



Clacton County High School Weekly News

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Open Evening – Thursday 23rd Sept School finishes at 12.10pm

Next Thursday, 23rd September is our annual Open Evening, when we welcome Year 6 students from across the district, along with their parents, to join us to tour the school and enjoy some fun activities throughout the evening.



**Annual Open Evening
Thursday 23rd September**

[Year 6 Parents - Please visit our admissions webpage for full arrangements and timings for the evening.](#)

To enable staff to prepare for this special evening, school will finish after Lesson 2 at 12.10pm.

There will be an extended break service in Clouds Restaurant next Thursday to enable all students (Including FSM) to obtain a meal.

CCHS students should not attend the Open Evening unless they are designated helpers whose parents have completed the Open Evening Helper google form, sent directly to them via email.

CCHS picks up STEM award

During the summer we were delighted to receive the prestigious Space Education Quality Mark – Bronze Award, from STEM Learning. The award recognises our significant contribution to the teaching of space related topics within the STEM subjects – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.



**SPACE
EDUCATION
QUALITY MARK**

Alex Brown, STEM Support Programme Manager at STEM Learning, said: “We are delighted to congratulate Clacton County High School on receiving the Bronze Space Education Quality Mark. Each school and college who receives the Space Education Mark has demonstrated a real and ongoing commitment to excellent STEM education in their school. Clacton County High School is a great example of this.”

Grab Every Opportunity

It is always gratifying to learn of students’ achievements outside school – those who endeavour to widen their knowledge and skills set in their own time.



Over the summer holiday Year 8 student, Sophie and her sister Phoebe, who was in Year 11 at CCHS last year, challenged themselves to learn to sail. After a windy few days on one sailing course early in the holiday, they both embarked on six days of sailing, along with some other CCHS students, at the annual Walton & Frinton Yacht Club’s cadet week.

After some great days out on the water, Phoebe clinched 3rd place, from the combined results of all the week’s races, and Sophie was delighted, and taken aback, to be awarded the Don Shepperdson Trophy for ‘Most Improved Cadet’. Well done Sophie!



Music Department Instrument Lessons

Learning to play a musical instrument can have many positive effects on a child’s social, personal and educational development, as well as giving them a great sense of enjoyment and achievement. There are also other benefits such as to helping relieve stress, building confidence, improving patience and memory retention, as well as stimulating the creative part of the brain.

Our peripatetic music lessons, for this academic year, recommence from next week and our music department still has a number of weekly tuition sessions available.

The instrument lessons are operated by Essex Music Services, with tutors coming into school to teach students. Parents who would like their son or daughter to learn to play a musical instrument, or would like further information, can [find out more HERE.](#)



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Extra-Curricular Clubs & Activities – Autumn Term 2021

Alongside the main curriculum subjects, we are proud to offer our students a wide and varied choice of activities and clubs in which they can participate. We encourage all of our students to make full use of the opportunity to learn additional skills and knowledge, through their participation in activities that interest them. Below is a list of all the activities we have on offer this term, including the year groups they are aimed at and the room number where they take place. Please can parents and carers promote these activities and encourage their child to participate in as many activities as they can. This list is also available to download from our [‘Clubs & Activities’ webpage](#), where additional clubs and activities will be published throughout the year so please check regularly for the latest information on the clubs available for that term.

For more information about each club or activity, students should talk to a member of staff from the department organising the session or from students’ subject tutors. The majority of clubs started this week, unless an alternative start date is listed. Sign-up lists may already be open. A number of clubs do not have a sign-up process and students can just turn up on the day, although regular attendance is requested – Any sign-up requirements are listed below.

Students – please ensure that your parents/carers are always aware that you intend to attend a club on a specific day and when to expect you home, so that they are not unduly concerned when you do not arrive home at your usual time.

Lunch Time Clubs		MONDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	FRIDAY	
		Drama Fun Club All Year Groups 1.15 – 1.45 Room H2 (AWA) Turn up and participate	‘Chapter Chats’ Book Club All Year Groups 1.20 - 1:50 Library - G7 Turn up and participate	Chess Club – STEM & other Board Games All Year Groups 1.20 - 1:50 Room B19 Turn up and participate	Music – Percussion Club All Year Groups 1.20 - 1:50 Music Dept. Sign up with Mr Bowyer Starts 1 st October	
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A F T E R S C H O O L	Homework Club - for those requiring additional support All year groups 3.15 – 3.45 Inclusion Hub	Homework Club - for those requiring additional support All year groups 3.15 – 3.45 Inclusion Hub	Homework Club - for those requiring additional support All year groups 3.15 – 3.45 Inclusion Hub	Homework Club - for those requiring additional support All year groups 3.15 – 3.45 Inclusion Hub	Musical Theatre Club Year 11 (by invitation) 3.15 – 4.30 Rooms J2 (ATU, ELA, KHA)	
	Textiles Coursework Support Years 10 & 11 3.10 – 4.30 Room A13	Textiles Coursework Support Years 10 & 11 3.10 – 4.30 Room A13	Textiles Coursework Support Years 10 & 11 3.10 – 4.30 Room A13	Basketball Club Years 7, 8 and 9 3.25 – 4.25 School Gym Starts 30th September	Textiles Coursework Support Years 10 & 11 3.10 – 4.30 Room A13	
	Chess Club – STEM & other Board Games All Year Groups 3:15 - 4:15 Room B19 Turn up and participate	Netball Club All Year Groups 3.25 – 4.25 Netball Courts	Boys Football Club Years 7, 10 and 11 3.25 – 4.25 School Field	Drama Club Years 7, 8 & 9 3.15 – 4.15 Room H2 More info from any Drama Teacher	Astronomy Club - STEM Years 7 to 9 3.15 – 4.15 Room B15 Turn up and participate Starts Friday 24 th September	
	TUESDAY CONTINUED BELOW	Boys Football Club Years 8 and 9 3.25 – 4.25 School Field	Girls Football Club All Years 3.25 – 4.25 School Field	Eco Club All Year Groups 3.15 – 4.00 G-Block By Invitation Only (SDA)		
	Maths GCSE Drop-In Revision Years 11 3.10 – 4.10 B-Block Rooms	GCSE Spanish Revision Year 11 3.15 – 4.15 Room G2	Photography Club Years 7 & 8 3.10 – 4.00 Rooms A6 Turn up and participate	Drama Intervention KS4 Years 9, 10 & 11 3.30 – 4.30 Room H4 Sign up with Mrs Lawrie Starts 30th September		
	GCSE Art Intervention and Coursework Support Years 10 to 11 3.15 – 5.00 Room A2 Sign-up with Miss Dominey (Art)	English Literature Booster Year 10 3.20 – 4.20 Rooms F6 & F14 Turn up and participate	Further Maths (GCSE) Years 9 & 10 - By Invite Only 3.10 – 4.25 Year 9 - Room B19 Year 10 - Room B15	WEDNESDAY CONTINUED BELOW		
	Art Coursework Support Years 10 & 11 3.15 – 4.30 Rooms A5 Sign-up with Mrs Gately (Art)	Spanish Film Club Years 7, 8 and 9 3.20 – 4.20 Room G6 Sign-up at the Languages office (next to G03) Starts Tue 28 th September	Spanish Conversation Club Years 9 to 11 3.15 – 4.00 Room G6 Sign-up at the Languages office (next to G03) Starts Wed 29 th September	Musical Theatre/Commercial Dance Club Years 7 to 11 3.30 – 4.30 Rooms J2 (ATU) Sign up with Mrs Tucker (Dance)		
	Technical Dance Club (Contemporary/Ballet) Years 7 to 11 3.30 – 4.30 Rooms J2 (ATU) Sign up with Mrs Tucker (Dance)	F24 Racing Car Team – STEM Years 7 to 11 3.20 – 4.30 Room A11 (BBI) Sign-up with Mr Binczyk or Mr Manning (Science) Starts after October half-term	GCSE Spanish Revision Year 11 3.10 – 4.00 Room G3 See Mrs Rubio-Weston for details (Languages) Starts in October	Drama Intervention KS4 Years 9, 10 & 11 3.30 – 4.30 Room H4 (ELA) Sign up with Mrs Lawrie (Drama) Starts 29th September		
	Music - Bands Club All Year Groups 3.30 – 4.30 Music Dept. Sign up with any Music Teacher Starts 28th September	Taskmaster – STEM Years 7 and 8 3.20 – 4.00 Room D5 (KST) Turn up and participate Starts 28th September	School Choir All Year Groups 3.15 – 4.15 Music Dept. Sign up with any Music Teacher Starts 30th September			

