

# CCHS *Laudatio*

4th February 2022



*Inspiring the leaders of tomorrow to think for themselves and act for others*

## MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

It is wonderful to see so many activities coming back for our students. This week alone we had the Physics Olympiad, Sharanya (Yr8) was interviewed on BBC Radio about the CyberFirst Girls Competition, we held the Arkwright Aptitude Exam, Oxford & Cambridge (online) Information Evening, Industrial Cadets Bronze Projects, Intermediate Maths Challenge, and at lunchtime today we had House Debating – so many opportunities for our students.

Indeed, we are developing extra-curricular opportunities for staff as well, with the launch of Staff Art Club with Mr Harvey, and Staff Book Club with Mrs Martin and Mrs Davis.

It was great to welcome the parents of our Year 9 students to their Parents' Evening yesterday. Year 9 students are entering an important and exciting phase as we support them through their GCSE options selection process.

## Key Dates

**Tuesday 8th February**

Year 13 and Tutor Group Photos

**Friday 11th February**

INSET Day (school closed to students)

**Monday 14th - Friday 18th February**

Half-term holidays

**Thursday 24th & Friday 25th February**

CCHS Dance Show



### LGBTQ+ History Month

We are marking and celebrating LGBTQ+ History Month with a series of activities, including a school-wide Art project.

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During February, Elevate Education will be continuing their Parent Webinar Series with the following:

## Time Management Tuesday 8th February @ 6pm

In this webinar they will be showing parents how to:

- Help their children create study timetables that they stick to;
- Prevent the inevitable fights over homework;
- Overcome procrastination;
- Avoid last minute all-nighters before exams and assignments.
- If you would like to participate please register at: **Webinar Registration | UK** ([elevatecoaching.info](http://elevatecoaching.info))

### A Career in 'Asset Management' Talk by Catherine Ross

Thank you to former CCHS student, Catherine Ross, from M&G Asset Management, who delivered a talk on careers in the Asset Management sector, to our Year 9-13 students today.

# CCHS Sixth Form Update

Sixth Form - Chelmsford County High School for Girls ([cchs.co.uk](http://cchs.co.uk))



## Oxford & Cambridge Information Evening

We were delighted to host our annual Oxford & Cambridge Information Evening this week. Thank you, as ever, to Dr Sam Lucy, Director of Admissions for the Cambridge Colleges, for her expert guidance. It was lovely to welcome so many students and parents from CCHS and other schools to this event.  
[CCHS Aspire: University and Employment](#) - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



## Sian Cleaver - the Essex stargazer aiming to put mankind back on the Moon

CCHS Alumna and CCHS Institute patron, Sian Cleaver's work is celebrated in The Telegraph: *"[she] will fulfil a childhood ambition when the Artemis mission puts humans on the lunar surface for the first time in 50 years."* Read the full article on our website: [The CCHS Institute](#) - Chelmsford County High School for Girls

## CCHS Sixth Form

The scholarly sixth form where girls have every opportunity.

Students in the Sixth Form at CCHS have a huge range of leadership opportunities open to them. These opportunities enable them to develop their skills and confidence in a safe and supportive environment and to contribute to their school community.

Our Senior Prefects, House Officials, Sports Officials, Dance Officials and Charity Officials lead different aspects of the life of the school, enabling younger students to speak up, become involved and enjoy a range of different activities.

Our subject prefects support the work of departments, mentoring younger students and running clubs and societies. Sixth Form prefects also work on Diversity, Debating, the Library, Sixth Form Induction and The Torch, our school newspaper.





# Student Achievements

Have you got some news to share?  
If so, please email Miss McGrath ([hmcgrath@cchs.essex.sch.uk](mailto:hmcgrath@cchs.essex.sch.uk))  
and attach a photo or logo, if applicable.

## Vishalini, Year 12

Congratulations to Vishalini in Year 12 who has been awarded a grade A in A level Tamil. A fantastic achievement - well done Vishalini!



Many congratulations to Sharanya (Year 8) who was interviewed on BBC Radio about her participation in the CyberFirst Girls Competition, offered by the National Cyber Security Centre. You can listen to Sharanya from 1:17:35 via Sadie Nine - 01/02/2022 - BBC Sounds.

## Emily, Year 11

Well done to Emily in Year 11 who recently attended the Young Lawyers Workshop by InvestIN, with her friend Matilda (both pictured below). Compelled by the experience, Emily has written an excellent account of the event and how valuable she found the workshop given her interest in a future career in Law.

The full article will soon be published in our student publication 'The Torch' but we also wanted to acknowledge the conscientious and dedicated approach shown by Emily in capturing her thoughts. Well done Emily!





# Student Achievements



## Chinese New Year Celebrations

Well done to Haniska, Katelyn, Dibya and Joyce in Year 10, who took part in a Chinese New Year event in Southend High Street last weekend. The students were teaching members of the public how to make Chinese 'good wishes' decorations. Many thanks for representing our school at this local event.





## Year 7 Book Group

*Librarians: Mrs Martin & Mrs Davis*



We have been delighted to be able to start the Year 7 Book Group again.

The new library will prove to be an excellent location for the group with our extra space and larger tables. We were extremely pleased to have such an enthusiastic group of Year 7s joining in. Everyone had strong opinions on what they do or do not like to read, and we are looking forward to some lively discussions in future meetings!

It's wonderful to find a group of students all with quite different interests and likes, and able to explain very clearly why they enjoy different genres – ranging from liking female authors, to a strong female protagonist, to enjoying a certain genre over others. Their thoughts are reflected in the variety of fiction books we have in the library catalogue, and the fact that we lend all types of books to our students.

**FIRST BOOK GROUP READ OF THE YEAR:  
'SKYSTEPPERS' BY KATHERINE RUNDELL**



The new link to the library Oliver catalogue is:  
<https://chelmsfordhsfg.oliverasp.co.uk/library/home/browse/list>

You can also find the link in the Library Teams files.

## Teacher Training Opportunities at CCHS

At CCHS we are able to offer superb teacher training opportunities and are keen to hear from anyone interested in working in education. If you are considering a career in teaching, please see details below about the Essex School Direct online information events or email Mrs Rhiannon Connolly if you have any further questions at: [rconnolly@cchs.essex.sch.uk](mailto:rconnolly@cchs.essex.sch.uk)

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# CCHS Parents' Association

Email: [pa@cchs.essex.sch.uk](mailto:pa@cchs.essex.sch.uk)



## Adventure Island Tickets Ready for Collection

If you purchased Adventure Island tickets via ParentPay, please collect your tickets from the Finance Office from Monday, 7th February.

Due to their popularity, the PA will be getting some more tickets soon and will let you know when they are available for purchase.



## Wishlist Lottery Winners

£50 A. Bakhsmi  
£25 A. Abayomi  
£25 A. Willoughby



## Uniform Donation Request

If your daughter has outgrown her uniform, we would ask that you consider donating to the school for the PA to sell at the regular Pre Loved Uniform sales.

Clean uniform can be brought into school and placed in the green wheelie bin located outside the canteen entrance.

Last academic year we raised £3000 from the online uniform sales.

Please support this worthwhile cause as it helps to raise funds for the school and also helps parents to purchase Pre Loved uniform for a fraction of the cost when new.