



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

## MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

The information below constitutes our Spring Term change@cchs update, which is hosted on our website. It represents a culmination of thoughts and experiences inspired by the standards set and actions taken by our students and staff.

### CCHS Citizenship Programme

#### UN Context

Principles (1 and 4) of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child provide an international inspiration for work relating to young people:

#### Principle 1

"States parties shall respect and ensure the rights set forth in the present convention to each child within their jurisdiction without discrimination of any kind, irrespective of the child's parents or legal guardian, race, colour, sex, language, religion...national, ethnic or social origin, poverty, disability, birth or other status."

#### Principle 4

"States parties shall assure to the child who is capable of forming his or her own views the rights to express those views freely in all matters affecting the child, the view of the child being given due weight in accordance with the age and maturity of the child."

### CCHS Context

As part of our change@cchs initiative, we work to promote:

- understanding
- co-operation
- respect
- civility



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We support our students, through their interactions with each other and with members of staff, as members of CCHS community, to understand the values which animate our school ethos (vision and aims). Those relating specifically to the concept and experience of citizenship are:

Developing the leaders of tomorrow (school vision) – Citizenship: inspiring students to think for themselves and to act for others.

Contributing to the community (school aim 3) – Duty: ensuring students always conduct themselves with civility and compassion, supporting each other and looking beyond themselves.

#### Our Objectives

Through everyday behaviour, we are determined to make face-to-face interactions a force for:

- respectful exchanges of ideas
- broadening horizons
- forging lasting friendships

Through online behaviour, we are determined to make social media interactions a force for:

- positive engagement
- supporting one another
- celebrating successes

#### Our Commitments

How are our students able to have their voices heard?

- Form discussions
- ochange@cchs initiative
- Student Voice
- Sixth Form Council

How can our students appreciate the variety of cultures and heritages in our school?

- Engagement in lessons
- Assemblies
- Music Concerts, School Productions and Dance Shows

How can our students share their ideas with confidence and dignity?

- 'Stand Up, Speak Out!'
- Assemblies
- House Debating
- Public speaking competitions and the Jack Petchey 'Speak Out' project

How can students listen to and understand different points of view?

- 'Listen and learn' mindset
- The art of disagreement

How can students take responsibility for the predictable consequences of their actions?

- Celebrating role models by understanding their qualities
- A zero-tolerance approach to all forms of discrimination



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# SPOTLIGHT

A graphic of a spotlight beam shining down onto a circular spot on a dark blue background.

*Each week, a member of staff provides a brief outline of their work in the school in our 'Spotlight' feature. This will enable the CCHS community to appreciate the nature, importance and impact of the industrious and talented staff who work at our school. Allied with our wonderful students, encouraging parents and supportive governors, our school community is blessed with people who are committed to excellence in girls' education and empowerment.*

*Mr Lawlor*

Teaching and Learning are the fundamentals of an excellent school – they are the foundations for a long and successful life and career. The brilliant things that happen in the classroom make CCHS a special and unique learning community, and it is a variety of individuals that contribute to that. These individuals include: our committed and ambitious students; our dedicated teaching staff; and our experienced Subject Leaders who tailor their curriculums to meet the needs of our learners.

Furthermore, School Development Leaders collaborate with myself, Mrs Cross and Miss Harrison to ensure that all students have the best possible educational experiences. With a key focus on Teaching and Learning, these colleagues take responsibility for developing the practise of colleagues and impacting the educational progress of our students beyond their immediate departments.

In addition to my role leading Teaching and Learning at CCHS, I also oversee Staff Development. This means it is my responsibility to ensure that colleagues across our school are given opportunities to develop and evolve their professional practice. A massive privilege I also have is working closely with those new to the teaching profession, ensuring they are given the support, training and experiences needed to become great teachers.

Mr A. Selby

Assistant Headteacher, Teaching & Learning and Staff Development



# Student Achievements

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

On 5th February, Prethika (10C), received a special award from the London Tamil Sangam at their annual Thai Pongal Celebrations.

The special award was to recognise her prize winning moments following her participation in various Tamil public speaking competitions and debates, in multiple national and international forums over the years.

Well Done



## CCHS Athlete of the Week

Lily, 7A, for her fabulous running at cross country, best run in her CCHS vest yet.



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

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



Please follow our PE Instagram account for everything PE & Sport.

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ARTIST OF THE WEEK- Fran, Year 8, for her Art History timeline.



Well done!



Huge congratulations to our Year 7 Cross Country team, who took part in the Essex Schools Cross Country Championships at Writtle College on Wednesday 8th February.

Thirty-nine schools took part in the competition, with just under three hundred runners in the race. We had both brilliant individual and team performances. The Year 7 A team finished in 1st place, which makes them Essex Champions and our B team finished in a fantastic 24th place. A team individual places, Frankie finished in 5th place, Izzy in 6th, Esme in 9th and Lily in 11th place. B team individual places, Charlotte 35th, Ellie 136th, Isla 137th and Sibylla 139th place.

Very well done to all runners. As a school, we have never won this event before, so we are so proud!! Thank you for the memories made and thank you for being as fabulous as ever. Keep it up, big things to come from this team!

Frankie, Izzy, Esme and Lilly have now been selected to represent Essex in a few weeks time! Good luck girls!





## Year 12 Model United Nations.

Yesterday, CCHS was transformed into a department of the United Nations. Year 12 students wrestled with a series of global challenges in their roles as representatives of 15 countries from around the world.



The event culminated in a meeting of all the students in a mock United Nations General Assembly, where they discussed their responses to a global crisis.

The students performed brilliantly – taking on the roles and perspectives of their various countries – and the whole event was a valuable contribution to the school's aim of helping students to reflect on the global community and how they may best seek to address the challenges which the world faces.

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## CCHS Careers Evening.

Year 9 and Year 12 students much appreciated the CCHS Careers Evening on Thursday of this week.

For the first time since the pandemic, we were able to welcome a wide variety of visitors to speak to students and parents about their careers. Many of our visitors were former CCHS students and they were able to offer fascinating information on their pathways from school to the exciting and rewarding jobs they now enjoy.

We look forward to continuing to develop our valuable careers work in the future.

Thank you to Dr Hiner, Mrs Hopkins and Dr Palmer for arranging this opportunity for students and their families.



Essex County Council



The British Red Cross has launched an emergency fundraising appeal in response to two devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.

[British Red Cross launches Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal](#)



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The German Department were delighted to welcome the Onatti theatre company for a second year to perform their new play, 'Im alten Saloon', on Tuesday 31st January.

Here is a selection of student feedback:

'I really enjoyed the play as it was very interactive and included the audience frequently.'

'Ich habe das Theaterstück sehr lustig und unterhaltsam gefunden. Es war sehr gut, weil die Schauspielerinnen super waren.'

'The play was very funny. Even though I couldn't understand all of the German words, I could still understand the storyline through tone of voice and body language'

'Das Theaterstück war spannend und es hat mich zum Lachen gebracht. Die Schauspielerinnen haben sehr gut gespielt und meiner Meinung nach war das ein Meisterstück.'

'I enjoyed it and I think that the Year 9s next year should watch it because it was really a good play and the actors did a great job.'

'We thought that the play was hilarious and very entertaining. We also found it impressive how quickly you could change outfits and characters! The storyline was interesting and easy to understand. Thank you to Frau Greenland for using her Jack Petchey prize money to enhance our German skills.'



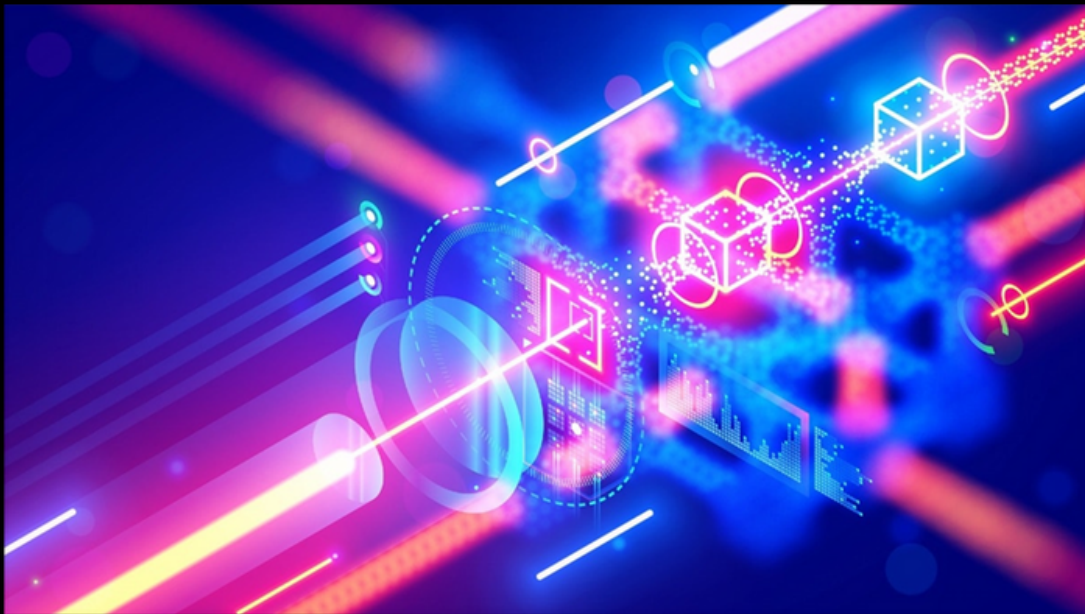


# Quantum Key Distribution

An IOP / CSES lecture for the public, presented by  
Alan Denton

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023,  
CCHS will be holding an early edition of this lecture in Room V10  
at 4pm

With the lecture at ARU starting at 7pm  
Refreshments available before the talk from 6.30pm



In this lecture we look at Quantum Key Distribution a possible solution to uncrackable computer networks.

There is a growing threat to current public-key encryption from the emergence of quantum computers. Most internet activities would then be vulnerable to attack by an adversary. But can the physical laws of the universe be used to create a system of communication that is impossible to eavesdrop on without being detected? This work is part of the Quantum Communication Hub, one of the hubs of the National Quantum Technologies Programme (QTP). This session includes an in-depth look at polarisation and the wave/particle nature of light. Other innovative technologies are also being pursued by the QTP, including the ability to image through clouds, or around corners.

Location : MAB221, Anglia Ruskin University,  
Bishop Hall Lane, Chelmsford CM1 1SQ

Attendance is free and open to all – no reservation required  
For further information please contact: [david.d.hall@physics.org](mailto:david.d.hall@physics.org)

Last Saturday, we were lucky enough to participate in the annual Chemistry Race at the Department of Chemistry in Cambridge. There were over eighty teams of five people from schools all across the country. We spent the day solving complex and stimulating problems which expanded upon the content covered in Chemistry A-Level. It was quite challenging but also great fun when we were solving the problems as well as incorporating our team work skills and working together under the time limit.

Well done to Javee, Parisa, Diya and Manaal.



## CCHS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

We have a busy few weeks after half term with the Year 7-9 disco in the first week after half term!

Please have a look at the events and the dates and let us know if you can spare a few hours to help out, that would be great!

Below is the link for the next events sign up:

<https://forms.office.com/r/pgSmEFbAfH>

The events we need help with are:

Friday 24/2/23 Disco Years 7 -9 (need as many volunteers as possible please!)

Thursday 9/3/23 - Dance Production

Friday 10/3/23 - used book sale

Friday 10/3/23 - Dance Production

Friday 17/3/23 - Mothers Day sale

Thursday 23/3/23 - Donut sale



# CCHS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

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presents:

## Spring YEAR 7-9 DISCO

MAIN HALL

7-9PM FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

DJ JO-JO

Prizes for best Spring Theme Fancy Dress

DOORS OPEN AT 6:45pm

tickets on ParentPay £7 in advance  
£10 on the door  
card machine available

