

MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

Today, Mrs Hiett (Sixth Form Leader) is attending the Educating Girls Symposium in London. This is an annual event organised by the International Coalition of Girls' Schools (ICGS). The Symposium brings together girls' school staff from across the world to share their practice and ideas.
Home - International Coalition of Girls' Schools

CCHS was a founding UK member of ICGS. This global network represents 580 girls' schools in 28 countries, with over 350,000 girls and young women.
Chelmsford County High School for Girls | International coalition of girls' schools

As part of their advocacy for girls' schools worldwide, ICGS also provides important research. These research pieces present a global perspective about key issues that are pertinent both to our work as a girls' school in Essex and our school community more broadly.
Chelmsford County High School for Girls | Girls' Academic Education – Research

I wish all members of the CCHS community well as we progress through the second part of the Autumn Term.

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THE CCHS ADVANTAGE

CCHS Values

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

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)

THE CCHS ADVANTAGE

CCHS Inspires

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

PASTORAL SUPPORT & EMPOWERMENT

- Actively socially inclusive with our FSCE Entrance Test and CCHS Leaders of Tomorrow programme
- Outstanding tailored pastoral provision, including a SEND Quiet Room, Pastoral Hub and strong links with external services
- Carnegie Centre of Excellence School Mental Health Gold Award
- Carers Trust & The Children's Society Young Carers Award
- The Great British Schools Guide named CCHS as one of England's most well-behaved and safest schools



ACADEMIC STRENGTH & SUCCESS



- The Sunday Times Parent Power Guide, Top 20 state school nationally 2026, 2025, 2024 and 2023
- National Association for Able Children in Education Challenge Award
- The Prince's Teaching Institute Subject Marks for outstanding teaching in English and Mathematics
- University of Cambridge & The Ogden Trust Isaac Science School Award
- CCHS Institute, providing academic lectures & seminars and essay competitions
- CCHS Aspire, supporting our able students with applications to Cambridge, Oxford and other Russell Group universities

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY & ADVENTURE

- Arts Council England Artsmark Gold Award
- The UK Association for Music Education Music Mark
- House Community, building friendships across year groups and bringing joyful competition

• **C**: CURIE, MARIE • **H**: HEPBURN, AUDREY • **S**: STEWART, MIRANDA •
• **F**: FRANK, ANNE • **G**: GREY-THOMPSON, TANNI • **A**: ANGELOU, MAYA •

- Enrichment Days across the academic year for all key stages, with a host of lunchtime clubs & societies for all year groups
- Sixth Form Electives Programme, designed to complement academic study with creativity, wellbeing and real-world insight
- Educational Trips, across all key stages, including a Sixth Form expedition with Operation Wallacea



Desiderata

GO PLACIDLY 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.

On Friday 23rd October, four Year 8 students took part in the Essex Young Writers Showcase, Elizabeth, Esther, Advika and Mara-Cristina.

A year in the making, the event was organised by Chelmsford Library, which hosts a monthly young writers' club.

The talented young writers had the chance to showcase their work, meet published author Syd Moore, and receive recognition for their commitment in a special award ceremony. The CCHS girls, along with other participants, read out an extract of their work, which was displayed for family and friends alongside a cover page.

Congratulations to all of the students on this wonderful achievement!



Congratulations



Last weekend Darcie, (10A), competed at the CRDM Irish dancing British nationals competition and came home with her best result to date. She came 3rd in the U15 open championship age group,

This is a wonderful achievement for Darcie, who works so hard at her dance classes and enjoys her sport immensely.



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Maddie, 9F, recently represented Great Britain at the 2026 UIPM Biathle World Championships in Madeira, Portugal.

Biathle is a continuous race consisting of an 800m run, 100m swim and a further 800m run. Despite having limited training in the lead-up to the competition due to injury, she was delighted to win a silver medal in the U15 girls' individual event before going on to become World Champion in the U15 mixed relay.

Well done, Maddie!

Two teams of students attended the Regional Cross-country finals at Felsted School, and we are pleased to let you know that the Senior Team qualified for the National Cross-Country finals at Ratcliffe College in Leicester on the 5th December.

The students involved are:
Frankie (Year 11)
Lilly (Year 11)
Esme (Year 11)
Vivien (Year 11)
Bethan (Year 13)
Izzy (Year 11)

Congratulations and Good Luck!



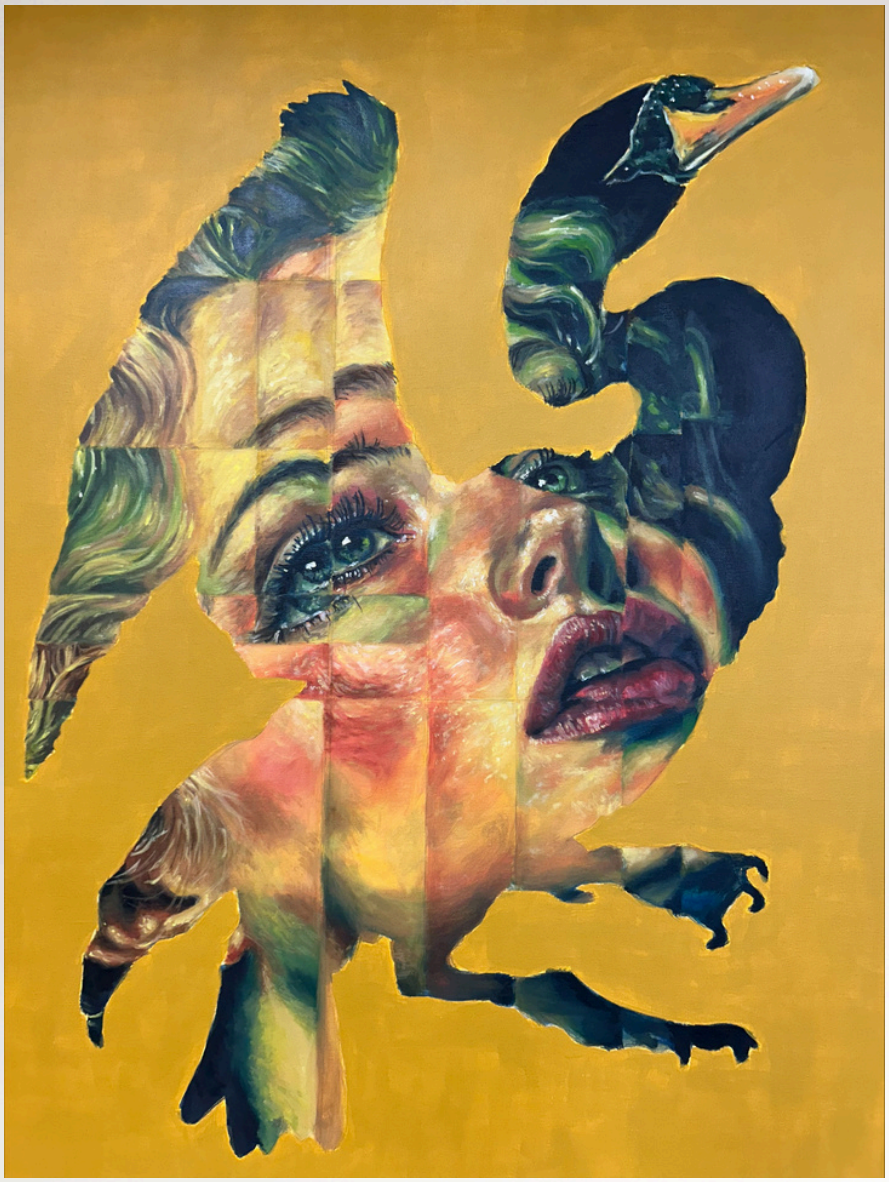


Well done to Uju, in Year 9, who was awarded the Jack Petchey Foundation Award for Outstanding Achiever via her athletics club, having been recognised as a key member of the Chelmsford Athletics Club EYAL squad.

This is a brilliant achievement considering Uju only joined the club halfway through the season. She competed in the field team for hammer, shot put and discus, scoring important points which helped Chelmsford secure the EYAL League and Championship for a fourth consecutive time.

Congratulations, Uju on a fantastic achievement!

Artist
of the week



Meera, in Year 13, for her A1 acrylic painting. She just gets better and better!

Appointments

To help minimise disruption to learning, we would be grateful if you could let your daughter know in advance about any medical or dental appointments for which she will be collected from school. This helps ensure a smooth and timely collection process. Students should make their way to Main Reception at the agreed collection time.







GCHQ's annual National Language Competition for Year 9 students runs 16th-20th November - check Mr Lodge's e-mail if you'd like to form a team!

CCHS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

MOVIE NIGHT

IN SUPPORT OF CCHS PA



WEDS 18TH NOVEMBER
4:30 TO 6:30PM

TICKET INCLUDES POPCORN & DRINK

CALLING ALL YEAR 7-9 STUDENTS! COME AND ENJOY **THE GREATEST SHOWMAN** WITH YOUR FRIENDS! TICKETS ARE LIMITED AND MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE. EXTRA SNACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BUY ON THE NIGHT. CASH AND CARD ACCEPTED.

TICKETS: £9 (in advance only) via Parent Pay

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This week in RTP

YEAR GROUP	Monday 9th November				PERIOD	2
	A	C	F	G	H	S
7	**STAYING SAFE ONLINE** Lesson 9 – online grooming and addition.					
8	**PHYSICAL AND MENTAL WELLBEING** lesson 9 – What is mental health?					
9	**LEGAL AND ILLEGAL DRUGS** Lesson 9 – Drug classification					
10	**VIOLENCE, CRIME AND SAFETY** Lesson 9 – Virginity testing and Hymenoplasty					
11	**Yr 11 MOCK EXAMINATIONS**					
12	**CHOICES, RISKS AND DECISIONS** Lesson 9 – Young people and debt.					
13	**UNIVERSITY AND CAREERS** Lesson 8 – Understanding Job markets.					

CCHS Parents' Association invites you to the Winter Fayre:



FROM
11am - 2pm



SATURDAY
21
NOVEMBER

Winter Fayre

Games | Craft Stalls | Food | Raffles | Live Music & More!



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Chelmsford County
High School,
Broomfield Road,
Chelmsford, CM1 1RW.

Admission £2

Cash or card payment
accepted on entry.
Students are free.

WINTER Fayre

HELP MAKE CCHS PA'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR A REAL SUCCESS THROUGH YOUR DONATIONS!

Ways to donate:

- **Send items into school ASAP & leave at Reception**
- **Buy from our Amazon Wishlist by scanning this QR Code or clicking this link. Deadline: Mon 16th Nov)**

SMALL PRIZES



Such as toys, sweets, fidgets, stocking fillers.

FESTIVE FOOD

Quality hamper-style food for the Hamper Raffle.



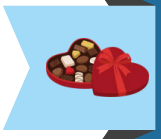
UNWANTED GIFTS



New or great condition items for our gift stalls.

CHOCOLATE

Selection boxes, tubs, bars, boxes or multipacks.



CAKES



Homemade or shop-bought cakes for refreshments.

XMAS JUMPERS

Pre-loved Christmas/Festive jumpers in great condition.



SOFT TOYS



Great condition pre-loved or new soft toys for the tombola.

Thank You!

Items can be left at school reception any time, or in the dedicated drop-off area in the school Dining Hall on the dates below from 8 to 8:45am. (Cakes should only be brought the day before or the morning of the Fayre.)

Fri 13th November
8am to 8:45am

Tue 17th November
8am to 8:45am

CCHS Parents' Association

WINTER Fayre

Saturday 21st November
11am - 2pm

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Call for Craft & Trade Stalls

Saturday 21st November 11am - 2pm

Chelmsford County High School

We're excited to be holding our Winter Fayre and are inviting established craft and trade stallholders to join us!

Do you run a craft or trade business?

Would you like to showcase your work and be part of our festive community event?

This is a great opportunity to share your creativity, promote your business, and support our school community

· Stallholders must be an existing business
· Public Liability Insurance is required

If you'd like to book a stall or find out more, please contact Elaine:
📧 pa@cchs.co.uk

We'd love to see your crafts, gifts, and festive creations at our Winter Fayre!

If any CCHS students are interested in a small stall please contact Elaine via pa@cchs.co.uk

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CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER | 7–9PM |

| £25PP | IN SUPPORT OF CCHS PA |

Create your own traditional Christmas wreath using locally sourced natural materials at our friendly festive workshop. Open to CCHS adults and students. All materials are provided, along with a glass of mulled wine (or a hot drink) and a mince pie.

STANDARD TICKET	1 Person Only. Includes entry for 1 person, wreath-making materials to create 1 wreath, plus 1 festive drink and 1 mince pie.	**£25**
GUEST ADD ON TICKET	Ages 11+. Bring an extra pair of hands to help you design your wreath! Includes entry for 1 additional person, 1 drink, and 1 mince pie.	**£10**

TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA PARENT PAY

PLEASE NOTE: All under 18s MUST be accompanied by an adult.
Guest Add-On ticket does NOT include a separate wreath. Your guest will assist you with making your main wreath. (Max 1 guest add-on per standard £25 ticket).

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DONUT SALE



Friday 13th November

In the Main Hall (at lunch)

Krispy Kreme DOUGHNUTS

Krispy Creme Glazed Donuts
(Contains Wheat Gluten, Egg & Milk)

GREGGS

Greggs Glazed Ring Donuts
(Vegan Friendly, Limited Availability)

£1.50
PER DONUT
CASH & CARDS ACCEPTED

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DONUT SALE
RAFFLE



Friday 13th November

In the Main Hall (at lunch)

Tickets just 50p each



First Prize



Second Prize

Third Prize



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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



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 Your Child Prepare for Exams

10th November 6:00pm (GMT)

How to Help Your Child Study with ADHD

24th November 6:00pm (GMT)

How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child

15th December 6:00pm (GMT)

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

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.

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



Keeping Well in the Winter



As we enter the winter period, respiratory and gastric viruses begin to thrive. Please practice good hygiene to help prevent these viruses from flourishing. Use the simple rules of "Catch It, Bin It, Kill It", and remember to wash hands before eating, before and after food preparation, after using the toilet and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Hand sanitizer can be used but remember, it does not kill norovirus – only washing with soap and water will.





CATCH IT



Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.

BIN IT



Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.

KILL IT



Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

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Autumn Term PA Events



November:

- 13th - 12.30-1.30pm Donut Sale
- 18th - 4.30-6.30pm Movie Night for years 7-9
- 21st- 11am-2pm Winter Fayre & Pre-loved Uniform in-person sale
- 26th & 27th - 7-9.30pm Dance Show

December:

- 7th - 7-9pm Wreath Making Workshop
- 9th & 10th - 7-9.30pm Christmas Concert



Spring/Summer Term PA Events

January:

- 20th - 8-9am House Clothes Collection
- 29th- 7-10pm Quiz Night

February:

- Pre-Loved Uniform Online Sale
- 3rd, 4th& 5th - 7-9.30 School production, Shrek
- 12th - 12.30-1.30pm Donut Sale

March:

- 5th - 12.30-1.30pm Mothers' Day Sale
- 12th - 12.30-1.30pm Bubble Tea Sale
- 12th - 7-9pm Spring Disco Year 7-9
- 23rd & 24th - 7-9.30pm Spring Concert

April:

- 16th - 12.30-1.30pm Donut Sale
- 23rd - 12.30-1.30pm Bubble Tea Sale
- TBC -2-4pm Sunday Afternoon Tea & Live Music
- 29th- 4.40- 7.30pm CCHS Open Day

May/June

- Pre-Loved Uniform Online Sale
- 29th June - 8-9am House Clothing Collection

July

- 6th& 7 th 7-9.30pm Cabaret Concert
- 9th- 1-3.30pm Summer Festival

CCHS News this week...

DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS STUDENT CONFERENCE

Posted: 3rd November 2026

Our Sixth Form Economics students are looking forward to attending a Development Economics Student Conference webinar today.

Chelmsford County High School for Girls | Economics

TOP OF THE BENCH COMPETITION 2026

Posted: 4th November 2026

Good luck to all our students who are participating in the 'Top of the Bench' competition, taking place at the University of East London today. This a national competition offered by the Royal Society of Chemistry.

INDUSTRIAL CADETS LAUNCH

Posted: 4th November 2026

Today, students will begin their Industrial Cadets journey, developing valuable workplace skills through real-world STEM projects.

STEM & STEAM – Chelmsford County High School for Girls
Programmes Industrial Cadets

Categories: STEM

ESAA CROSS COUNTRY REGIONAL FINALS

Posted: 5th November 2026

Good luck to all our students competing in the Regional Finals of the ESAA Cross Country Schools Cup today!

NATIONAL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY FINALS

Posted: 6th November 2026

We are thrilled that our senior team have qualified for the National Schools Cross Country Finals in December!

Sports – Chelmsford County High School for Girls

NATIONAL LANGUAGE COMPETITION

Posted: 6th November 2026

GCHQ's annual National Language Competition for Year 9 students runs 16th-20th November – check Mr Lodge's e-mail if you'd like to form a team!



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CCHS Parents' Association

The easiest way to raise for Chelmsford County High School PA



Did you know you can raise free money for CCHS PA just by doing your normal shopping?

It's simple:
- Sign up for free (takes 2 minutes)
- Click through easyfundraising before you shop online
- Shop as normal with supermarkets, travel sites and more
- Retailers donate a small % of what you spend to the PA, at no extra cost to you

And when you **sign up through the link below(or QR code above) and make your first shop via easyfundraising, the PA gets an extra £2 bonus!**

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=RXEH58&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=web-referral&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=copy-link&char=125791

Already signed up? Thank you! Please share with friends and family too, as everyone who joins helps raise more for the school.

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Help us do more for your daughters – success through community

Success through Community

The CCHS Foundation[1] is 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

CCHS Foundation