Colchester County High School for Girls
Parent Weekly Bulletin
5 July 2019

Term Dates 2018 – 2019

Summer Term
Tuesday 23 April
Tuesday 23 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 6 May
Half Term
Monday 27 May
Friday 31 May

Non-Pupil Days
24 July 2019

Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Autumn Term
First Day of Term for Students:
Wednesday 4 September 2019
Last Day of Term for Students
Wednesday 18 December
Half Term
Monday 28 October
Friday 1 November

Spring Term
Monday 6 January
Friday 3 April
Half Term
Monday 17 February
Friday 21 February

Summer Term
Monday 20 April
Last Day of Term for Students
Tuesday 21 July
Bank Holiday
Monday 4 May
Half Term
Monday 25 May
Friday 29 May

Non-Pupil Days
Tuesday 3 September 2019
Thursday 24 October 2019
Friday 25 October 2019
Thursday 19 December 2019
Wednesday 22 July 2020

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Dates for Your Diary

Saturday	July	6	DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition Returns 19.00 approx Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France
Sunday	July	7	Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France
Monday Week B	July	8	Yr 5 School Tours Yr 7 Reports to Parents Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France Yr 10 Progress Check 3 to Parents Yr 12 University of Durham Talk, Lecture Theatre, P3 New Pastoral Team Meetings DofE Silver Equipment Issue 15.45 – 17.45
Tuesday	July	9	Yr 5 School Tours Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France Music on the Green, Lunchtime Sports Presentation Evening 19.00
Wednesday	July	10	Yr 5 School Tours Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France Yr 12 Predicted Grade Discussions Music on the Green, Lunchtime
Thursday	July	11	Yr 5 School Tours Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange in France Yr 10 Geography Field Visit to Ipswich Yr 12 Predicted Grade Discussions
Friday	July	12	Yr 5 School Tours Yr 9 Reports to SLT Yr 9 & Yr 12 French Exchange Return 19.00 approx DofE Bronze Groups A&B 15.45 – 17.30
Saturday	July	13	OGA AGM 09.00 – 14.00

Yr 5 Open Week and School Tours
Next week we welcome students in Yr 5 and their parents to see the school. Tours are by appointment; those interested should call the school.

Summer Show: 'A Very Shaky Webfest' – Friday 19 July
Tickets are now on general sale via ParentPay at £10 each. They are numbered with allocated seats and will be issued via register folders. Please let us know via office@cchsg.com at the time of booking, should you have particular access requirements. A barbecue and refreshments will be available from 18.00.

Yr 11 Celebration Evening and Yr 13 Leavers' Ball Photographs
Students had the opportunity to have studio photographs taken by Carmel Jane Photography. These are now available via www.carmeljane.co.uk using the login code students were provided with at the venue.

Head Lice Alert
Several cases of Head Lice have been brought to our attention in Yr 7. We ask parents to check their daughter's hair this evening, to ensure she is not infected. There should be no embarrassment with having Head Lice as they like all hair types. If you would like information about the treatment of Head Lice, please refer to the following NHS website: http://www.nhs.uk/livewell/childhealth6-15/pages/nits.aspx

Music on the Green – Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 July 12.50
Students and staff are welcome to join the Music Department for their outdoor music extravaganza. Performances include soloists, choirs, orchestra, concert band and many more fantastic performances.

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Yr 12 Biology Field Trip: 27 September – 30 September 2019
A reminder that the final payment for the Field Trip to Dorset is overdue. There remains many students with a balance to pay, please make any outstanding payment by the end of the weekend, you can check the balance remaining on ParentPay. If you have any queries about this please do not hesitate to contact Dr Martin

Yr 12 HAT and LNAT
Students who are intending to sit the LNAT or HAT as part of their university application are invited to a one hour session on Tuesday 9 July. The session will outline the format of each test and give guidance on how to prepare for it over the summer break. Students will also have the opportunity to talk to a Yr 13 student who sat the test this year and ask them questions about their experience.
HAT – Period Two
LNAT – Period Three

Physical Exercise: Improving Brain Activity and Cognition
Please find attached a leaflet which is part of Healthy Lives initiative across North East Essex schools in conjunction with Sport England.

Deadline for Replies and Payments

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for Response
All Yrs	Shakespeare History Plays Enrichment Course	Monday 22 July
All Yrs	Continuation of Instrumental Lessons	Friday 19 July
Yr 7	Sports Presentation Evening	Friday 5 July
Yr 9	Bronze Crest Award	Friday 5 July
Yr 10	Biology Fieldwork Trip to Fingringhoe Nature Reserve	Friday 12 July
Yr 12	Biology Textbook Purchase	Friday 12 July
Yr 12	Chemistry Textbook Purchase	Friday 12 July

Arrangements for Examination Results Days
Summer 2019 A Level Results – Thursday 15 August 2019:
A Level (Yr 13) & External candidates 08.00 until 09.30
Yr 12 EPQ Results 09.30 until 10.30
Summer 2019 GCSE Results – Thursday 22 August 2019
GCSE (Yr 11) 09.00 until 10.00
GCSE (Yr 10) 09.30 until 10.30
Level 2 Project (Yr 9) 10.30 until 11.00
Students and parents should see the examinations area of the school website for further information.

<u>Extra-Curricular Information</u>

Yr 12 History Support Sessions
Additional weekly support sessions continue to be available to students on both Tuesday and Thursday after school until 16.30. All History students are encouraged to attend.

Mile Monday
Mile Monday continues: meet on the field by the containers every Monday lunchtime at 13.00 to walk a mile. The Form Group with the most attendees each week will win a prize. Extra points for Form Tutors who walk also.

Solicitor Talk – Friday 19 July 12.45 – 13.20
For students intending to study Law at degree level or interested in a career in Law are invited to attend a lunchtime session with Solicitor, Jess Newton. It will be held in the Lecture Theatre from 12.45 until 13.20 on Friday 19 July.

Summer Show 2019 (Friday 19 July) Rehearsals
Monday 8 July, 12.45: No Matter What in the Hall
Thursday 11 July, 12.45: Cats Medley in the Hall
Thursday 11 July, 15.45 – 17.15: Full Cast – all songs
Monday 15 July, 12.45 Full Cast (not choral competition winners) – curtain call
Tuesday 16 July, 13.00 – 17.00: Full cast – dress rehearsal
Wednesday 17 July – T BA
Thursday 18 July – TBA
Friday 19 July: Performance – All cast to be in the Gym by 17.45
Students should check the Drama notice board very carefully for any changes or updates.

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Community Information - We draw your attention to the following:

After School GCSE Clubs at Colchester Language Academy
For more information please go to: www.colchesterlanguages.com

Letters sent out this Week
Yr 7: Creative Arts and Enterprise Day
7E: Choral Competition Winners
8L: Choral Competition Winners

Lunchtime Arrangements for w/c 8 July
Priority for Yr 12 and lunchtime activity participants until 12.45.

Week B: Lunchtime club participants must have a coloured ticket
12.45 Yr 7 & 8 to gain entrance to early lunch, available in advance from staff
12.55 Yr 9 & 10 running the club.

Menu for w/c 8 July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cottage Pie with Sweetcorn	Lamb & Mint Kebabs with Salad	Sausages, Chips & Beans	Pork, Lentil & Vegetable Sausage Rolls	Pan Fried Salmon with Sauté Potatoes & Green Beans
Or				
Vegetable Pasta Salad	Squash & Coconut Curry with Rice	Macaroni Cheese with Peas	Sweet Potato Dhal Pie with Salad	Gnocchi in Tomato Sauce with Salad
Main Meal £2.75				
Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard	Blackberry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Strawberries with Cream	Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard	Conrnflake Tart with Custard
Pudding £1.15				
Panini of the Week: Feta & Oregano £2.75				
Soup of the Day (changes daily) £0.60 with Homemade Bread £0.40				

Students are reminded that if they are unsure about the ingredients (e.g. vegan, gluten free or allergy specific) they need to ask a member of the canteen staff.

Word of the Week for w/c 8 July
Next week the word is: **INTERPRETATION** – an explanation or establishment of the meaning or significance of something.

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PTFA
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1. Second Hand Uniform Donations
The PTFA would like to thank the many parents who responded to our appeal and have kindly donated a large number of unwanted uniform items for resale. We are delighted to say that sales at the New Yr 7 Information Evening on 2 July amounted to over £1,600.

Donations of uniform are still welcome and can be left at the School Reception. **The next sale open to all Yr Groups** will be before and during the interval of the Summer Production ("A Very Shaky Web Fest") on Friday 19 July (18.00 - 20.30). Parents do not need to be attending the show to visit the uniform store.

2. School Production - "A Very Shaky Web Fest", Friday 19 July

PTFA volunteers needed from 18.00
The PTFA will be running the bar and a cake stall at this event, open from 18.00. There is also a BBQ run by CCHSG staff. In line with our Eco policy on single use plastics, we avoid, as far as possible, the use of disposable and recycled tableware. This does however, mean that we need more volunteers to support with running the catering. If you could come along to help please contact Agness O'Brien.

Pre-ordering of Interval Drinks
For their convenience, due to the large audience at this event, we would encourage parents to pre-order their interval drinks at the bar before the performance begins. Drinks will then be ready for collection immediately at the start of the interval.

3. Annual Christmas Market 2019 – Invitation to stallholders
Bookings are now open for stalls at this very popular annual event, open to the school community and general public, to be held on Saturday 30 November, 12.00 – 15.00.
Cost: Single stalls £25, double £40. For further details and a copy of the booking form please email cchsgptfa@gmail.com or contact Agness O'Brien.

4. STIKINS Name Labels
Save time and money with multipurpose name labels. Stikins are stick on name labels that can be used to label clothes, fabric items, shoes, bags, lunch boxes, water bottles, PE kits, stationery and all kinds of other personal belongings. To order, go to www.stikins.co.uk and help us earn commission by quoting our unique **Fundraising Number: 35809.**

5. Easyfundraising
Please continue to book your business, summer holiday and travel essentials, flights, hotels, car parking, etc. via Easyfundraising. Help raise funds for CCHSG PTFA whenever you shop online with over 3,600 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis and ASOS – when you shop, you'll raise a free donation for CCHSG PTFA every time, it's that easy!

Sign up to support us at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colchestercountygirlspta/

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