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CCHS Weekly Mailing

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Welcome to this week's edition of the 'CCHS Weekly Mailing'. It has been an extremely busy week at CCHS; on Monday, we began the week with the flu vaccinations delivered by the NHS School Immunisation Team and then the week continued with mock examinations for year 10 and 11 students. The mocks were sat under true examination conditions as we begin to prepare our students for the end of year GCSE's exams next summer. Overall, attendance was very good and as mentioned last week, 'every lesson counts'; even one missed lesson is learning time that cannot be repeated, this applies to all year groups. So keep up the testing, to keep us all safe and well, and for all students don't miss out on any lessons, do your best and if you need help or support, ask your teacher!

We wish everyone a very nice weekend and if there is anything within the weekly mailing that you would like further information about, please do not hesitate to email us via admin@cchs.school and we will be very happy to help.

Whole School Notices

WEEKLY NEWS

[Weekly News](#) – Find out what our staff and students have been up to this week.

Ski Trip Cancelled – Following many discussions and the latest guidance, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the Ski Trip, planned for April 2022. With the testing requirements currently in place and the implications should anyone on the trip test positive, we had to take this very disappointing decision. We are hopeful that the following year i.e. 2023, things will be back to normal, and any students from this cancelled trip, who still meet the criteria, will be contacted in the first instance for an expression of interest. A full refund of any money paid will be returned to your ParentPay account.

Flu Vaccination – The NHS School Immunisation Team visited the school on Monday to deliver flu vaccines, however we are aware that there are some students who did not receive their vaccine despite having returned their consent forms. The team advised that they will be returning at a later date to deliver vaccines to any students who missed out. We will notify you as soon as we have received further details from them.

ParentPay issues – As you may be aware, there have been some issues with Parentpay, where the food showing as purchased does not actually match up with what students actually bought. This is a technical issue between the tills and Parentpay; please rest assured we are working with the company to resolve this issue. However, if you are concerned that ParentPay shows that your child seems to have purchased nine sausage rolls in one day for lunch, as opposed to the delicious roast dinner they told you they bought, please feel free to call our Finance Administrator on 01255 424266 who will be able to confirm what was actually purchased.

Careers Hub

The [CCHS Careers Hub](#) has a vast amount of work experience opportunities available to students from year 8 to 13 and beyond. They can be in person or virtual and give students an insight into the world of work in their chosen career and set them apart from the crowd. This will also give them an advantage when completing applications for university, apprenticeships, and employment.

We have a current year 12 student at Sigma Sixth who is completing a programme with Fujitsu, where he is learning about the company's passion for using technology to create a more inclusive and sustainable future. He is exploring various areas of the business including cybersecurity, quantum computing and automation and learning about the key skills needed to be successful in the future using activities and quizzes alongside live webinars with Fujitsu experts."

Follow [this link](#) for details on how your child could also gain valuable virtual work experience, with Fujitsu.

Holly Court Christmas Appeal– We are excited to once again launch our Holly Court Christmas Appeal. We had an absolutely amazing response last year, with mountains of donated items and over £330 raised, all of which went to help those who may not be as fortunate as ourselves at Christmas time. Students can donate items into boxes placed in their tutor group rooms, you can make up Christmas bags as a family to bring in, or you can donate some pennies via the link in ParentPay. Items that are most appreciated include personal grooming items (soap/shampoo etc), small games, pens, puzzles, hats, gloves, reading glasses and sweets and chocolates. The residents of Holly Court are always incredibly grateful for the extraordinary support and generosity from our school community, and it is an excellent opportunity for our students to give something back to the community. [See the story in today's CCHS Weekly Newsletter.](#)

Upcoming important dates – Please be reminded:

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

YEAR 11

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, 18th November. Refreshments will be available from 4.30pm, with the session starting at 5pm and finishing at 6pm. If you would like to join us with your child please sign-up using this [link](#). **The “How to Help Your Child Revise” evening is next Thursday - Please do not miss out on this opportunity - [Sign-up Now!](#)**

Sigma Sixth Experience Day - Thursday 25th November - Please [click here](#) to view a copy of the letter from Mr Crabb, Sigma Sixth Pastoral Leader, that was emailed to parents today. The letter details the Sigma Sixth Experience Day on the 25th November at the Tendring Campus of our Sigma Sixth College.

Sigma Sixth Applications – Applications are now open for admission to Sigma Sixth for September 2022. Please follow [this link](#) to complete an online application on the Sigma Sixth website or snap the QR code – the closing date is Monday, 31st January 2022.

If you were unable to attend our Open Evening, 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 22nd 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.

We look forward to welcoming you to our college.

