was very high and our students did very well indeed.

### **Capital development Update**

As I write we await confirmation that our plans have been sent to Chelmsford Borough for approval. It is intended that the Dining Hall extension work will be started in the spring with completion by the end of August. Parents working on the Capital Development Committee are waiting for confirmation of planning consent for the Languages Centre to contact various trusts, funds and charities asking for grants to enable us to have the centre built.

### **Safeguarding**

As you will be aware from the media, schools are expected to follow strict guidelines with respect to Child Protection and Staff Recruitment. With your daughters' safety in mind we implement the required strategies. In particular, you will also have experienced the requirement to sign in and wear a badge when you visit our school during school hours; this is applicable to all situations other than main school events and parents' evenings. We have also asked that you do not go straight to classrooms or locker areas to collect items for, or even with, your daughters; for the sake of the safety of all on site we ask that you do not drive onto our school site to drop off or collect your daughter at any time, unless she is unwell or is required to leave school for a medical appointment. We ask that you respect those requirements at all times.



## Message from the Headteacher

### **Christmas Fayre, Saturday, 12th December 2009**

This year's Christmas Fayre was organised by the Parents' Association with the help of the PA Sixth Form Representatives: Amy Cleaves and Sophie Stanger. A great time was had by all at this tremendous affair. Special thank you to the Technology Department and all their staff, to Mr Owens for agreeing to be Father Christmas and to the PA for all their help and support.

### **End of Term**

We are looking forward to the end of term Christmas celebrations with the Silver Surfers' Christmas dinner, courtesy of Mr Rowell and his team of 'chefs', decorated classrooms and the carol concert at the Cathedral. Please note that, given the limited capacity of the Cathedral, we are unable to extend invitations to parents. Unless you have stated otherwise for Year 7 and 8, all students will be dismissed from the Cathedral to return to school by 2.30.

I wish you and your families a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Nicole Chapman

### **Year 7**

Mrs. Elizabeth Nourse  
Student Progress Manager

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The run up to the Christmas holiday is always a very busy time of year for the girls as they take part in numerous activities culminating in the eagerly awaited House Decorated Classroom Competition. By now parents of Year 7 students should have received their daughter's monitoring grades. These provide a useful guide to how well the girls have settled into their studies as well as indicating any early problems that may need addressing.

Finally, we are looking forward to meeting Year 7 parents at the consultation evening on Thursday 14th of January 2010

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### **Year 8**

Mrs. Katharine Adams  
Student Progress Manager

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Year 8 have been busy in the second part of the autumn term presenting assemblies each Friday. They have thrown themselves into this with their usual enthusiasm and have produced some very entertaining offerings based on this term's theme of "Justice". All the assemblies have had very hard hitting and poignant messages behind the fun and laughter and I should like to thank year 8 and their tutors for the hard work and thought they put into preparing these presentations for us.

At the time of writing tutor groups are working on their ideas for decorated classrooms and I am sure that team spirit, and perhaps a little friendly rivalry, will come to the fore again for this much awaited event. Could I also take this opportunity to thank all the girls who have been on duty this term helping to show visitors round school or being responsible for keeping on top of the pile of lost property. Their help is much appreciated.

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### **Year 9**

Mrs. Marion Windeatt  
Student Progress Manager

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I should like to thank parents for attending the 'Meet the Tutor evening' in November when they were also given the opportunity to view the plans for the new Language Centre. The evening was very successful and a number of issues (including internet safety) were addressed.

The students will have to make choices about their GCSE options in the New Year and they will be bringing home a booklet in early February to help them do this. There will also be an options evening on 1<sup>st</sup> of February for students and parents.

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Mr. Julian Dutnall

Deputy Headteacher

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## **The Jack Petchey Award Scheme**

You will recall in the last newsletter that Sydney Day wrote about her experience attending the Chelmsford Award Ceremony in September. This term we are pleased to say that three more students have been chosen to receive awards. These are Katherine Hughes, Yolanda Chegwidden and Jess Jellicoe. The girls were nominated by students and chosen by the Charity and International Prefect group. Their award money will be spent on aprons with the school logo for the Art Department, class sets of scripts and sketches for the Drama Department and music for the concert band and orchestra. Please remember that nomination forms can be collected from outside the General Office and placed in the box there.

## **Assemblies**

This term our assemblies have focused on the theme of "Justice". We have been impressed by the way in which the various form groups have embraced this important issue and found creative ways to present their views. The Amnesty Group delivered an extremely thought provoking message about ways in which many people today are mistreated because of their religious or political views. Next term we will be looking at a different theme in each half-term. The theme of "Compassion" will run for the first half-term and be followed by assemblies which focus on "Hope".

## **Enrichment Day 2**

Our second Enrichment Day of the academic year takes place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2009. Year 7 will be spending the morning looking at the links between Music and Mathematics and then visiting the Civic Theatre for a pantomime in the afternoon. Year 8 will be working with the Latin Department and learning even more about what the Romans have done for us. Students in Years 9 and 10 will be on educational visits. Year 9 will be visiting the Natural History Museum and Year 10 the National Gallery. Mrs Gulliver has organised a Languages Day for Year 11 which will develop their existing knowledge and introduce several new ideas. Sixth formers will be working in Science, working independently on their own studies, and assisting with other activities throughout the day. We are sure this will be an enriching and educational day for all.

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### Year 10

Mrs. Margaret Cousins  
Student Progress Manager

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It's been a busy term for Year 10 with students getting to grips with the demands of their GCSE courses. Coursework can be a particular challenge. I would remind the girls to take note of the deadlines set and to talk to their teachers if they are having problems meeting them. Teachers will give advice on how long students should take to complete tasks and girls must take care not to spend too much extra time in one area at the expense of others.

The monitoring process has been carried out, with girls having the chance to discuss with their tutors their progress in their subjects. This dialogue gives girls the chance to raise any issues they have and for the tutor to recognise their many talents.

Many of the students have applied for positions as year 10 prefects and the results of this process will be known by the end of term.

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### Year 11

Mr. Terry Warner  
Student Progress Manager

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It has been a very busy time for Year 11 with students having just finished their mock examinations. They will be receiving marks and feedback from staff and data will be sent home for parents. Students have also been given information on Sixth Form entry and should be discussing potential study choices with the relevant staff. Students and parents have had the opportunity to discuss choices with teachers at the Year 11 into 12 Options Evening.

A number of girls continue to be academically mentored by members of staff. It is very important that girls keep the appointments agreed as staff are giving their time voluntarily.

## Challenge of Management

Mrs. Julie McDonald  
Head of Sixth Form

I am currently planning with KEGS a "Challenge of Management" Conference for all members of the combined Year 12. This will take place in July 2010. The programme will include a business game run on a computer, an overview of the role of a manager, decision-making exercises, time-management exercises, a close-up on industry, key skills development, marketing exercises, production games, negotiation exercises, strategic management simulations and a brand-launching exercise. The skills learnt will be relevant to anyone who seeks a career in management, whether in industry or another profession, and should improve personal effectiveness for all the participants.

Parents can help in a number of ways:

1. If any parents would like to contribute to the sponsoring of the Conference either as an individual or through his/her company, I should be delighted to hear from you. This sponsorship could be a financial contribution, or the offer of printing some or all of our materials. If you are unable to arrange sponsorship yourself, but have a contact who I could approach within your company, I should also very much appreciate this opening. Sponsors will have their names/company name (should they wish this) advertised at the Conference at various locations within both schools.

2. The Conference requires about 30 advisers to work with groups of 8 students for two days to support them in the various activities. They will bring their own experience and will normally be managers, however junior, in their own organisations. Some companies use these occasions as part of their management training programmes.

3. By offering accommodation to an adviser. Please contact me at school if you are able to help by using the pro-forma enclosed with the Newsletter. Students will be issued with letters next year.

### Senior Prefects

I should like to congratulate the new Senior Prefects who were appointed at the end of November, and wish them luck in their new rôles:

Sarah Bridge	12 MRO	Hannah Neill	12 GHA
Tasneem Dudhia	12 HGR	Caroline Packer	12 PGI
Ei Nge Htut	12 MCA	Stephanie Redcliffe	12 JMI
Arathi Menon	12 AMO	Emma Stratford	12 PGI

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## Monitoring Standards of Teaching and Learning

Mr. Mike Seager  
Acting Assistant Headteacher (Teaching & Learning)

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Part of my role is to monitor the standards of teaching and learning in school, by completing lesson observations, raising professional standards and working closely with Heads of Departments. It is a requirement that we carry out this monitoring process, as we have to be seen to be able to reflect on our own achievements and drive our own developments. The ability to self-evaluate is crucial for a school, its individual departments and members of staff.

The major part of my work in this area is the monitoring of subject departments: I complete one of these evaluations once per half term. The reports that are written are obviously confidential to the staff and Governing Body and help drive the school forward by highlighting areas of excellence and other aspects that need improving. The process is shared with Mrs Chapman and the other members of SLT: we find it fascinating to spend time in various departmental areas and in the lessons of numerous teachers as we have seen outstanding practice across all faculties.

### The Year 9 Monitoring Week

Once a term, an evaluation of the standards of teaching and learning across a whole year group is completed. In October senior staff monitored the standards in Year 9 and as this affected a whole year group it is appropriate that I give you some feedback on our findings. Again, the report has to be confidential to the staff and Governing Body, but I should like to give you some details; I have already spoken to the girls in Year 9 and given them some information that was particularly relevant to them.

The monitoring consisted of:

- a number of lesson observations; there were 18 observation scheduled across all Faculty areas.
- an interview of a group of 8 Year 9 students by Mrs. Chapman.
- a work scrutiny of 8 students; they were asked to collect all their written work for the year so far and this was examined. Their teachers also brought along lots of other evidence that they wanted included.

We found that there are many **areas of excellence** in Year 9, including:

- Evidence from the lesson observations shows that the vast majority of lessons in Year 9 are either good or outstanding, with almost half of the lessons observed deemed as outstanding overall. It is particularly pleasing that the most impressive lessons are taught by teachers of varying experience and varying time in this school, and are spread across all Faculties. The quality of teachers' subject knowledge, their classroom management and the quality of students' learning are particular strengths across all Faculties teaching in Year 9.
- It is clear that students enjoy their lessons and they are challenged by the tasks that they complete. Part of their enjoyment comes from their willingness to work with their teachers and from the teachers' skills in building excellent relationships with their students in a professional and supportive manner.

- There are numerous examples of excellent practice in assessment across all Faculties. These include excellent questioning of students in lessons by some outstanding teachers. At these times, all students are engaged in the lesson, their contributions are valued and challenged, and the questions posed ensure that the students have to think deeply before answering. In addition, many departments have developed comprehensive systems to aid assessment against criteria and to give students (and their parents) a clear understanding of their present capabilities and future progress.

We also found some **areas for improvement or development**; these are detailed below with some action points:

- A relative weakness in the lessons observed was the quality of assessment during the lesson, especially some teachers assessing the understanding of the students during the lesson. All students need to be engaged in the lesson at all times and teachers need to ensure that the minority of students who lack confidence to participate voluntarily need to be engaged in their learning in a supportive manner. This issue is being addressed through Faculty meetings, the Assessment for Learning working party and it has been raised with the Year 9 students during an assembly; their challenge is to answer more questions and to ask at least one question per lesson.
- The students feel that homework is regularly set and that they generally experience worthwhile tasks; however, they do not always feel that their work is looked at in detail by all their teachers. This may be because the homework was research or draft work, leading to a more substantial task that will be assessed more formally, and if this is the case, their teachers have been asked to ensure that the purpose of the activity and how it will be assessed is communicated to the students when the work is set. This issue is being addressed by the Year 9 student researchers as they are looking at homework, its regularity and its composition.
- There seems to be a need for some greater consistency in assessment of written and practical work across departments, with a greater emphasis on improving learning through assessment. There is already excellent practice in the school, and this should be shared with other departments and implemented by them. This issue is being addressed through Faculty meetings and the Assessment for Learning working party. The Year 9 students have also been asked to look at the presentation of their work, as we saw a great deal of variation in the apparent pride that they take in their work for different subjects.

I have already expressed my gratitude to the Year 9 students for allowing us to come into their lessons and carrying on in their usual manner; in addition, the girls involved in the interview with Mrs. Chapman and the work scrutiny should be thanked. The process has raised a number of issues for the teaching staff to consider and we will work on these in the coming months.

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## Learning Resource Centre

Mrs. Angela Martin  
Librarian

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Congratulations to Sophie and Imogen for winning first and second prize in the fashion quiz this term. Have fun reading your books over the holidays.

The Essex Book Awards are being hotly contested once again and this year's authors include Susan Hill, Linda Newbury and Jenny Valentine. All of the six books from the shortlist are available to borrow from the CCHS library and we are asking students to give their opinions of the books with the winners being announced in March next year. Ask the library staff for more information about this fun event.

Each term, more than three hundred books and magazines are added to the library shelves at our school. These not only include books to support the subjects being studied but also a substantial collection of the most popular fiction books. Many of the students may be surprised by the authors who top the 'most frequently' borrowed list since September, as Stephenie Meyer only just makes the top ten with Cathy Cassidy, Grace Dent and Jacqueline Wilson all coming further up the list. And who is no. 1? ..... Louise Rennison ! Any students who wish to request certain authors are encouraged to write in the student book suggestion list kept in the library.

At any one time there are approximately 600 books on loan from the school library. Unfortunately, more than 200 of these are overdue and need to either be returned or renewed. There is a returns box in the library for those who wish to remain anonymous when returning late books. Renewals can be carried out on-line by logging on to the school VLE homepage and then clicking on the 'Library Oliver Catalogue' link on the left-hand side. Fill in the username with the library borrower barcode on the blue card issued at the beginning of year 7 and, unless changed, the password is 'student'. Books can then each be renewed once on-line or can be taken in to the library for further renewals.

If you are struggling to find a good book to read over the Christmas break then check out the notice-board outside the library for some student reviews. Happy Holidays from the library.

*"If the facts don't fit the theory, change the facts!"*

Albert Einstein

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## Charity Cat Walk

Mrs. Janice Gilroy  
Marketing and Fundraising

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Jude Worley, 7C took part in a charity catwalk event at Sainsbury's on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2009. Over £300 was raised for J's Hospice. J's Hospice specialise in looking after young adults aged 18 to 40 with life limiting conditions in the East of England. Thank you to Mrs. Nina Worley for sending in the news of Jude's fashion success.



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## Charity Cat Walk

Mrs. Maxine Saunders  
Head of Art

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Report by Claire Towler and Ellie Matthewson

On October 13<sup>th</sup> we were fortunate enough to have a team from Writtle School of Design come in to give the Year 12 Art students a workshop in interior architecture. We were shown a presentation with a mixture of work produced at the college and inspirational images showing examples of materials being manipulated by folding and pleating, and examples of this in the natural world. We were then given a piece of card and were told to use the techniques we had just seen to create a 3D object without cutting the card itself. Each student compared their work and we explored perspective by using a range of sizes of human figures. We saw how the change in the size of a person affected



how we saw the object and what the function of the object would be. We then photographed our objects to be used in our projects as our theme for this term is "Structure".

This workshop helped us to develop our ideas and techniques, and demonstrated to us the importance of size and perspective in our designs. We found the workshop very enjoyable and valuable, and appreciate the team from Writtle giving up their time to give us this experience.



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## Uniform Review

Dr D. Noble  
Acting Assistant Headteacher

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We have recently made the decision to appoint S. Simmonds and Sons Ltd to be the uniform supplier for the new uniform we will be introducing from September 2010. The new uniform is being offered for this summer only as a package, and irrespective of the student's size a price of £100.00 will entitle you to a starter pack containing a blazer, 2 blouses, a jumper and a kilt (5 pieces). It will be possible to buy additional items of uniform should you wish to do so. Styled blouses are twin packed and all other items are sold singly.

The new uniform will consist of the following:

A lilac short sleeved semi-fitted blouse.

A navy blue jacket, with the school logo embroidered onto the left breast.

A navy blue long sleeved jumper with two lilac stripes around the neck line.

The possibility of also offering a sleeveless 'slipover' version of the jumper is being investigated.

A navy blue based tartan (school design) kilt with 2 thin lilac stripes.

The intention is for the new uniform to be phased in; initially this will be with those students who will be in years 7 & 9 in September 2010. If any other students wish to make the transition to the new uniform in 2010 then they may of course do so. A letter will be going out shortly onto ParentMail to ascertain what level of interest there will be from parents of students in other years. This will not commit you to buying the new uniform but will enable the supplier to judge what levels of supply are required.

Sanderson Schoolwear, the supplier of our current school uniform, are currently holding a sale with the following reduced prices. They can be contacted on 01268 774466 or via e-mail at [sales@sandersonschoolwear.co.uk](mailto:sales@sandersonschoolwear.co.uk)

### **School Blazer**

Up to a 32 " will be £34.95

34" to 44" will be £39.95

### **Trousers**

All sizes £7.45

### **Skirts**

All sizes £9.95

### **Blouses (twin pack)**

All sizes £14.95

### **Individual Achievements**

Mrs. Janice Gilroy  
Marketing and Fundraising

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Abi Ashford (9C) was selected to attend the England Hockey Assessment Camp (HIPAC), the highest level open to U15 Hockey players, one of the 8 best for her age group in the country. This took place in October at Leeds University, Abi reports that it was greatly enjoyable, but hard work! This has helped her develop her skills and will give many more opportunities in the future. Congratulations and thank you to Miss Molyneux for her high quality coaching.

Cara Chan (8S) won the Lake Trophy in Piano Solo Classical Class for 15 years and under and the Neate Trophy in Woodwind Solo for 12 years and under. She also won the Michael Lewis Challenge Cup and Allegro Music Voucher for 12 year olds and the Eileen Neath Prize and the Agnes Bateson Memorial Cup in Chopin Junior class. She was runner up in the 11-15 years Junior Recital Class with Honours. Those of you who have heard Cara play will not be surprised! Congratulations!

Raheel Tharmaraj (8C) is a keen classical singer and is part of the Senior Choir of the New London Children's Choir in East Finchley. She recently took part in the world premiere of Disney's Christmas Carol in Leicester Square, helping break the world record for the largest Christmas Carol singing ever attempted with singers singing simultaneously in different venues across London. Well done!

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### **Chelmsford Legal Debate**

Emma Stratford  
Year 12

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On Thursday, 22nd October, five girls in the Sixth Form were given an amazing opportunity to take part in the Chelmsford Legal Debate 2009. The event was organised by Gepp & Sons Ltd and took place at Shire Hall. The CCHS team, consisting of Claire Gilbert, Amy Cleaves, Ei Nge and Nika Jones, did the school proud by reaching the final round and coming a respectable and well deserved second place. Eight teams from sixth forms in the Chelmsford area participated. However nerve-racking it was to do our two minute speech in front of a hall full of people, it was worth it as we met prestigious people including the Right Honourable Lord Petre and Danny Carter, a top lawyer Gepp & Sons, who shared from their experiences with us. Staff, friends and family were there to support us and we were grateful for that.

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## Trident Volunteers Gold Award—Summer 2009

Article from Mr. John Moore  
Head of Economics

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This is an example of the range of activities that were arranged for the girls to undertake in their local communities this summer. This example was the summer reading they undertook in their local libraries.

### Trident Volunteers Gold Award—Summer 2009

Below are the names of the students who volunteered from our school and completed 15 hours volunteer service at their placement libraries. All students received letters of thanks.

Rebecca Shelford  
Natalie Seaman  
Catherine Cable-Chandler  
Ellis Jaggs  
Charlotte Rayner  
Victoria Glascock  
Devina Patel  
Jem Gopika

Response from the Library Supervisors this year shows that the work of the students who helped was greatly appreciated. The Trident Volunteers help make the Summer Reading Challenge a success. Congratulations to all who took part.

## Under 14 Netball

Miss Sarah Bellamy  
Head of Physical Education

Having won the District round of the National Schools' Competition in October, the Under 14 netball squad went onto represent Mid-Essex at the County round of the competition. The girls had once again trained hard and were raring to go.

The competition took place at New Hall on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2009. Having thoroughly warmed-up, the girls were ready to play. They had six matches to play in their pool against schools from all over Essex. The girls played competitively and showed they were there to mean business. The girls went on to win all their pool games and qualified top of pool A. They would meet St Martin's (Pool B runner-ups) in the semi-final.

The semi-final was going to be tough. St Martin's were a very good team, who the girls had beaten before but winning meant a place in the Regional Finals. The girls were brilliant, kept their discipline and controlled the game, finally coming out winners. The girls were through to the Regional Finals. All their hard work and determination had paid off.

The Final was against Shenfield High School, a team they had already beaten that day but nothing could be taken for granted. Shenfield worked really hard and the game was even throughout. CCHS kept going ahead by one before Shenfield equalised. The clock started to countdown, with CCHS scoring and going into the lead. The team defended excellently and intercepted the ball before Shenfield could equalise. The whistle was blown and CCHS were crowned U.14 Essex Champions.

The girls should be extremely proud of themselves for all their hard work in training and on the day. The girls showed that by working as a team, anything can be accomplished. Thank you to Ailish Wincott (12RJO) who scored on the day and to Mrs Henderson and Mrs Ayre for their help both prior to and on the day. A special thank you to all the parents who supported the school and the girls.

The next round of the National Schools' Competition will be held at Hassenbrook School, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

### County Results:

#### Pool A

CCHS v Colchester	CCHS won 10-2
CCHS v Shenfield	CCHS won 9-5
CCHS v Felsted	CCHS won 10-4
CCHS v Passmores	CCHS won 12-2
CCHS v Greensward	CCHS won 9-3
CCHS v Fitwimarc	CCHS won 9-5

#### Semi Final

CCHS v St Martin's      CCHS won 6-3

#### Final

CCHS v Shenfield      CCHS won 8-7

## **New Extra Curricular Clubs**

Miss Sarah Bellamy  
Head of Physical Education

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### **Table Tennis Club**

A new Table Tennis Club has started this year on Wednesdays, after school. Chelsea Football Club have provided a highly qualified coach Dean Andrews to coach our girls. The money to pay for this club has come through the Chelmsford Partnership which encourages girls of all ages will take part in the club. The girls have really enjoyed the sessions and so far they have really improved. Dean believes some of the girls could be good enough to play for a club eventually.

If any girls are interested in attending the club regularly please see Miss Bellamy for details.

### **Fencing Club**

Following a free taster fencing session in October, 14 girls signed up for the club which takes place every Friday in either the gym or hall. Tina Staples is a highly qualified coach who coaches in Colchester and runs her own company called Swordplay. Each session costs £5 and parents pay termly direct to Tina. The girls are thoroughly enjoying the sessions, improving their technique every week. They are going to have a match against the boys at KEGS in the new year.

If you are interested in joining the Fencing Club, come along on a Friday lunch time and speak to Tina Staples.



# Calendar Of Events

From	To / Length	Dept.	Year	Title
Friday 18th December				Last day of term, 2.30pm
Monday 4th January	Thursday 1st April			Spring Term
Friday 5th February	2 Days		12&13	Economics Trip to Paris
Tuesday 9th February	1 Day		10	Take Your Daughter to Work
Monday 15th February	Friday 19th February			Half Term
Monday 22nd March	1 Day		7	Food Day
Monday 22nd March	1 Day		8	Religious Building Visit
Monday 22nd March	1.5 Days		9	Duke of Edinburgh
Monday 22nd March	1 Day		10	Science Day
Wednesday 24th March	5 Days		10	German Exchange
Tuesday 30th March	2.5 Days		9+	Combined Cadet Force
Thursday 1st April				Last day of term
Saturday 3rd April	7 Days		8-12	Ski Trip to Austria
Monday 5th April	6 Days		12&13	Geography Trip Iceland
Sunday 11th April	6 Days		12&13	Latin Trip to Rome
Monday 19th April	Wednesday 21st July			Summer Term
Thursday 6th May	4 Days		10	Silver Duke of Edinburgh
Saturday 15th May	4.5 Days		10	Geography Trip to Snowdonia
Monday 31st May	Friday 4th June			Half Term
Thursday 10th June	1 Day		7	History / RS Trip
Thursday 10th June	1 Day		9	Museum & Galleries
Thursday 10th June	2 Days		9	Bronze Duke of Edinburgh
Wednesday 16th June	1 Day		8	Drama Matinee
Monday 21st June	5 Days		8	Rhineland Trip
Thursday 24th June	3.5 Days		10	RS Trip
Friday 25th June	1.5 Days		7	French / Biology Trip
Friday 25th June	1 Day		10	Latin Trip
Thursday 1st July	5 Days		9-13	Music Tour Belgium
Saturday 3rd July	3 Days		9	Combined Cadet Camp
Saturday 10th July	7 Days		9-12	French Exchange
Sunday 11th July	26 Days		12&13	Expedition to Greenland
Wednesday 21st July				Last day of term

If you would like to comment on any of the items in this newsletter please feel free to contact Janice Gilroy via email or you may use the form below. Your comments will be forwarded to the relevant department. All comments will be treated strictly in confidence.

If you have a comment that is not related to issues from the newsletter please contact the main office who will direct you to the relevant department.

Thank you

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Name:  Daughter's name:

Comment:

Would you like to be contacted regarding this comment?      Yes      No

Preferred contact number:

**Thank you**

**"CHALLENGE OF MANAGEMENT" Conference**  
**July 2010**

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Form \_\_\_\_\_

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