



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

MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

On Friday 17th October, CCHS was proud to again organise, host, and run the UK International Coalition of Girls' Schools (ICGS) Student Leadership Symposium, for senior students, following the highly successful inaugural symposium CCHS led and hosted last year. Miss Harrison (Deputy Headteacher) and Miss Burnham (Year Leader) again arranged an excellent programme of keynote presentations and a host of workshops for students from UK and European girls' schools. As last year, we were delighted that members of the CCHS Alumnae attended to inspire students. I note below feedback from Megan Murphy, ICGS Global Executive Director:

I want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire team for delivering such a remarkable Student Leadership Symposium today. Across the time zones, Sharon Cromie (ICGS UK Regional Director) kept me abreast of the day's energy and success, sharing glowing reports about how exceptionally well-organised and inspiring the programme was. From the thought-provoking keynotes to the engaging workshops and reflections, it was clear that every element was thoughtfully crafted to empower and elevate student voice. The leadership, professionalism, and dedication to cultivating student agency shone through at every stage. This event stands as a keystone offering within the ICGS student leadership portfolio, exemplifying the best of what our coalition can provide in developing the next generation of girls' school leaders. Thank you for the extraordinary work and for setting such a high bar of excellence.

And yesterday, we held our own Year 11 Leadership Conference – an event which has become an important school tradition and speaks directly to our shared commitment to excellence in girls' education and empowerment. Events such as these and what they signify are noteworthy for CCHS, given that this academic year the school community is marking both the 120th anniversary of the first girls to be taught at the school, and the 110th anniversary of the first CCHS Alumna to complete university studies: Winifred Picking, Girton College, Cambridge, 1916.

Thank you to all members of the CCHS community for the hard work and support which has animated school life over the past weeks. I wish CCHS staff, students and families well for the October half-term period, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 3rd November.

CCHS – VISION, AIMS & VALUES

We amplify and fortify our vision and aims to cultivate core values which direct and drive our work. These values form our educational covenant with our school community:

CITIZENSHIP

Inspire future citizens to think for themselves and to act for others.

(Amplification of School Vision: 'Developing the leaders of tomorrow')



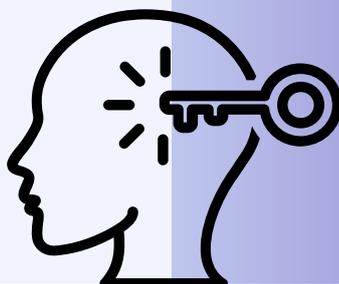
DUTY

Students will conduct themselves with civility and compassion at all times, supporting each other and looking beyond themselves. (Amplification of School Aim 3: 'Contributing to the community')



ENLIGHTENMENT

Equip students with the insight and determination to embrace new ideas, technology and innovation, enabling them to contribute to the ever-changing natural and physical world around them. (Mathematics, Computer Science and Natural Sciences subjects)



DISTINCTION

Students will be provided with an outstanding education and we expect them to do their best in all endeavours. (Amplification of School Aim 1: 'The pursuit of excellence')



CHALLENGE

Students will be stimulated to acquire new knowledge & understanding and motivated to develop new skills & attributes. (Amplification of School Aim 2: 'Fulfilling individual potential')

IMAGINATION

Enable students to explore new ideas and empathise with the thinking of others, without limitation or risk. (English, Sport and Arts subjects)



DIVERSITY

Provide students with the tools to respect and celebrate the great diversity of cultures, backgrounds and beliefs, within and beyond the School, whilst recognising that we have more in common than that which divides us. (Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences subjects)



D e s i d e r a t a

G O P L A C I D L Y amid the noise

and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

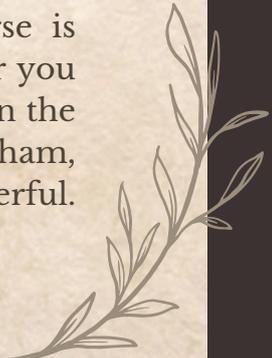
Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

by Max Ehrmann ©1927





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.

Mila, (8H), has recently been selected to represent Essex in girls' Hockey for 25/26, which is the foundation phase of the England Hockey player pathway.



ESSEX HOCKEY

Mila has worked extremely hard and played well for her local club In Chelmsford.



ENGLAND HOCKEY
PLAYER PATHWAY

Well done, Mila!

CCHS PA'S
CONGRATULATIONS TO

EMILY 7G
Winner of 2025
Puddings Label Competition

Well done to **ALL** contestants for great designs!
And thank you for all pudding orders so far...

**REMEMBER TO ORDER YOURS
ON PARENTPAY
BY FRIDAY OCTOBER 31ST, 2025**

Arrival at and departure from school

We continue to engage with local residents (First Avenue, Corporation Road, Swiss Avenue, Westfield Avenue and Elms Drive) concerning their experiences during student arrival and departure periods.

Further to my communications on this matter previously, I note below key points of information to support CCHS families:

- Chelmsford City Council provided the following about the use of Rectory Lane car park:

“Please be advised there is a standard five-minute grace period on all vehicles to allow the purchase of a pay and display ticket. Therefore, any vehicles that are in the car park for the purposes of dropping off and / or picking up should fall within that grace period.”

- As a result of the concerns raised by local residents regarding instances of inconsiderate and at times dangerous parking, South Essex Parking Partnership noted that their Parking Enforcement Team will be stepping up their patrols in the area.
- Our School Eco Committee is undertaking work, supported by the local authority, to explore how students travel to and from school, and how we could support both school families and the wider community with matters of travel, parking and congestion.
- Our Senior Leadership Team is working with local officials and local politicians on the matter of parking and congestion, and we have made suggestions to support this work, including the idea of creating a new entrance/exit point to the school site on the Chelmer Valley Road (east side of the campus).

Thank you, as ever, for your support in ensuring that we are mindful of local residents, as we work to keep people safe and relations cordial.

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.



ROAD SAFETY

CCHS News this week...

WORLD MENOPAUSE DAY

Posted: 18th October 2025

"World Menopause Day is held every year on 18th October. As a global non-profit organisation leading the way since 1978, the International Menopause Society (IMS) founded World Menopause Day in 2009 to raise awareness of menopause and improve the experience of women around the world."

World Menopause Day 2025 - International Menopause Society



CCHS INSTITUTE LECTURE

Posted: 21st October 2025

Dr Anke Bernau, Senior Lecturer at The University of Manchester, delivered a fascinating (online) CCHS Institute lecture yesterday evening: *Stories for Life; or, Can Literature Save the World?* Thank you to Mr Carter for arranging this academic enrichment opportunity for students and staff.

The CCHS Institute - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



YEAR 11 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Posted: 23rd October 2025

We are looking forward to our Year 11 Leadership Conference today, as part of our strong commitment to excellence in girls' education and empowerment.

Welcome to Global Chelmsford - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



Reminder...

Help your daughter to be prepared for the school day by planning ahead the night before. This will help them to remember items such as; instruments, water bottles, homework, books, lunches...

If forgotten, please refrain from bringing them to school for delivery.

Thank you.

This week in PSJFE

YEAR GROUP	TUESDAY 4 TH NOVEMBER				PERIOD	2
	A	C	F	G	H	S
7	First aid pt 2	Friendship				
8	Introduction to Discrimination					
9	Credit cards vs Debit cards	Self-defense	Borrowing money.			
10	Perfectionism – part 1					
11	MOCK EXAMINATIONS					
12	Consent – part 1					
13	Electives – session 1					

Artist *of the week*



ARTIST OF THE WEEK- Martha in Year 13 for her incredible transcription. Makes our eyes go funny! Well done.

CCHS PA Presents....

MATILDA - THE MUSICAL



MOVIE

★ **NIGHT** ★

WEDS | 19TH NOV |

4:30PM to 6:30PM

Open to students in Years 7 to 9, come and watch Matilda - The Musical. Each ticket includes a drink and a bag of popcorn to enjoy during the film. Other snacks are available to purchase on the night via cash or card.

TICKETS:

**£8 IN ADVANCE VIA PARENT PAY
OR £10 ON THE DOOR**



CCHS PA is a registered UK charity no. #287962, all funds raised benefit CCHS. Film viewing permitted under MMLC license 674845.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE CCHS

Winter Fayre 2025

The Winter Fayre is the Parents' Association's biggest fundraiser, raising over £5,000 last year to support school improvements. With nearly 40 stalls offering games and gifts, the Fayre depends on generous donations from students, parents, and friends.

We'd be grateful for anything you can contribute!

Ways to donate:

- Send items into school **ASAP** & leave at Reception
- Purchase gifts from our Amazon Wishlist by scanning this QR Code. Deadline **Monday 17th Nov**



[Click Here to Buy](#)

What we also really need:

- **Small prizes:** toys, sweets, little gifts
- **Christmas Hamper Raffle:** quality hamper-style food
- **Gift Stall / White Elephant:** new or excellent condition items
- **Chocolate Tombola:** selection boxes, tubs, bars, multipacks
- **Cakes for Refreshments:** homemade or shop-bought (bring to school on 21st November with a copy of the ingredients list for allergen safety purposes).
- **Grand Christmas Draw prizes:** including gift vouchers ( pa@cchs.co.uk)

Items can be left at school reception any time, or in the dedicated drop-off times in the school Dining Hall. PA reps will be there between 8:00 – 8:45am on:

Tues 18th November

Weds 19th November

Thanks for your support – every little helps! We look forward to seeing you at the Winter Fayre on Saturday 22nd November.



Elevate Education's Autumn Term

Parent Webinar Series

Elevate Education delivers high-impact workshops to our students that help to develop their study skills, motivation, and exam preparation. Over the next term, you're invited to join their parent webinar series, where you can help support your child at home by reinforcing the skills they're learning at school.

How You Can Help Improve Your Child's Memory

18th November 6:00pm (GMT)

How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child

2nd December 6:00pm (GMT)

How to Help Your Child Alleviate Stress

16th December 6:00pm (GMT)

Register today at: <https://go.elevateeducation.com/ukschoolwebinar>

The background is a vibrant green with various Christmas-themed decorations. At the top, there are five ornaments: two red circles with white snowflake patterns, two gold teardrop shapes with white star patterns, and one red circle with a white geometric pattern. White snowflakes of various sizes are scattered throughout. Red holly leaves with three red berries are also present. A red and white striped candy cane is on the left side. The text is centered and uses a mix of white and red colors.

CCHS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

CCHS WINTER FAYRE

CRAFT STALLS
FOOD & DRINKS
GAMES - RAFFLE
LIVE MUSIC

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Saturday 22nd November
2025

ADMISSION £1
STUDENTS FREE
CARD MACHINE AVAILABLE

CHELMSFORD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL,
BROOMFIELD ROAD, CHELMSFORD

Help us do more for your daughters – success through community



Success through Community

We are launching the CCHS Foundation¹ as a school community enterprise dedicated to raising funds, through voluntary contributions each year, to provide your daughters with more:

- more resources, including books, journals and websites
- more facilities, including
- ICT infrastructure and digital learning devices
- and more opportunities, including
- enrichment activities and educational visits

How to contribute financially towards the CCHS Foundation:

1. Set up a Regular payment by Standing Order with your Bank

This provides the Foundation with a regular income to allow us to plan ahead more effectively, and can be set to a payment amount, frequency and date to suit you. Please contact the school at finance@cchs.co.uk for our bank details.

2. Payment via ParentPay

You should find a payment item assigned to your daughter on ParentPay entitled 'Donate to CCHS Foundation'. Payment may be made via debit or credit card, and the amount can be edited to suit your wishes. Payments may be made as often as you like to suit your circumstances.

Additional payment items may be available at various times, 'giving days', for donating towards a specific fundraising goal.

3. Gift Aid

However you choose to contribute, if you are a UK tax payer, we can benefit further if you complete a Gift Aid Declaration form. This means that we can reclaim from HMRC any income tax you have paid on your donations to us, at a basic tax rate of 20%. The form can be accessed [here](#).

¹ The CCHS Foundation is not a distinct legal entity but a term we are using for this initiative under CCHS's exempt charitable status as an academy.

Ways to donate towards CCHS Capital projects:

1. TotalGiving

The School has set up an online fundraising page via [TotalGiving](#). This allows you to make regular or single contributions online using a credit or debit card. Gift Aid for eligible donations can also be processed through this route.

2. Giving through an employer scheme:

Payroll Giving

Payroll Giving (also known as ‘Give As You Earn’) is a valuable, long term source of revenue, providing regular income to help charities budget and plan more effectively. Your donation can often be made from your pre-tax income. Please ask your employer about this scheme.

As an academy, the School is considered to be an exempt charity and as such does not need to register with the Charity Commission. However, our charitable status is registered with HMRC. ‘Chelmsford County High School for Girls’ should be used as the reference on the payroll giving paperwork.

Company Gifts & Matched Funding

Some companies operate schemes allowing employees to nominate a charity for a company donation. This is often under a ‘matched funding’ programme whereby a company will match the donation made by the employee to their chosen charity. Please ask your employer about this scheme.

3. CAF Giving – more details

The Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) makes giving to charity easy. Through CAF, the value of your donation is increased via tax relief, and you have the option to donate anonymously.

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Leaving a Legacy Please consider leaving the School a legacy in your will. If you leave a gift to a charity such as CCHS, its value will be deducted from your estate (your money, possessions and property) before Inheritance Tax is calculated.

Thank you, in advance, for any support you can provide to the students of CCHS

