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The CCHS Summer Musical - Legally Blond - Thursday 14th to Saturday 16th July

After a break of three years we are delighted that the CCHS summer production returns to the school stage in July. 'Legally Blonde - The Musical', follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. She appears to have it all but her life is turned upside down when her boyfriend, Warner dumps her, so he can attend Harvard Law. Determined to get him back, Elle ingeniously charms her way into the prestigious law school. Whilst there, she struggles with peers, professors and her ex. With the support of some new friends, though, Elle quickly realises her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.



Action-packed and exploding with memorable songs and dynamic dances, 'Legally Blonde – the Musical' opens on the 14th July with shows nightly at 7pm, with an additional matinee performance on Saturday 16th July at 2pm. The cast cannot wait.....

[Tickets are available on-line, priced £8 each](#)

PROUD Sessions Captivate students

Last week, students across the school attended a number of important sessions as part of our PSHE and PROUD curriculum which supports the personal development of our students and forms part of our wider curriculum offer. Year 7 students were taught some British Sign Language (BSL) and used this knowledge to help communicate with their peers. By the end of the lesson students were able to sign letters of the alphabet so that they could tell someone their own name using sign language, as well as use a range of different signs to meet and greet.

A number of the sessions highlighted a number of very important issues and, more importantly, gave students the tools they need to recognise certain behaviours of those endeavouring to exploit them or their friends.

Year 9 and Year 10 joined a special virtual PROUD session led by Aneeta Prem, the Founder and President of Freedom Charity. The charity provides students with the knowledge to engage with, and discuss, complex human rights, and their presentations and work are recognised as being vital in combating violent crimes, dishonour-based violence and forced marriage. Year 9 students were informed about female genital mutilation (FGM) and were each given their own copy of Aneeta Prem's fictional work 'Cut Flower', that explores this illegal practice in an age-appropriate way to take away. Our Year 10 students had already benefited from this talk last year, and so the focus for their lesson was forced marriage; highlighting how, potential victims and their friends can learn how to notice tell-tale signs and help prevent these acts happening.

Our Year 10 students were treated to a double PROUD session, also attending a special live-theatre performance about Knife Crime, which was also performed for Year 8 students. Essex based N-Act presented their original play 'Friend' - a true story about gangs and knife crime, set in a court room with the audience as the jury. The powerful play again focused both year group's attention throughout. The play also educated where students could access additional help and support – [view a copy of their support sheet here](#).



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Tendring Youth Award Nominations



We are delighted to announce that we have a record number of students who have been nominated for an award at the annual Tendring Youth Awards, which takes place at the Princes Theatre in July. Well done to Skye Inwood, Ivy Keeble and

Daniel Xi Lin (Learning Achievement - Key Stage 3); Kamila Karczewska, Jessica Rygal and Theo Vine (Learning Achievement - Key Stage 4/5); Oliver Blanes and Ruby Dove-Stowell (Outstanding Achievement), along with Lola Rogers and ex-Sigma Sixth student, Wilf Elliott (Arts Award). It's also worth noting that we have filled all of the Learning Achievement shortlisted places for both the younger and older categories! Many congratulations to all our nominees and we look forward to this special awards evening.

Sailing Solo – A Fantastic Achievement



Since last year, Daniel in Year 8 has been attending a weekly sailing lessons for disabled children at Alton Water in Suffolk, run by the Woolverstone sailability club.

Last week, Daniel reached a big milestone when he cast off for his first solo sail around the reservoir; a fantastic personal achievement for Daniel who has been wanting to sail on his

own for a number of years. Well Done Daniel and we look forward to hearing about your progress this summer!

The CCHS 'Word of the Week'

Each Friday we publish the featured word for the following week, its definition, origins and an example of its use in a sentence. [Click here for details about the CCHS 'Word of the Week' initiative.](#)



Next week's 'Word of the Week' is **Equality**

Pronunciation: EE-KWAL-IT-TEE

Meaning: the state of being equal, especially in status, rights or opportunities

Etymology: from Middle French 'egalite', meaning 'equality'

In Use: 'Feminists continue to fight for equality between the sexes'

How does a Business Actually Work?

To discover how a real business functions forty of our Sigma Sixth Business Studies students recently spent a day at the Thorpe Park. Good weather added to a fantastic day 'Learning on Location' with students learning all about how the park operates as a business; how they promote the theme park, ensure they have a skilled and happy work-force, protect their reputation with good customer service and ultimately make a profit. The students will be utilising what they learnt throughout the day to help support them with their upcoming assignment.

Did you know that they welcome nearly 2 million visitors through their gates every year?



Students also had the opportunity to experience a number of the park's famous rides, including Saw, Swarm and Stealth to name a few. A great day was had by all.

Careers Insight – Where are they Now?

This week we start a feature highlighting the career paths of past students to help inspire students across the school of what is possible and advice they can offer.

Ryan joined CCHS as a Year 7 student in September 2009 and, after his GCSE's in 2014, chose to study BTEC Business and Sport in our Sixth Form; he takes up his story..... *"I felt these would be most beneficial subjects for my future and I was able to study courses I felt passionate about. Once I gained my qualifications, I started an apprenticeship at logistics company, Ewals Cargo Care. Using the knowledge I gained at Sixth Form, I was then able to pass a Level 2 and Level 3 in Business Administration. After 4 years doing varied roles, progressing each year and furthering my knowledge, I then made the move to my current employment within GBN Logistic. I am currently a Logistics Planner at GBN logistics and manage a fleet of 27 trucks. I run the trucks and the accounts for our customers. The skills I attained at Sixth Form are crucial to my current role and have helped me to get where I am today. This year I am going to be taking my CPC course in Transport Management which will allow me to run a haulage company on my own. It is a government requirement to have someone who has attained this qualification to run a logistics business. This is where I am to date and I use what I learnt from my Business Course every day, and it was the best choice I ever made. If it wasn't for the teachers of Clacton County High Sixth Form I wouldn't be where I am today."*

