



## CCHS Weekly Mailing

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Welcome to this week's edition of the 'CCHS Weekly Mailing'. We hope that everyone had a good half term break. Our students have returned refreshed and ready for a very busy second half to the autumn term. With this in mind, excellent attendance is extremely important for everyone, and as ever our mantra is 'every lesson counts'! Please continue with the testing to help keep us all safe. The twice weekly LFD testing remains so important and will enable you to determine the difference between coughs and colds and other viruses; so prevalent at this time of year.

For all students, in school and in lessons is the place to be!

We hope that you have a lovely weekend, please remember to stay safe with the fireworks.

#### Whole School Notices

##### Weekly News

Weekly News – Find out what our staff and students have been up to this week.

Poppies on sale – Our wonderful student leaders will be selling poppies at lunchtime in Clouds next week for students to purchase if they wish. We will be observing a two-minute silence on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am. Also, on Thursday, a small cohort of students will also lay a wreath at the Garden of Remembrance on behalf of the CCHS community, so we can remember all those who have fallen, past and present, to protect the freedom we all enjoy today.

Flu Vaccination – On Monday and Tuesday next week the NHS Immunisation Team will be visiting the school to give flu vaccinations to those students whose parents have given consent. An email was sent out earlier this week; please [click here to view the letter](#). If you would like to give consent and have not yet done so, please [click here to complete the consent form](#). The school code is 138084. Further information about the vaccine can be viewed [here](#). Electronic consent must be received no later than Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> November.

Contacting staff at school – Please can we remind parents that our school telephone lines are open from 8.15am until 4.30pm each day. Whilst our staff, particularly our pastoral staff, do make themselves available as much as possible to parents on the phone or in person without a pre-arranged appointment, they may not always be able to speak to you immediately. Our reception staff will do their very best to help you and take a message to pass on to the person that you need to speak to. Alternatively, please email [admin@cchs.school](mailto:admin@cchs.school) and your email will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff.

Careers Hub – It is never too soon to begin thinking about next steps. *Our ethos of 'higher expectations, raising aspirations, transforming lives'* is all about focussing our students on the possibilities for their futures. Our [Careers Hub](#), which is available for everyone to view via our [website](#) has something to interest and inform students from every year group. Please, take a look, it may inspire your child to consider their future career path as they progress through their educational experience at CCHS.

Extra-curricular clubs and activities – A number of clubs and extra-curricular activities have been added/changed for this half of term – please view the full list [here](#).

**Free webinar** – The NCA (National Crime Agency), in association with PACE (Parents Against Child Exploitation) are running a free webinar for parents and carers about how to keep your child safe from criminal exploitation and understand more about County Lines in Essex. If you wish to register for this event please see the [attached leaflet](#) for details.

**Upcoming important dates** – Please be reminded:

- Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> November is a non-pupil day.
- Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> December - autumn term ends N.B. please note there will be an early finish on this day, time to be confirmed.
- Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – spring term will begin for all students.
- [Term dates](#) for this year and next year are available on our website.

## **YEAR 10**

**Important information for all parents/carers of Year 10 students** – Please [click here](#) to view a copy of the letter from Mr Taylor, Head of School, that was emailed to Year 10 parents today. The letter contains important information for all year 10 parents and their children regarding mock exams.

## **YEAR 11**

**Important information for all parents/carers of Year 11 students** – Please [click here](#) to view a copy of the letter from Mr Taylor, Head of School, that was emailed to Year 11 parents earlier this week. The letter contains important information for all year 11 parents and their children regarding reports, exams and mock exams.

**Revision** During tutor time in the run up to the mocks, students will be shown some revision strategies and be able to practice using these. As parents, if you would like to support them in their revision we are hosting a “How to Help Your Child Revise” evening on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like to join us with your child please sign-up using this [link](#). Please note places are limited and will be on a first come first serve basis.

**Sigma Sixth Opening Evening (Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> November)** – Thank you to all of those who were able to attend our Open Evening. It was a pleasure to speak to you and meet so many wonderful prospective students.

If, however, you were unable to attend the event, but would like to see the college before making an application, we are pleased to offer college tours on an appointment basis. This will give you the opportunity to see the facilities and ask any questions that you may have. We can offer these tours at 3.30pm or 4pm, Monday to Thursday of any week, with the exception of the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> of November.

If you would like to take advantage of one of these tours, please contact a member of the sixth form team on 01255 424266 to make an appointment, or alternatively, email [sixthformteam@cchs.school](mailto:sixthformteam@cchs.school).

We look forward to welcoming you to our college.