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MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

After a significant period of change for our country, with a new Prime Minister and now a new monarch, the 2022-23 academic year feels as though it has been reset before we even leave the month of September. And yet, we have already held our Meet the Tutor events for the parents of Year 8 and Year 12 students, as well as our Welcome Evening for the parents of Year 7 students. House events have started. Sporting fixtures have begun. School production ('Little Shop of Horrors') arrangements are well underway.

Dance Show ('Illuminate') rehearsals continue. Lunchtime clubs and societies are up and running. We held our entrance test this week, which will eventually bring to us our new group of Year 7 students next year. In other words, for all the important and noteworthy happenings beyond our campus, there is a familiar, energising and inspiring rhythm to school life which has started and now been established.

As we progress through this academic year, what efforts and achievements will define and distinguish the lives of our students and staff? We will certainly welcome Ofsted inspectors to our school soon enough, and we look forward to speaking to and showing them what is so special about the CCHS school community – a community committed to excellence in girls' education and empowerment.



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Student Achievements

Have you got some news to share?
If so, please email Mrs Gross (jgross@cchs.co.uk) and attach a photo or logo, if applicable.

After an application process, short listing and an interview, Mariella 13VCA has been selected to join the UK-German Youth Council. Congratulations!



CCHS Athlete of the Week

This week the athlete is Esther 10H.

This is because she consistently helps the PE Department, is so reliable and always gives 100%.

Well done Esther!



Please follow our CCHS PE Department Twitter account to keep up to date with our sporting news

[@CCHS4GPE](https://twitter.com/CCHS4GPE)



Students Resources Payment Deadline Extended



The payment deadline for student resources has been extended until 9am on Monday 26th September. If you would like your child to have any of these resources please check the relevant SchoolPosts, sent on 08/09/2022 and make a payment via ParentPay before the new deadline



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Training and Practice weekend

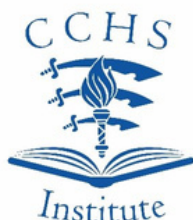
The Duke of Edinburgh expedition - an experience that everyone who took part will remember. This was only the practice weekend and so many fond memories were made, so it is fair to say that we are all looking forward to the qualifying one. On Saturday we all arrived at the campsite where we were to complete our training in preparation for the next day when we would complete our thirteen mile walk. There, we were introduced to our instructors and the layout of the next two days was explained to us and our first task was to: set up the tents. All around, it went pleasantly well and we all made ourselves comfortable and at home (thankfully the weather was on our side so no strong winds or rain). We were then circulating around different stations which taught us the most basic skills of navigation and how to pack a rucksack efficiently all the way to vital health and safety procedures. It was all very engaging and shown in a positive light keeping us enthusiastic about the weekend. The most fun part of that day, in my opinion, was the cooking - we were shown how to use the small stoves and were left to cook our own food. After a lot of trial and error, we now have a good idea as to what would be appropriate to bring with us to the next expedition. We stayed up relatively late although it got dark and cold surprisingly quickly, but we could not ask for it to be any other way as it would not have been the same experience.

After a particularly freezing night, we were all awake by 7 (mostly)! After that it was rushing to get packed and making breakfast without burning anyone. We were handed a map, either walking clockwise or anti-clockwise, and told to start, with all the new-found knowledge from yesterday and rather heavy bags, may I add. We all started with high spirits- and thankfully in the right direction. Throughout the hike, I saw my friends discover talents they never knew they had, for example map reading and navigation, even though we also had the helpful support of our instructors. Although we all had some minor or in one case major setbacks (unfortunately, some of us ended up in Southend airport!), we all learnt to trust our team and push ourselves outside our comfort zone. A significant lesson I learnt is that communication is key, without listening and speaking to your team mates, you can never work as a team and therefore succeed at Duke of Edinburgh. In my group, we all had our share of injuries during the walk, but the rest of the team aided and encouraged their friends to complete it. All the groups completed the walk and almost collapsed with tiredness at the campsite but it was worth it! I am thoroughly looking forward to our bronze expedition, although maybe not the aches that come with it!

Sachee 10H and Melisa 10C



This week, we were delighted to welcome back former CCHS student and CCHS Institute patron, Eloise Davies, to deliver an informative and engaging lecture to our students and staff.



The Mary Kenyon Memorial Lecture for 2022

Will be given by

Dr Eloise Davies

of the University of Oxford

on

Wednesday 21st September at 4.30pm in V10



Eloise is a former student of CCHS who now teaches at the University of Oxford. She is an award-winning historian whose work focuses on the history of diplomacy, religion and political thought. She is a particular expert on the relationship between England and Venice in the early modern period and will be speaking on:

‘Beyond Shakespeare. Why Venice mattered in Jacobean England’.

All students, staff and parents are most welcome.

Parking

A polite reminder to park considerately when dropping off/collecting your daughter(s) from school. Broomfield Road, and the adjoining roads, are busy areas at arrival/departure times. Most nearby roads also require a resident parking permit, which should be requested from Chelmsford City Council.



<https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/parking-and-travel/resident-parking>

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 6th October 2022

As a consequence of the Sixth Form Open Evening taking place between 5.00 pm - 8.00 p.m. on the evening of Thursday 6th October, it is planned to close the school early in order to allow for preparation. Therefore, the school will close at 2.40 pm on Thursday 6th October.


Any student whose parents require them to stay in school until 3.40 pm will be able to work in school under the supervision of senior staff.

Friday 7th October will be an INSET day and the school will be closed for students.

PA objectives

1. To raise funds to benefit the students of CCHS
2. To foster relationships within the school - including parents, teachers, staff and the wider community

CCHS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION




OUR ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR-


- Junior disco
- 2nd hand uniform
- Winter Fayre
- Leavers Moodies
- Christmas Pudding sales
- CCHS PA cookbook
- Donut Days
- Mothers Day stall
- Raffles
- Quiz Night and many more...

Meetings are held at 1pm, first Friday of each half term

Contact us via the school
tel: 01245 352 592 OR
email: PA@cchs.essex.sch.uk

This year we have committed to fund over £37,000 for CCHS projects!





"It is the satisfaction of being part of a lively group who work to make a difference in their daughters' lives...."

Baishali, Yr 8 parent and PA helper

The Parents' Association will be serving refreshments at the Sixth Form open evening on the 6th October.

We need helpers to cover the event which runs between 3.30pm and 7pm. If you can help out for an hour or so that would be great. Please email Sarah at PA@cchs.essex.sch.uk

Rampaging Chariots

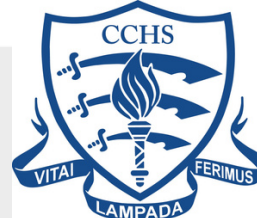


On Wednesday 14th September, students from last term's Year 8 Electronics Club proudly unveiled their completed Rampaging Chariot named 'Spirit of Boudicca'. It is a radio-controlled robot, powered by two 18V drill motors. The team have considerably enhanced the standard two-wheel kit design to a four-wheel drive robot with switchable gearing. This enables them to customise the performance of the robot for the different challenges of the competition organised by Leonardo of Basildon

It is hoped the competition will be rescheduled for next year. Both staff and students enjoyed driving the chariot around an improvised assault course. Well done to Sophie and Gioia for building the electronics, Nelly and Tate for engineering the motors, drives and gearing, and Tanya for building the chassis to an ever-evolving specification! The whole team designed the graphics and logos, led by Sophie.



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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION



Annual General Meeting

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Stay informed and get involved.

7pm for 7:30pm
Wednesday 19th October
School library



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Member Association