

Parent and Student FEEDBACK



2023-2024

Student Survey (Summer 2024)

We provide a flavour of the comments submitted by students from across all year groups, who explained what they find particularly helpful.

YEAR 7

- French and German...do regular vocabulary tests or quizzes to make sure you know the words and the links for them are really helpful, such as Memorise and Quizlet.
- I think Science has really improved my understanding from what I had learnt in primary school.
- In maths the examples and notes taken, help me a lot when revising for tests.
- I have found the Homework Club afterschool on Wednesdays to be particularly helpful. If you feel like you get distracted easily at home, this is a great place to go just to finish of any work.

YEAR 8

- I really enjoy and love doing extra-curricular clubs which help me to improve in all sports I do.
- I find that Latin helps with learning other languages and we learn a lot about the roots of other languages in Latin lessons.
- I have found History helpful as it helps me with English and sometimes relates with Latin.
- The competitions that are offered to us help me research things in subjects I usually would not do.

YEAR 9

- STEM Leaders has helped me gain more confidence when presenting a PowerPoint or giving a speech.
- The debate we did on 'Far from the Madding Crowd'...was awesome and helped me fully understand the story.
- I have found Maths particularly helpful because the work is challenging which further helps me improve in a subject.
- When a teacher models how to complete a question, I feel more confident that I can do so myself by applying the same method.

YEAR 10

- The History Department...offer various interactive ways of processing historical fact...and encourage use of colour in notes...The Religious Education Department, with information easily presented, various interactive ways of taking in information.
- Suggesting ways of tackling a question before actually finding out the method of how to do it.
- For Maths, my teacher helps us to explore beyond what we are expected to know to further our knowledge.
- STEM Club and Electronics Club.

YEAR 11

- Doing extracurricular Music helps with the GCSE course.
- By going to Geography support after school on Wednesdays...I have gained more understanding.
- Subject related enrichment days e.g., Maths Masterclass.
- Having practice questions at the start of a lesson on a random previous topic we have done.

YEAR 12

- Biology and Chemistry – if I am unsure on anything my teachers always take time to explain it again clearly.
- Economics has been really supportive, always ensuring we know...[the teacher's]...there to mark our work whatever we send whenever we send, very clear on what I need to do in the subject and very confident too.
- I find doing lots of essay questions together very helpful, putting together points and ideas that the class has formulated...into a model structure is a very useful revision resource for subjects like English and RS.
- Clinics for different subjects...being given further reading and work to further consolidate whether I understand.

YEAR 13

- I found frequent past paper questions particularly useful.
- Example answers in essay subjects, breakdowns of mark schemes, and short quizzes in class to ensure understanding.
- Homework packs on topics covered when they are marked by a teacher with feedback on where to improve and why answers were wrong.
- Writing model answers as a class, and mind-mapping in class.

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YEAR 7

- Fun and engaging lessons. Friendly and nice teachers.
- I am very impressed with the enrichment activities and events...and the number and variety of clubs available.
- A real strong sense of community and belonging. I like the homework logbooks; this really helps with responsibility. I think students are given adequate time to complete homework tasks.
- My daughter is enjoying her time at school; she has made friends and she feels at home when at school. She is enjoying new subjects and the hands-on experience of science topics. We are also pleased to see a range of different assignments. We very much appreciate the work that the PA does to support the school.
- The school makes it easy to keep in touch through the use of communication software.

YEAR 8

- Excellent school. Staff are always approachable and friendly. My child is happy, supported and doing well. Incredibly impressive onboarding before she started, which put her at ease. Excellent pastoral care. Headteacher and all teaching staff appear to be the ideal mix of firm yet friendly. I consider my child very lucky to be able to attend the school.
- I am impressed by the variety of clubs available and believe these are adding an important extra dimension to my daughter's education. I am also impressed by the dedication of the teachers and their willingness to help – I think this makes a significant difference to my daughter's progress.
- We love that CCHS is not just an academic hothouse, a possible danger for grammar schools, but embraces the whole child, valuing the extracurricular and pastoral side of things as much as the academic.
- The school community is lovely. They are developing amazing caring girls. The enrichment days and extra activities really add happiness to the children's day. The teachers are really enthusiastic and very knowledgeable in their subjects making the days fun. The school really cares about the girls' wellbeing. My child is very happy at this school.
- Empowerment of students and encouraging them to fulfil their potential.

YEAR 9

- Holistic approach... You recognise them as individuals with their own strengths and passions. I think the extra touches such as karaoke competitions, interform sports competitions, decorate your class, etc. are fantastic.
- Communication with individual teachers is positive and very helpful. Creative lesson planning by teachers motivates my daughter.
- Academic excellence, continuous communication and encouragement. Nice friendly environment for students to excel.
- Emphasis on both curriculum and extra-curricular activities.
- CCHS's communication with parents is top notch and as a result we know how and where to support our children. CCHS PA is an asset.

YEAR 10

- Excellent pastoral support. Teachers are very proactive with this – respond and address emails promptly. Ambitious curriculum.
- The SEND department are the most amazing, well-informed, caring and compassionate people.
- Outward-looking approach, very good teaching methods, ambitious teaching and good behaviour expectations.
- Students gain in independence by being encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning, organisation and admin and are encouraged to help others and trusted to take leadership roles where appropriate.
- My daughter particularly enjoys the House competitions, and the music and dance performances are outstanding!

YEAR 11

- Extremely dedicated members of staff who inspire and motivate students. Very high expectations set for behaviour and academic achievement...Expectations are in line with students' ability to achieve.
- My daughter is always encouraged by all the teachers, including Headteacher, to excel in her academic performance. She is supported by the teachers to participate in different STEM activities, English creative-writing competitions, etc.
- My daughter feels challenged and engaged. I have always loved hearing about the interform competitions and the effort they all put in is brilliant.
- A caring environment. I am very happy my daughter attends CCHS. Also CCHS is always seeking to improve, and is very forward thinking.
- The school is very friendly and is a very positive environment in which to learn.

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YEAR 12

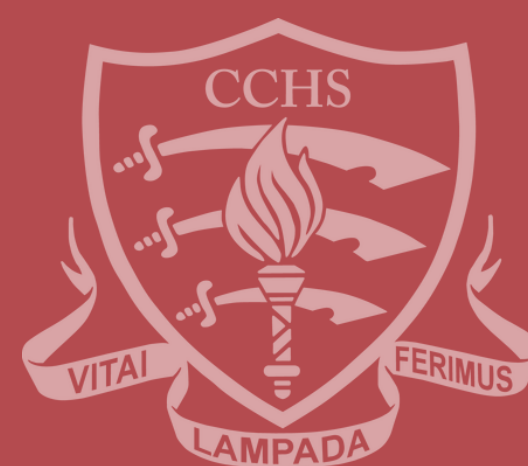
- The teaching staff encourage the girls to achieve their personal best in academic and extra-curricular activities.
- Excellent academic success of students and staff who really care about their pupils.
- SEN and pastoral support are outstanding. Leadership is excellent and every member of staff is empowered, positive, and genuinely cares for each student.
- I particularly love the leadership opportunities offered across every school year.
- The enrichment and leadership opportunities are numerous and allow my daughter to develop academically and personally, sometimes in areas that she wouldn't ordinarily be drawn to. CCHS has such a broad offer and is not an academic production line. School leaders are willing to embrace change.

YEAR 13

- My daughter has been extremely happy since she joined the Sixth Form last year. Academically she is doing well and...I found her teachers and pastoral care to be excellent.
- The sense of community and mutual support amongst the girls.
- Clear and strong leadership and encouraging students to take part in activities.
- My daughter has been offered a wealth of enjoyable and challenging opportunities at CCHS – academic, extra-curricular and leadership. I have been delighted to watch her grow into a confident, independent adult.
- My daughter's time at CCHS has been happy and the school has worked hard to ensure she realises her potential. The school is a nurturing environment and we are all very grateful for the time she has spent with you and know it has given her a solid grounding for the rest of her life.

Additional Parent Feedback

- Thank you so very, very, much to all the staff at CCHS for all your care, support and kindness, and of course, for all your hard work to ensure that girls and young women in your care have the best education (academic and life-wise), that they are enriched with all the opportunities that are available to them and that they have the best start in life.
- ...thank you and your staff for organising such a wonderful event [Open Evening]. I fully appreciate how much time and effort goes into the planning of evenings like this...the enthusiasm of staff and students was very clear. We were particularly struck by the creativity of each department, all using a number of different ways to inspire the students... Our guides were exceptional young women – articulate and passionate...They were a real credit to the school.
- Congratulations on the glowing Ofsted report. It is great to see the hard work and commitment put in by all the CCHS community being recognised.
- Congratulations on a stunning Ofsted report! It was satisfying to see that the hard and skilled work of staff was well recognised across the complete range of responsibilities. Thank you for continuing to provide such an ambitious and yet caring environment for our young people to achieve their utmost.
- We just wanted to send the entire team at CCHS our most heartfelt congratulations on the wonderful news that Ofsted has, once again, rated the school as OUTSTANDING!
- Our daughter started in Year 7 in September and I would like to send a heartfelt thank you for the effort that have been made for the girls to settle in and the opportunities our daughter has already been able to enjoy. The Dance Show was beyond brilliant. To see so many girls throughout the whole school have so much fun and come together to enjoy dance was really special. When they all came out at the end we were blown away by the sheer number involved. The organisation behind the scenes must've been immense as the many transitions throughout the lengthy show were seamless. The Christmas Concert was another fabulous collaborative event. The calibre of music was outstanding but beyond that, what radiated from the stage, was a sense of enjoyment and togetherness from the girls. Additional to this I've heard a lot of positivity surrounding the house events!! House Karaoke seemed particularly popular! In addition to this we really feel that having the opportunity to take part in extra-curricular events so early on in the CCHS journey has made such a difference. All in all we'd like to thank all the staff that have helped put on these fabulous events, the teachers that directly help with the transition from primary school and all the wonderful older students that take their younger counterparts under their wings. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a fabulous 2024.



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Additional Parent Feedback - Continued

- I would like to express my thanks to all involved in the music concerts this week. As always, the standard was amazing and the students a credit to all the music departments hard work and teaching. My daughter...absolutely loves all aspects of music at school and for that, I thank you all for the extra effort you put into organising the extracurricular clubs.
- I wanted to say a huge well done for another sensational Christmas concert. It truly is such a privilege to listen to the incredibly talented young musicians. I loved every minute of the concert but I must say that the Symphony orchestra playing The Lord of the Rings is worthy of a West End production! Such an incredibly beautiful execution, showing great professionalism from all involved.
- A HUGE thank you and well done for bringing together yet another amazing dance show! It really is just fabulous to watch; both in terms of the fantastic stage and lighting display and also the camaraderie of the girls involved...Thank you again for enabling the joy of music and dance to be brought to us all.
- I wanted to express my heartfelt gratitude for the exceptional support and care provided... The staff's prompt attention, expertise and compassion...have been invaluable...We are grateful to have such a supportive and dedicated staff at CCHS.
- I would like to say a heartfelt thanks to you and your team...as their dedication and commitment is truly remarkable and very much appreciated
- I just wanted to write a quick message to thank all those involved in the Spring Concert...It was a wonderful evening showcasing so many talents and the hard work of staff and students.
- I just wanted to pass on my huge congratulations to all involved in the superb Spring Concert. The music was fantastic, as always, and it was great to see the girls enthusiasm to perform. Last night was our daughter's last concert which made it particularly poignant; however, we have countless memories of other wonderful performances over the years. CCHS has such a rich Music Department with fantastic teachers and great opportunities for the girls to perform. Our daughter's time at school has been greatly enriched by her music lessons and the performances she has had the opportunity to be involved in.
- Thank you so much for all your hard work regarding yesterday's [Britten Sinfonia] workshop and concert – my daughter had such a good time and we loved the concert afterwards. It was so inspiring to see such amazing musicians playing alongside the children and then to hear them perform as an ensemble was a fantastic bonus!
- After 11 year's association with CCHS we wanted to say a big thank you to all the teachers that have taught and supported our two daughters...They both thoroughly enjoyed their 7 years at school. The hard work and commitment of the teachers and the numerous extra-curricular opportunities they have been given over those years has enabled them to flourish in their educational journey and blossom into independent women who have both followed their passions.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all students and parents who shared their views throughout the academic year. Your feedback helps us celebrate success and continue to provide the best possible experience for our school community.

