



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

MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

An important part of our work with students across all year groups relates to Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education. Our PSHE Lead, Mrs Buckley, has been doing excellent work across the past three years, setting a vision, reviewing materials and seeking opportunities to progress our provision.

Indeed, through her work with the PSHE Association, Mrs Buckley has secured an opportunity for our school to pilot new lessons before they are rolled out to the rest of the country. The project we are undertaking with the PSHE Association relates to media literacy, which will involve students across KS3 and KS4 year groups.

To find out more about our PSHE work, please visit our website:

PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education) - Chelmsford County High School for Girls (cchs.co.uk)

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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

The origin of Politics lies in the debate of how to distribute limited resources, which in turn leads to the competition for power to distribute those resources. Certainly in recent times with the age of austerity, Brexit, the pandemic and now the cost of living crisis these debates have become more prevalent as we all look for the best way to manage the resources our country has. As co-subject leader for Politics it is my privilege to help and guide students in finding out the different ways across a wide political spectrum that this can be done.

The Politics Department at CCHS is one of the newest departments in the school. Originally formed in September 2016, Mr Warner and myself started out with just 11 students. Since then we have steadily grown to the point where we now have over 60 students taking the subject across Years 12 and 13 and have, in part at least, inspired some of our students to go onto study not just Politics, but PPE, International Relations and Human, Social and Political Science at a number of different universities.

Our curriculum, which focuses on UK and US Politics, aims to help students become independent thinkers as well as learners. We encourage and help students to articulate their arguments on both sides of a debate and use critical analysis in order for them to develop their own views as a result. We also encourage links within and outside the school. Our annual trip with our Year 12 students to the Houses of Parliament every December has become a much valued part of the school calendar and our students develop links and connections with other subjects through regular participation in the weekly Humanities Society.

As 2024 begins to appear on the horizon, bringing with it, an inevitable general election for the United Kingdom and a US Presidential election – which given the circumstances that currently surround Mr Trump, could potentially be the most controversial election in a long while, We think it is safe to say that it is an incredibly exciting time to study Politics.

Mr T. Hughes and Mr T. Warner
Subject Leaders for Government and Politics



Chelmsford County High School for Girls

Keep on swimming!



Context

The CCHS swimming pool was built in the 1960s, partly from funds raised by CCHS families. Dedicated upgrading and maintenance work over the years has ensured that the pool has served generations of students and young people across the Chelmsford community.

At the moment, our pool supports the PE curriculum for our 1,162 students, as well as nearly 200 pupils from five local primary schools, and nearly 600 young people from the wider community who use our pool with clubs.

Our swimming pool is truly a community pool.

Goal

Now is the time to modernise this important community resource to preserve it for future generations of students, pupils and young people. We are asking for your support now, just as the CCHS community rallied in the 1960s to ensure a pool was built, to help us achieve this important goal.

Fundraising

We estimate that the pool will require up to £250,000 over the next two years to bring it back to a suitable condition to support swimming in our community for the foreseeable future.

Our immediate need is to replace our aged boiler and gas pipework, which will cost approximately £35,000.

We will be organising some sponsored events and other fundraising activities, however if you are able to support us with any amount, we have a fundraising page available at <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/appeal/Keep-CCHS-Swimming>





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.



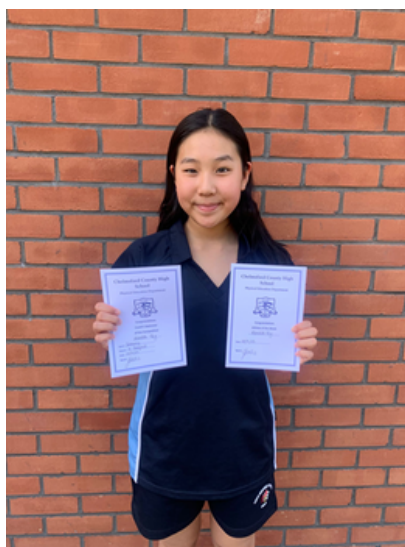
Ríona, (8A), competed in the International Ballroom Dance Championships this week.

She danced against the top dancers in the world in many hard fought rounds and was rewarded by becoming the International Vice Champion U14 and Finalist (top 6) U16.

Congratulations, Ríona!

Athlete of the Week this week goes to Meredith, (7C), for her outstanding swimming in her first gala representing CCHS.

Well done!



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.

[@pe_cchs](https://www.instagram.com/pe_cchs)





ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Rachel, (10A), for this highly skilled pencil drawing.
Well done, Rachel!

Years 10 & 11 History revision guide collection.



If you are a Year 10 or Year 11 History student and have ordered a revision guide, please head to room V7, 1st lunch on Monday 9th October to pick up your purchases.



How You Can Help Your Child Prepare for Exams

Tuesday 17th October 6:00-7:00pm (GMT)

Click the link below to register for free

https://go.elevateeducation.com/e/891981/uk-schoolwebinar/pvxyq/575204544?h=6VHXVDTTwYUMi_61fHW1OChhk3FyTss419TZhasE79M

We're excited to announce that Elevate Education will be hosting their next parent webinar on exam preparation on October 17th.

Elevate works with our students, delivering high-impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series, you'll learn how you can help support your children at home by reinforcing the skills they're learning at school.

Sign up for the session to learn how you can help your child to get ready for their assessments and walk into the exam hall feeling confident and prepared.

Here's what Elevate will be covering on the night:

- ✓ Prioritise your child's high-impact work to maximise marks
- ✓ Improve your child's time management to avoid last-minute preparation
- ✓ Help your child study effectively using past papers

Donate a book to the Library!

If you would like to donate a book to the library from our Amazon wishlist, please click [HERE](#).

The new Year 7s, Year 12s and our returning students have come into school full of enthusiasm for borrowing books, and we would love to add some new titles for them.

Thank you,

Mrs Howell and Mrs Davis



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IoP – CSES Lecture at CCHS

On Friday 26th September, CCHS had the opportunity to host another early edition of the Institute of Physics public lecture on the topic 'Imaging the Universe'. The lecture delivered by Martin Bracken, a lifelong amateur astronomer, was well-attended by members of the CCHS community and neighbouring schools.

"I always thought that producing detailed images of galaxies and nebulae millions of light years away was only possible for large telescopes in remote locations - it is hard to believe that you can obtain these images from areas with such poor weather and light pollution, like Chelmsford! Obtaining such images is actually quite complex - naturally, there is a lot of equipment with expensive technology required, but the processing of the images is also a vital part to producing them - the images must be stacked, calibration frames need to be added and electronic noise must also be removed, which can be time consuming! The whole procedure was explained in a clear and concise manner (which made it easier to understand) - I really enjoyed learning about it!"

Rucha (12JBR)

"The recent astrophysics lecture gave me a deeper insight into the lives of many people who work tirelessly in order to derive detailed and extraordinary images of our universe. The great effort behind one single image awakened a sense of true respect and admiration to a man so devoted to his hobbies in which I feel the audience was truly fascinated by. Coupled with the informative nature of the lecture, these topics sparked discussion in which I believe was necessary for us to reflect and converse with the speaker who very confidently led a talk that resonated with his passions & deep-rooted love for astronomy."

Lily (12 MCT)



18-24 October
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MAGGIE ADERIN-POCOCK
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ADAM RUTHERFORD
24TH OCTOBER, 7.30PM

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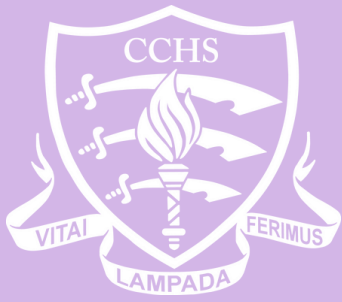
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The PA are pleased to announce that the winners of the Wishlist Lottery are:

For August:

1st Prize £50 Mr and Mrs M.Bowan-Long

2nd Prize £25 Mr K.D.Ellis

3rd Prize £25 Mr P.J.Lloyd

For September:

1st Prize £50 Mr and Mrs I.R.Cameron

2nd Prize £25 Mr and Mrs C.I. Chiappa

3rd Prize £25 Mr S.R.George

Cheques have been given out at school. Thank you for continuing to support the CCHS PA Wishlist Lottery.