

Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tendring Weekly News



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CCHS Charity Committee Supporting St Helena Hospice

Over the past six months our Charities Committee have focused all of their fundraising efforts into supporting St Helena Hospice. Since July, the proceeds of our Summer Term Non-Uniform Day, Staff Quiz and Year 7 Halloween Disco have amounted to over £800. Last week, we welcomed James Martin-Whymark, St Helena Hospice Community Fundraiser for the Tendring district, to the school to present him with the final amount. Many thanks to a number of our Year 11 Media and Business students for representing the CCHS community, who helped contribute to the fantastic total raised.



St John Ambulance Young Achiever

We are delighted to congratulate St John Ambulance cadet, Lucy in Year 10, who was selected to attend this year's annual Young Achievers reception, in the presence of HRH The Princess Royal. Lucy was one of only five representatives from the St John Ambulance, East of England region, and the only cadet from the Clacton Cadet Unit, selected to attend the special event, which celebrated St John Ambulance cadets and young carers who have made outstanding contributions in their communities. During the reception, held at the Priory Church of the Order of St John in London, The Princess Royal, who is Commandant-in-Chief of the Youth of St John Ambulance, spoke with dozens of young people who had travelled from across the country and heard directly how their actions have positively impacted upon those around them.



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze – New Cohort complete their Inaugural Hike.

Our Broader Curriculum provides Year 9 students with the opportunity to learn some real life and alternative skills, which sit alongside their academic learning. Our new cohort of Duke of Edinburgh students recently embarked on their first practice hike between Weeley Heath and the Tendring Education Centre, the home of the CCHS sixth form, Sigma Sixth.







The sixty-plus students had spent a number of weeks, planning their route and learning how to navigate using a map, before embarking on their 3-hour trek across the fields using footpaths. Despite the early morning rain, the clouds cleared and the sun appeared before the groups set off, but the wet conditions underfoot remained, making the going tough in places. Although a few of the groups had to back-track part way through their hike, when they misinterpreted their maps, they did all eventually make it to their destination in the allotted time. They are now busy planning their next practice expeditions that will take place next spring; one around Weeley & Tendring and the other around Ramsey, Gt Oakley & Harwich, ahead of their assessment hike in Thetford Forest next summer. Well done to them all!

Holly Court Christmas Appeal - Update

We are busy collecting donations and contributions for our annual Holly Court Christmas Appeal, which provides tote bags filled with gifts for the elderly residents. Holly Court is a sheltered housing community in the heart of Clacton and each year we ask our students, with the support of their families, to donate non-perishable items via their form tutor. The deadline for contributions is Friday 15th December. Appeal coordinator, Miss Macleod and her team, are aiming for each form group to fill as many Christmas tote bags as possible with items such as soaps, shower gels, gloves, scarves, puzzle and word-search books, tinned food, biscuits, tea bags, coffee, hot chocolate



and any other suitable items. As ever the generosity of our extended school family is always completely overwhelming and we thank you in anticipation of your support for this valued local charitable cause. We are also able to accept donations through a special option via School Shop on Arbor Pay - just allocate a donation to the 'Holly Court Christmas Appeal 2023', these contributions will be used to purchase additional goodies to include in the Holly Court present bags.

Essex Schools Under 16 Cup Success

Our Year 11 football squad is celebrating their victory last week in the Essex Schools FA Under 16 knock-out for the Alan Child Trophy. The team travelled to Stanway School for their second-round match, having already triumphed over Honywood Community School in the previous round. The team were on fantastic form and had one of their best games since coming together as a squad back in Year 7 – very fitting as every game they now play could be their last as a team.







Both teams were very evenly matched with end to end action throughout the game; the CCHS boys just managing to claim more of the possession overall. Each team had numerous shots on goal, with both keepers producing some fantastic saves, keeping the game void of goals. As extra-time loomed, CCHS manged to break the deadlock with an exceptional mid-range shot from Josh, slotted neatly into the top-right corner of the Stanway net. As the last seven-minutes ticked, down the CCHS boys defended deep and held onto the ball as long as they could. The final blow of the whistle signalled the start of the celebrations and the team's progression to the next round of the cup-competition. The boys now await the result of other matches, but are drawn to play away, in the north-west of the county early next year. The are due to face either Saffron Walden County High or Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport. We wish them well in round 3!

Book Corner

'Swarm Rising' By Tim Peake Recommended Read from English Teacher – Vicki Bailey

I was given this book through the Year 7 'The Book Buzz' reading scheme and I have really enjoyed it! It is a science fiction story about aliens, saving the planet and friendship. It is fast-paced and very exciting to read - I didn't want to put it down! I particularly like that it was written by Tim Peake - an actual astronaut who has been on the International Space Station.



CCHS Book Fair - 6th to 12th December - Ideal Christmas Presents!

Throughout next week, we will be holding our inaugural Book Fair in the CCHS Library. Students across Year 7 to Year 10 will be visiting the fair during one of their English lessons to have a look through the selection of books available to purchase; the library will also be open during lunchtimes for students to take another look at all the books on offer. Each student can fill in their 'Book Wishlist' with the titles





of any books that they would like to read. Parents and Carers

can then purchase any of the books on their wish-list online at home – follow this <u>LINK</u> or scan the QR code. Once paid-for, the books can be collected from the CCHS Library the following lunch-time.

The Wish List must be returned as proof of payment – please ensure the payment reference is added to the relevant section of the wish-list, along with the total order value and the books actually purchased. Click here for a sneak preview of some of the book titles that are available to purchase.

Celebrating Student Success

Attendance Weekly Golden Ticket Awards

100% Attendance prize draw - one student from each form group wins their form's 'Golden Attendance Ticket', allowing them to skip to the front of the Clouds food servery queue on a day of their choice.

Congratulations to.....



Year 7

Jessica Beck, Jude Bishop, Luke Cant, Maisie Curtis, Harriet Johnson, Maisey Peters, Julia Sousa McNeill, Max Stevens, Harry Stewart, Maggie-Mai Tulip, Keira Webb Leslie and Anaya Williams



Year 8

Riley Anderson, Liam Brady, Kacey Calder, Finely Coburn, Tyler Dhaine, Archie Foord-Fairman, Kyron Garner, Lily Hale, Phoebe Junczyk, Lacey Scott, Hannah Steer and Imani Young



Year 9

Ronnie Davis, Finley Higgins, Adam Kedge, Darin Kruze, Millie Lambert, Lily Langridge, Jasmine Samways, Finley Smith, Keira Stevens, Ruby Wagland and Aydin Yavuz



Year 10

Lucy-May Carvell, Teddy Davy, Alfie Day, Maya Drelich, Malakai Ellington, Grace Griffiths, Amelia Howell, Alex Lancaster, Grace Sinfield, Thomas Stacey and Joseph Woolf



Year 11

Dennis Ali, Tiffany Ball, Ronnie Forrest, Lily Higgins, Lucy Lou, Kian Price, Tao Revell, Riley Tompkins, Tom Webb and Josh Wood

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Iqraam Ali, Sophie Chapman, Ellie Davis, Noah Dempster, Ervin Dulkerim, Millie Hipkin, Tilly Luton, Tommy Lynch, Stanley Newman and Maggie-Mai Tulip

Winner - Millie

Year 8

Finlay Caffull, Wren Chan, Kyle Edwards, Devon Greenwood, Rhys Hayles, Laura Kedge, Connor Kyzer, Lily Llewellyn, Oliver Reader, Luke Roberts, Harrison Rudkin, Zac Russell and Hayden Welsh

Winner - Connor

Year 9

Chloe Abraham, Adam Berner, Joseph Cartwright, Jacob Fowler, Dennis Langham, Demi Merrick, Joanna Nyautore, Makanaka Albert Rabvukwa, Lilly-May Smith, Precious Smith, Bradley Soames and Jack Swinbourne

Winner - Bradley

Year 10

Sky Crofts, Fraiser Dunn, Ruby Gallagher, Noemi Gancarz, Aaliyah Keely, Imanu'El Kigang, Laci Kill, Bartosz Olejnik, Harvey Sage and Grace Sinfield

Winner – Harvey

Year 11

Sam Brooker, Tilley Randell, Cabhan Steele, Zoe Stockwell, Kieran-John Streeter and John Utley-Forman **Winner** – Tilley

