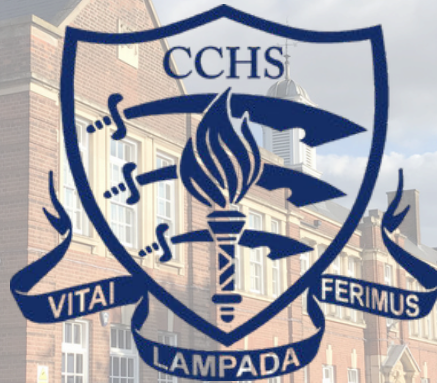


# CCHS Laudatio

8th May 2026



Founded 1907

A leading academic school community,  
inspired to excellence in education and opportunity for girls

## MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

It was lovely to welcome Year 13 students and their families to the school for Thursday's 'Farewell Evening'. That event set a wonderful tone for today's farewell assembly for these brilliant Year 13 students, as they begin their A-level public examinations, before starting a well-earned long summer. This assembly is one of many important school traditions, offering the school community the opportunity to celebrate and thank these remarkable young women as they prepare to start the next chapters of their lives.

As we have done previously, CCHS co-operated with Chelmsford City Council yesterday to support the local elections, by facilitating a polling station for the south end of the ward. This certainly chimes with our school vision: developing the leaders of tomorrow; by which we mean to inspire future citizens to think for themselves and to act for others. Indeed, in the spirit of school service and citizenship, our KS3 students complete their form captaincy duties with care; our KS4 students undertake their prefect responsibilities with enthusiasm; and our Sixth Form students discharge their duties as officials with aplomb. Moreover, our successful A-level Government & Politics and Economics courses speak directly to these matters of citizenship and current affairs. Thank you to our wonderful Site Team, who ensured all the necessary arrangements were made and carried out, in co-operation with Chelmsford City Council.

**CCHS Inspires**

- PASTORAL SUPPORT & EMPOWERMENT**
  - Anxiety and resilience training with our Future Stories Extra-curricular and Leaders of Tomorrow Programme
  - Outstanding tailored Pastoral provision, including a SEND Quiet Room, Mental Health and stress links with external agencies
  - Cambridge Centre of Excellence School Mental Health Lead Award
  - Career Track & The Children's Society Project Career Award
  - The Local Offer (Local Offer) - CCHS as an Employer's most well-learned and subject schools
- ACADEMIC STRENGTH & SUCCESS**
  - Top 20 state school nationally, The Sunday Times Parent Power School 2024, 2023, 2022 and 2021
  - The Primary Teaching Institute Subject Matters, in recognition of outstanding teaching
  - National Association for Able Children in Education Challenge Award
  - CCHS offers, enabling students to achieve in seminars and essay competitions
  - CCHS offers supporting our able students with opportunities in Cambridge, Oxford and other Russell Group universities
- ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY & ADVENTURE**
  - House Community, building friendships across year groups and bringing joyful competition
  - A range of enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities
  - Discretionary Days across the academic year for all key stages
  - A range of enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities
  - Our Sixth Form Electives Programme, designed to complement students' study with reading, writing and research
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# CCHS Values

## CITIZENSHIP

Inspire future citizens to think for themselves and to act for others. (Amplification of School Vision: 'Developing the leaders of tomorrow')



## 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')



## 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')

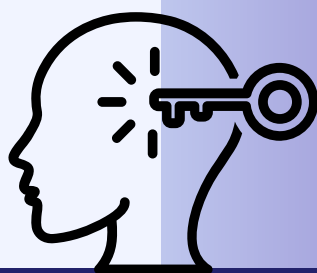
## IMAGINATION

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



## 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)



## 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.

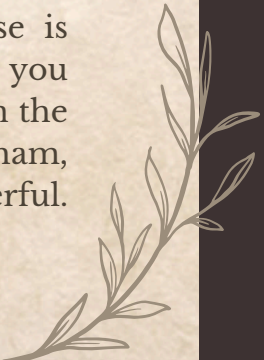
Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face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

Riona, (10A), has had a very successful time of late in her chosen sport of Ballroom & Latin dancing. After being crowned the UK Closed Junior Champion last summer she has continued to go from strength to strength in international competitions. These have seen her represent the UK in Dubai, the Netherlands, Spain and Italy at the most prestigious competitions that one can compete in.

Most recently, at Easter, she competed in two events in Blackpool, These were "Open to the World" events and were truly international. She became the European Ballroom Champion at the first event and, across both disciplines, was the highest ranked UK dancer. At the Blackpool Junior Dance Festival (which is the top international event) she became Vice Champion in Ballroom and was just shy of the podium in Latin, placing 4th. She continues to train at least 4 times a week, as the grand finale of her final season as a Junior competitor is almost upon us.

Well done, Riona!



## CHIGNALS & MASHBURY VILLAGE FETE

6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026  
12 noon – 4 pm  
FREE ADMISSION

including  
FUN DOG SHOW  
& SCARECROW  
COMPETITION



Cakes & Cream Teas Beer Tent & BBQ  
Ice Cream Van

Coconut Shy Bowling for the Pig Splat the Rat

Cake Raffle Grand Prize Draw Plant Stall

Tombola Children's Play Tent Face Painting

### Schedule of events in the Show Ring

12:30 Salvation Army Band  
13:45 Fun dog show  
15:00 Drawing of the raffles  
15:30 Egg throwing competition

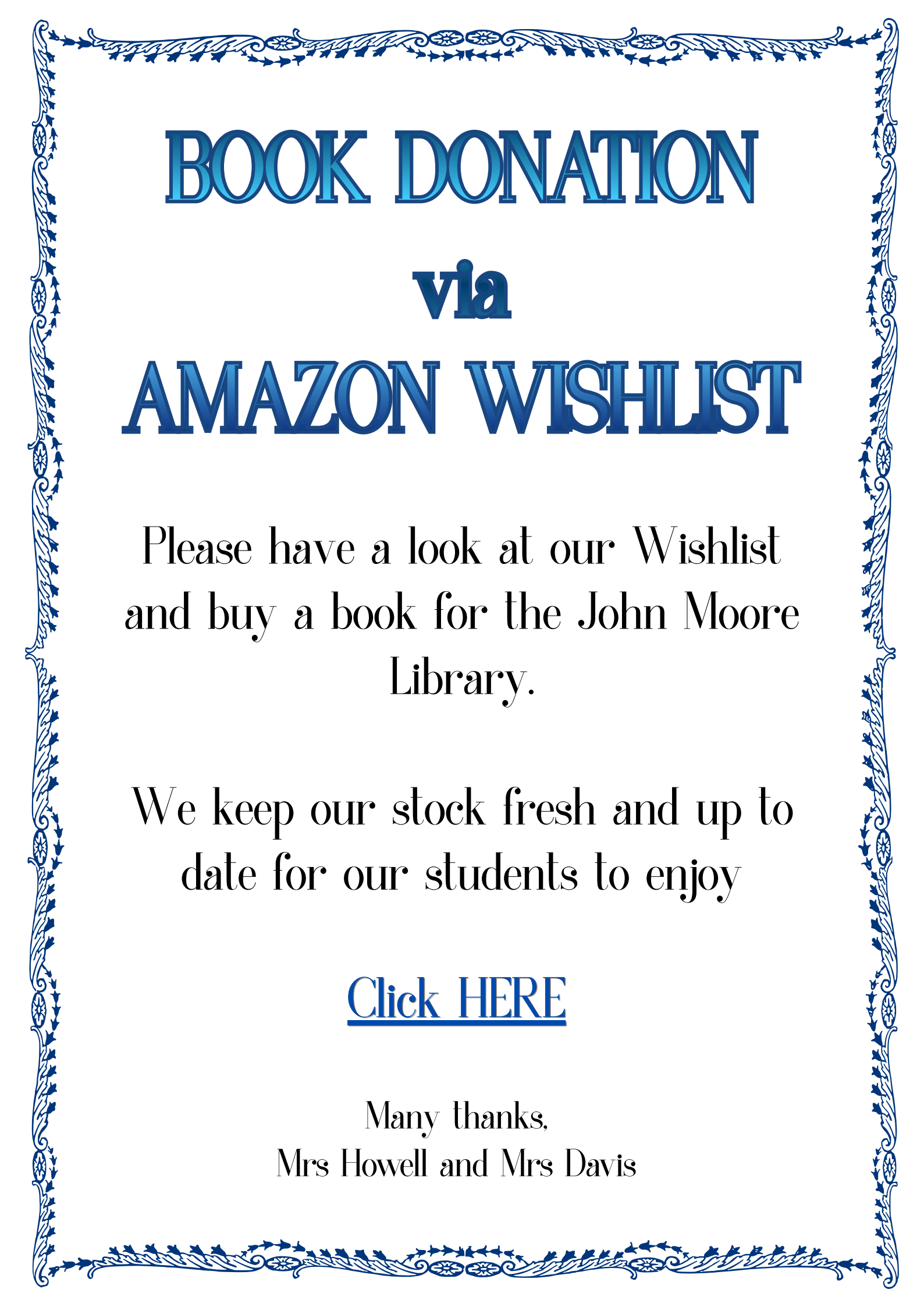
**FREE ENTRY & PARKING**

Village Hall,  
Chignal St James CM1 4TS

# Artist *of the week*



**ARTIST OF THE WEEK - Martha Year 13 for her pixelated painting.**



# BOOK DONATION

via

# AMAZON WISHLIST

Please have a look at our Wishlist  
and buy a book for the John Moore  
Library.

We keep our stock fresh and up to  
date for our students to enjoy

[Click HERE](#)

Many thanks,  
Mrs Howell and Mrs Davis

# POLICY REMINDER

In line with the NHS guidance, it is mandatory that any student experiencing diarrhoea and/or vomiting symptoms remains away from the school setting until they have been symptom-free for 48 hours (the *48-hour rule*) and are feeling well.

This policy helps reduce the spread of contagious illnesses such as stomach bugs (norovirus or rotavirus), which can spread quickly in classrooms.



[Click here for NHS information on this topic](#)

# 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.

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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

# PRIMARY CREATIVE CONFERENCE

Theme: **NATURAL FORMS**

INSPIRE  
EXPLORE  
CREATE!

WORKSHOP LEADER:

**JONATHAN HARVEY-THOMAS**

Head of Art & practising artist  
based in Chelmsford



MONDAY  
**29TH JUNE**  
2026  
9.00 – 3.30

**CHELMSFORD  
COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**  
Broomfield Road,  
Chelmsford,  
CM1 1RW

EXPLORE 4 EXCITING PRINTING TECHNIQUES:

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#### DESIGNED FOR:

Primary school teachers  
and TA's of all experiences  
and levels – and anyone  
who enjoys making things!  
(Limited to two participants  
per school)

#### COURSE OUTCOMES:

- ✓ Practical classroom strategies
- ✓ Take-away booklet, materials & resources to start your projects
- ✓ Discuss key issues in art teaching
- ✓ Help pupils learn more independently, confidently and securely

#### YOU WILL:

- ★ Gain confidence in delivering contemporary art projects
- ★ Learn new, accessible techniques for all key stages
- ★ Promote questioning, creativity and risk-taking
- ★ Get practical ideas for differentiation and progress
- ★ Take away a step-by-step booklet, materials & resources
- ★ Network with other passionate primary teachers



#### INCLUDES:

Morning coffee/tea,  
delicious lunch  
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#### ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED

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all applicants!



#### LUNCH DONATION:

£5.00



#### PLACES LIMITED:

First come,  
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including materials



#### CLOSING DATE:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026



#### APPLY:

e-mail to: [jharvey@cchs.co.uk](mailto:jharvey@cchs.co.uk)

# FREE WEBINAR

## FOR PARENTS/ CARERS

of secondary aged children to support  
with mental health and wellbeing.

Provided by your Mental Health Support Team

@EssexMHST\_and\_SETcamhs

[bit.ly/4ozRciL](https://bit.ly/4ozRciL)



### Coming up in May...

Understanding Autism  
20<sup>th</sup> May 6:30 pm



# Summer Term Parent Support Series

## *Free Parent Webinars*

*Join us and Elevate Education for FREE  
60- minute webinars designed to help you  
support your child's studies at home.*

**[Click here to Register](#)**

### *In the Summer Term, we'll cover:*

**How You Can Help Improve Your  
Child's Memory**

- 12<sup>th</sup> May @6:00pm (BST)

**How to Help Your Child Alleviate  
Stress -9<sup>th</sup> June @6:00pm  
(BST)**

**How to Get (And Keep!) Your  
Child Motivated -23<sup>rd</sup> June  
@6:00pm (BST)**

**How You Can Set Your Child  
Up for Success  
-7<sup>th</sup> July @6:00pm (BST)**



# CCHS News this week...

## HOUSE CRICKET

Posted: 5th May 2026

Good luck to all the students taking part in the House Cricket competitions taking place this week. Our Year 8 competition takes place today, followed by Year 10 tomorrow, and Year 9 on Thursday.

House System - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



## DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE AWARD TRAINING WEEKEND

Posted: 8th May 2026

This weekend, students will be taking part in their Duke of Edinburgh's Award training weekend, where they will develop key expedition skills, including navigation and teamwork, in preparation for their forthcoming expeditions. We wish all participants every success over the weekend.

DoE - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Duke of Edinburgh's Award - Chelmsford County High School for Girls

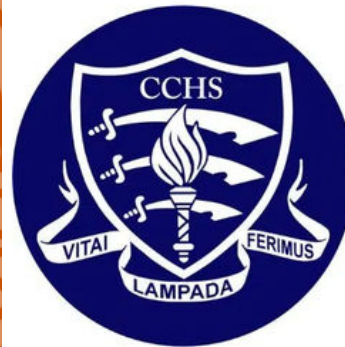


## YEAR 13 ASSEMBLY

Posted: 8th May 2026

Today we hold our final assembly with our Year 13 students, to thank them for the many ways they have enriched our school community and to wish them every success in their forthcoming A-level examinations. Vitai Lampada Ferimus.

Alumnae - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



## INDUSTRIAL CADETS PRESENTATION

Posted: 6th May 2026

Best wishes to the Industrial Cadets Gold team as they present their project to industry experts tomorrow for their Gold Award assessment. A massive thank you to the mentors from Leonardo and the University of Cambridge Engineering Department for their invaluable support in helping the team design and build a small remotely controllable robot capable of delivering medical aid in inaccessible environments.

STEM & STEAM - Chelmsford County High School for Girls

Programmes Industrial Cadets

University of Cambridge



## YEAR 13 PARENTS' FAREWELL EVENING

Posted: 7th May 2026

We look forward to a wonderful celebration evening with our Year 13 students and their parents this evening, as we thank and congratulate this extraordinary year group. We are truly grateful to have taught and worked with them and wish them every success in their forthcoming examinations.

Categories: Uncategorised

## MID ESSEX JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE ATHLETICS TRIALS

Posted: 7th May 2026

Best of luck to all our students competing in the Mid Essex Junior and Intermediate Athletics Trials today." Sports - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



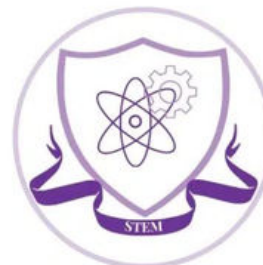
## JUNIOR PHYSICS CHALLENGE

Posted: 5th May 2026

Good luck to all our students participating in the Junior Physics Challenge competition, which is taking place this week and next week.

BPhO

STEM & STEAM - Chelmsford County High School for Girls



# Initial teacher training with Essex Schools ITT



ESSEX SCHOOLS ITT



School-based teacher training with a flexible, online learning programme through Tes Institute. Obtain QTS with optional PGCE.

# 95%

## Completion rate\*

(2024-25 cohort)

(far higher than most providers or institutions)

100% pass rate for PGCE

## TRAIN AT THIS SCHOOL OR ANOTHER ONE LOCAL TO YOU

# 40+

Secondary & primary schools in our partnership... and growing!



Employment rate in the last 10 years

Every year, at least **65%** of trainees secure posts at their main placement school, or nearby partnership school. Many of these before the end of the course

BURSARIES UP TO **£29K\*** PLUS FULLY-FUNDED SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE ENHANCEMENT COURSES FOR MANY SUBJECTS (PAYING £175 PW)

(FOUNDER PREVIOUS YEAR. NEW FIGURES FOR SEPT 2024 AWAITED)

PART TIME OPTION AVAILABLE FOR STRONG APPLICANTS - WE WELCOME CAREER CHANGES AND THOSE RETURNING TO WORK AFTER LEAVING FAMILIES



TEACHING OFFERS GENEROUS STARTING PAY AND EXCELLENT PROSPECTS FOR PROMOTION



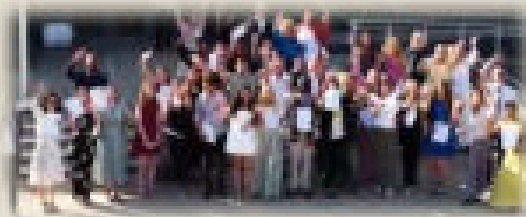
## PGCE WITH QTS



IS AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED QUALIFICATION

"YOU HAVE PROVIDED ME WITH THE TOOLS I NEED TO BE A GREAT TEACHER!"  
OYETOLA, PE TRAINEE

"I FEEL SO COMFORTABLE IN THE CLASSROOM NOW AND COMPLETELY PREPARED TO START MY TEACHING CAREER. THE SUPPORT I'VE RECEIVED HAS BEEN SECOND TO NONE."  
LOTTIE - GEOGRAPHY TRAINEE



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Got a **degree** you're not really using? Looking for a challenging **new career**? Time to think about becoming a **teacher....?**



Graduates 2024-25

**Train to teach at our school, or another one local to you!** Gain qualified teacher status (QTS), and an optional post-graduate certificate in education (PGCE) through the **Essex Schools ITT** initial teacher-training programme.

Join our next **online information event**:

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May, from 7.30pm**

Scan the QR code to view our events page and register via Eventbrite:



<https://www.essexschoolsitt.com/events/>

Our school is part of the **Essex Schools ITT** programme, which allows you to **train with us or in a nearby partnership school**. You'll work as a member of the school team and learn your skills from **experienced professionals**, supplemented by high quality, **online learning sessions** through **Tes Institute**.

**Get tailored, one-to-one advice today:**

Essex Schools ITT in partnership with

**Call:** 020 8498 6718

**Email:** [teach@essexschoolsitt.com](mailto:teach@essexschoolsitt.com)

**Visit:** <https://www.essexschoolsitt.com>



## Our Commitment to Girls' Education

We are proud to be a **founding member of the UK division of the International Coalition of Girls' Schools (ICGS)** – a global organisation dedicated to empowering girls through education and sharing research-based best practices.

The ICGS conducts extensive research into the benefits of an all-girls education, including improved academic outcomes, confidence, and leadership opportunities. These insights help us shape the very best learning environment for your daughter.

### Why should parents engage with this research?

By exploring these studies, you can:

- ✓ Understand the proven advantages of an all-girls education.
- ✓ Gain practical strategies to support your daughter's learning journey.
- ✓ Stay informed about global trends and innovations in girls' education.

We regularly update our website with the latest research findings and will continue to share details when new studies are released.

👉 **Discover more here:** <https://www.cchs.co.uk/about-us/girls-education-research/>

Together, we can ensure every student thrives and becomes a leader of tomorrow.

## This week in PSHE

YEAR GROUP	THURSDAY 14 <sup>th</sup> MAY				PERIOD	5
	A	C	F	G	H	S
7	Importance of sleep.					
8	Careers lesson pt1 with Dr Hiner					
9 *	Types of long-term commitments & relationships					
10	Staying safe from harmful content	Samaritans visit	Blood & Stem cell donations	Samaritans visit		
12	Exploring Gender Attitudes: Misogyny and Modern Society					

\*Please note that Year 9 will be learning about grief and bereavement straight after the half term holidays for 2 lessons. Obviously as a school, we understand that this is a sensitive issue, although we do believe that this is an important issue to discuss with the students. The lessons are written by the UK bereavement charity – Winston's wish -<https://www.winstonswish.org/> and are age-appropriate and deal with this sensitive issue with care and consideration. If you would like any more information, please contact the PSHE coordinator – [sbuckley@cchs.co.uk](mailto:sbuckley@cchs.co.uk) or Head of Year 9 – [cburnham@cchs.co.uk](mailto:cburnham@cchs.co.uk)

Help us do more for your daughters – success through community



## Success through Community

We are launching the CCHS Foundation<sup>1</sup> 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](mailto: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](#).

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<sup>1</sup> 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

