Headteacher - Mr Stephen Lawlor



Inspiring the leaders of tomorrow to think for themselves and act for others
MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

On Tuesday of this week we held our annual Year 12 Freshers' Fair. This important event affords Year 12 students the opportunity to meet with the many Year 13 students who organise and run the host of clubs and societies which are such an integral part of our enrichment culture at CCHS.

Not only do these clubs and societies enable students to pursue their academic and broader interests; they also provide students with leadership opportunities. This speaks directly to our school vision: inspiring the leaders of tomorrow to think for themselves and act for others.

Such realities clearly resonate with able and ambitious young women, which explains why so many students choose to join the CCHS Sixth Form from other schools. Indeed, the richness of intellectual life at our school is well demonstrated by the CCHS Institute, which brings together guest speakers from universities, the professions and our alumnae to motivate and inspire our students and community. Dr Palmer works with staff, students, parents, the alumnae and friends of the school to organise and run a range of activities and events each year for our community.

https://www.cchs.co.uk/academic/the-cchs-institute/



Dear CCHS Community,

RE: Arrival at and departure from school

I have received feedback from local residents about their experiences during periods when students are arriving at and departing from school. Each week, in our Friday bulletin, we include a reminder about the importance of road safety at these times. Local residents have raised associated issues, with some parents parking inappropriately, e.g. across driveways, and dangerously, e.g. on footpaths.

CCHS has been part of this local community since 1907 and our relationships with and respect for our local community are very important to us, as I know they will be for you. Clearly we are a big school, as all the other local schools are. You may have noticed that CCHS senior staff are out on gate duty each morning and afternoon to ensure the safety of students as they leave, board buses and coaches, etc.

I ask for your continued vigilance and co-operation, please, to ensure that if you are dropping off or collecting your daughter, you remain mindful of the local residents around the school, including First Avenue, Corporation Road, Swiss Avenue, Westfield Avenue and Elms Drive, please.

Thank you in advance for your support with this - it is appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Lawlor.

Please be aware of your surroundings when dropping off and picking up students to and from school. The area directly outside our school, in Broomfield Road, is a very busy thoroughfare. A vehicle which is not parked safely can be dangerous for other vehicles, as can dropping off/picking up students in the buslane.







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.

Lilly (9A), Izzy (9S). and Frankie (9S) – ran amazingly at the National Cross Country Championships this weekend to help their club secure team Gold – fastest U13 girls' team in the country!

Awesome running from them all!







Last weekend, Isabella (10G), was selected by Chelmsford Athletics Club to compete in the Eastern Young Athletes League, held at Stonex Stadium.

She achieved an impressive 3rd place in the 200 metres, setting a personal best of 26.72 seconds and took 1st place in the U15 Girls Relay. Her relay team narrowly missed the club record by just 0.2 seconds. The club as a whole triumphed, emerging as both league and cup winners.

This accomplishment is particularly significant for Isabella, as she returned to competing after sustaining a quad injury during the Essex Schools Championships.



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Sarah (11A) won two medals at the 2024 Essex Juniors Restricted Badminton Tournament.

U16 Winners in Mixed Doubles and Runners Up in Girls Doubles





We are delighted that our English and Mathematics departments have been awarded The Prince's Teaching Institute Subject Mark for 2024. The PTI Mark acknowledges a department's work as a member of the Department Development Programme. Members commit to developing a challenging curriculum, enthusing students through extra-curricular subject-based activities, enriching teachers' own subject knowledge and encouraging subject links. The English and Mathematics departments have been awarded the mark in recognition of their achievement across these four key development areas which place the subject at the heart of teaching.





We were delighted to able to host another very successful Freshers' Fair on Tuesday. This enabled our Year 13 students who have so many leadership roles in school clubs, societies, sport, music, dance and other areas to showcase the range of activities on offer at CCHS to our Year 12 students. It was also an opportunity to encourage the Year 12s to sign up for as many academic and non-academic opportunities as possible. The enthusiasm of both year groups was palpable and we are sure that the CCHS Sixth Form will continue to enjoy a huge range of extra-curricular activities which all students will find enjoyable and rewarding.

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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION GRAMMATICUS CHOIR NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for CCHS parents, teachers and old girls, to join our choir and help us raise funds for the school, whilst having fun at the same time!

We are a joint choir with KEGS parents and currently have 38 members of mixed voices, singing all types of music from classical to musicals and pop.

There is no requirement to read music and definitely NO audition! Just come along to a rehearsal and see if it's for you.

Rehearsals are in term time only, in the CCHS drama studio and run from 7.20pm to 9.15pm on Monday evenings.

If you would like more information, or plan to come to a rehearsal, please contact Sarah at <u>sraybould@hotmail.com</u> We would love to see you!



ARTIST OF THE WEEK- Stella in Year 11, for her mixed media gut reaction book responding to the theme of Love. Well done.



Many congratulations to all our Jack Petchey Award winners for 2023-4. They were celebrated at the Jack Petchey Awards Evening at Chelmsford Civic Theatre, together with Mrs Kurian who was celebrated for her dedicated and enthusiastic leadership of so many STEM projects at CCHS.



Mrs Kurian, Maisie, (13VCA), Amelia, (12DNO), Riya, (9S), Evangeline, (11C), Prethika, (DNO), Amelia,(Sixth Form leaver), Amelia, (10C)

We would like to nominate Mrs Kurian who is our subject leader for Physics and STEM Project Leader in recognition of her outstandling work with students and empowering young women in STEM. Mrs Kurian has been an integral part of our school STEM provision, leading the way in developing and expanding our STEM initiative. Her passion for Science, Technology, Engineering and Physics, is not only evident in her work but also contagious, inspiring both students and colleagues alike.

One of Mrs Kurian's most significant contributions is her tireless commitment establishing strong partnerships with external organisations and professionals in the STEM community. This has not only broadened our students' exposure to realworld applications of STEM but has also provided invaluable networking opportunities for women seeking to build successful careers in these fields. She frequently runs events in school where our students get the opportunity to work alongside engineers and electronics specialists giving our students insight into these important fields.

Mrs Kurian has exhibited exemplary leadership, dedication and innovation in advancing out STEM programme and promoting STEM opportunities to the students we support. Her contributions have not only elevated CCHS's STEM provision but have positively impacted the lives and career trajectories of countless students.





Next week in PSHE - Tuesday 24th September - Period 2.

- Year 7 Personal safety
- Year 8 Protecting personal data online.
- Year 9 Alcohol education
- Year 10 Building resilience.
- Year 11. Sex education and pregnancy.
- Year 12 Emotional wellbeing.
- Year 13 UCAS preparation.

Autumn Term Parent Support Series

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Free Parent Webinars

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In the Autumn Term, we'll cover:

How to Get (And Keep) Your Child

- 1. Motivated - 17th September @6:00pm
- How You Can Help Your Child Manage
 Their Time

 1st October @6:00pm
 - How You Can Help Your Child Set Up
- for Success in Exams- 15th October @6:00pm
- How You Can Help Improve Your
 Child's Memory

 19th November @6:00pm
- How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child
 3rd December @6:00pm
- 6. How to Help Your Child Alleviate Stress
 - 17th December @6:00pm



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THANK YOU TO ALL VOLUNTEERS

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Context

Keep on swimming!

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

