Headteacher - Mr Stephen Lawlor



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

MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

Yesterday was World Book Day. Since it was first celebrated in the UK and Ireland over 25 years ago, the day has grown to become an essential calendar fixture for schools and communities. Highlighting the importance of reading, for education and for pleasure – with all that flows from this in terms of academic and personal development – has always been an important part of life in our school. We are very fortunate to have two wonderful librarians – Mrs Howell and Mrs Davis. Each day, they provide support, encouragement and inspiration to students, and staff, in our state of the art library. We are fortunate to have over 11,000 books in our library, and thanks to Mrs Howell's excellent Amazon Wishlist initiative, and the continued generosity of parents, this collection is still growing.

On Thursday 9th March we will be welcoming the author Sufiya Ahmed, who will be giving talks in the library about her books and the inspiration that lies behind them. Ms Ahmed is an advocate for girls' and women's rights, and her talks will address the challenges she faces as a feminist, as well as her previous careers in advertising and in the Houses of Parliament.



SPOTLIGHT

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

As school SENDCo it is my role to oversee the provision we make for students who have any special or additional educational needs. This can be in a range of areas such as a physical disability, a medical condition, or other mental health or communication challenges. I try to identify strategies to ensure that all students can access the curriculum without any barriers to learning and I offer guidance to help teaching staff put in place classroom adjustments that can make such a difference to some students and enable them to flourish at CCHS.

The SENDCo offers advice to parents or students if they feel they may need further support. For those students whose needs have been more formally identified, there are regular meetings to discuss how things are going and to ensure that support strategies change and evolve as students move up through the school.

I also work with the Examinations Team and as the school's in-house assessor for access arrangements I help to ensure that we have the appropriate evidence to put in place examination adjustments for those who need them.

It is great privilege to work in this role alongside the Pastoral Team, and to see students grow in confidence and self-belief during their time at CCHS

Mrs K Adams , SENDCo.



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.



Sadhana (7F), has passed her Karate Grading Exam and secured her brown belt

Congratulations, Sadhana



CCHS Athlete of the Week

Eloise (9F), played excellent hockey in the recent U14 Hockey 7's festival. She was a stellar role model to the younger players in the team.

Well done, Eloise!



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





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



<u>@pe_cchs</u>



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ARTIST OF THE WEEK - Anna, Year 11, for her creative cardboard sculpture of a boat.

Wonderful work.





Ellie (7C), achieved Swim England qualification times to compete in the Essex Age Group Championships this year, which were held on 3rd/4th and 25/26th February. She swam in her four favourite events and achieved new personal best times in each, doing particularly well in the 50 m backstroke, where she took 2 1/2 seconds off her previous best time.

Well done, Ellie!



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Abigail (7c), and came first in her gymnastics competition, with scores of vault :9.60 bars :11.50 beam:7.50 floor 8.80. Total :37.40

Congratulations, Abigail!



Huge congratulations to Femi (13VCA) and Emily (12JVI) for their success in the UK Linguistics Olympiad at Advanced Level, achieving a Silver and Gold award respectively. Emily's achievement places her in the top 90 students nationally, and she will progress to the next round of the competition which leads towards selection for the UK team in the International Linguistics Olympiad.

We congratulate Emily, too, on being the highest placed UK entry in the Online Linguistics Olympiad – a global contest open to students from around the world.



We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday with a Big Book Swap and a Masked Reader Competition – both were very popular.

The competition winners will be announced on Monday.



Congratulations to Amal (7A) and Sophie (7C), who have been selected as winners in a World Book Day writing competition run by Stansted Airport.

They were tasked with writing a poem or short story about an aspect of travelling, whether it was to do with life or work at the airport, or the experience of flying or travelling.

Their work will be featured in Stansted's new 'Little Book of Travel Tales', copies of which will be sent to the school.



CONGRATULATIONS

Key Dates

Dance Show	Thursday 9th and Friday 10th March 2023
Year 9 Options Evening	Tuesday 14th March 2023
ABRSM Examinations	Wednesday 22nd March 2023
Year 10 Parents Evening	Thursday 30th March 2023



We have raised an amazing **£1820** so far.

If you would like to donate, payment will be continue to be available on Parent Pay this weekend.





Last Friday saw the PA hold our first ever spring disco, which was a huge success with over 225 tickets sold.

Year 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed dancing in

the Main Hall with DJ JoJo, market stalls, Guessing games, Photobooth, refreshments, popcorn, waffles, sweets and more. Prizes were given for the best costumes as chosen by our staff. And there were even more prizes up for grabs in our Sideshow alley- featuring Nerf wars and The Ping Pong Game. Mr Copper tried in vain to wrest the Nerf title from eventual winners Team HAP. We plan to hold a Halloween Dance in October, so start planning your costumes now!



Dancing the night away in the hall

Sixth Form volunteers selling with a smile



Nerf wars are a serious

business

Mmmmm... Waffles were a big hit with all!



Nerf Champions, Team HAP



Powered by popcorn, courtesy of PA volunteer Hazel



Bespoke jewellery made by Anoushka



PA volunteers- at the heart of all we do

Thanks to all of our volunteers-

PA parents, Sixth Form led by Hannah and Eleanor, and our two Yr 11 students. Special thanks to staff who assisted, especially Mr Cable for allowing us to paint his face once again!

We are thrilled to have raised £2062 for CCHS.



Barracudas Activity Day Camps, the UK's favourite school holiday provider for children aged 4½ to 14 years, will be open at our school this Easter. 80+ exciting activities including archery, arts and crafts, motorsports, sports, teambuilding and much more!

Ofsted registered, confidence building camps with high staff to child ratios, plus parents of the school receive an extra £10 off per child per week if they quote code HSCP23 at the time of booking.

Book now at www.barracudas.co.uk or call 01480 467 567.

