



Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tending Weekly News



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Year 11 Mock Results Day

Last week, we gave our Year 11 students a taste of an exam results day when they collected the results from their recent GCSE mock examinations. Students also received their termly school report, which contained the predicted GCSE grades that their teachers believe they can achieve if they continue on the same trajectory. However, grades can be improved further by working hard right up until their exams next summer. On mock results day, for most there were smiles all around, but for some students it was the wake-up call that they really needed. Reassurance was a plenty as there is still ample time to improve. Staff at CCHS are dedicated to their students and will always go the extra mile to offer any support and help; students should always talk to their teachers for advice and guidance, and realise that they also need to be ready to commit to their studies. Exam preparation and a focus on their future goals and aspirations, will make the difference, our student revision microsite is full of helpful video tutorials on how to revise effectively.



Next term, we will be launching our annual 'Passport to the Prom' to encourage our Year 11 students to attend as many of their subject revision sessions as possible. We also ask that parents encourage their child to create a revision timetable to enable them to structure their revision, attend all revision sessions after-school, work hard in all their lessons and practise exam questions at home. The number one phrase for students to remember is "Hard work always pays off".

Year 12 in Court – Annual Bar Mock Trial Competition - Runners-Up

A number of our A-Level students recently took part in the local round of the annual Bar Mock Trial competition. They had spent weeks working hard, preparing for the competition, which certainly paid-off. They travelled to Ipswich Crown Court, where the special Saturday sitting was ruled over by real crown court judges. Competing against some of the best schools in Essex and Suffolk, the Sigma Sixth students conducted an inspiring trial, impressed the judges with their preparation, questioning and cross-examination skills. They were certainly a formidable team and only just missed out of winning the heat to the Boswells School from Chelmsford. Congratulations to Rocco, Grace, Hadiyah, Tristan, Jessica and Alana, who were the team's barristers, Tia who acted as Court Clerk and Mia Gittens the team usher. The other members of the team undertook roles as members of the jury and acted as witnesses.



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Autumn Term Draws to a Close

After a long autumn term, the Christmas holiday is now just a week away.

Term ends next Friday, 22nd December. School finishes on that day after Lesson 2 at 11.55am.

CCHS Non-Uniform Day



Donate via
Arbor



Friday 22nd December
Raising Money to
Support
The CCHS Christmas
Day Lunch
Organised by the
Rotary Clubs of Clacton

**Christmas
JUMPER DAY**



The last day of term will be a non-uniform day in aid of charity, and doubles as our own CCHS Christmas Jumper Day. This term we are raising money to support the CCHS Christmas Day Lunch, being organised by the Rotary Clubs of Clacton, for local elderly and lonely people.

Donations can be via the **School Shop Option on **Arbor Pay** - just allocate a donation to the 'CCHS Non-Uniform Day 22nd December' or cash on the day; the recommended donation is a minimum of £1.**

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An Insight into Engineering

Our Year 10 Engineering students gained an insight into the world of engineering, when they attended a special Christmas Lecture at Anglia Ruskin University. Professor Tony Purnell, one of the UK's foremost engineers, was guest speaker for the special event organised by Chelmsford Science and Engineering Society. Professor Purnell has lectured in Engineering at Cambridge University for over ten years but is better known as a highly successful engineering entrepreneur and former principal of the Jaguar and Red Bull Formula One teams. After leaving Red Bull, he became a technical consultant to the FIA, Formula One's governing body. In 2013, Tony turned his hand to another of his passions, cycle racing, and



was appointed Head of Technical Development at British Cycling. At the Rio Olympics in 2016, the GB cycling team clocked up a healthy tally of medals and, more notably on the technical side, broke numerous World and Olympic records for the velodrome. On the back of this success, Tony headed-up a team which completely redesigned the GB bike, and managed to reduce air resistance by over 6%, giving Team GB an unprecedented advantage. The new bike caused a stir on its launch, with its wide forks and unusual titanium-carbon frame, which were a radical departure from convention. Engineered fully within all the technical regulations, it became the Team GB track bicycle for the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. Professor Purnell enlightened the packed house on how the bike was developed and how radical thinking helped Great Britain top the cycling medal table at the Tokyo Olympics.



CCHS Judo Club - Inaugural Gradings



This week our Year 9 Broader Curriculum Judo group undertook their first grading assessments. This year, CCHS became the first school in the country to include Judo classes within the mainstream curriculum. As part of our Broader Curriculum offer, a select number of students in Year 9 have been working towards their first belt grading all term. The Judo group is part of an initiative to give a number of students an outlet where they can grow their focus and control, along with learning skills to help promote supporting others, visible kindness and respect. Many thanks to Laurence Kenyon, British Judo Association Club Support Officer, who returned to help CCHS Judo Instructor, Mr Blanes, conduct the gradings. Congratulations to Tommy, Will, Charlie, Cooper, Ryan, Oliver, Riley, Harry, Archie, Finlay and Louis, along with Mr Stammers and Mr Szulc, who all were successful in obtaining their 6th Kyu Red belt. Next term they will start work on their yellow belt grading, with the aim of them progressing through to their 5th Kyu yellow belt by the end of the summer term.



BookBuzz Reading Club



Every week our Year 7 BookBuzz Club opens during one lunchtime for students to sit and enjoy reading and discussing their books. Many are reading the books that they chose as their free BookBuzz Book and discuss the stories – some have even swapped books to further boost their reading. Students attending each week earn points for a form group reading competition, with a prize up-for-grabs next term for the form who has had most students attend the club. During the recent book club launch, students were treated to special themed cupcakes, each with a BookBuzz title theme.



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, Kieron Crayson, Joshua Fowler, Lewis Hogg, Jessica Hyland, Leyland Marlborough, Jake Mayers, Finnley Reynolds, Lacey Stevens, Jack Woodward and Haydn Wright



Year 8

Syndi Bines, Olly Carpenter, Connor Clawson, George Dunn, Freddie Gallagher, Ashley Joseph, Alfie Knight, Katie Lowe, Bella McKay, Jessica Reader, Ellie Scolah and Ethan Swift



Year 9

Matilda Clarke, Kayla Darnell, Ronnie Davis, Ruby Gittings, Alexis Hunt, Oakley Kerridge, Darin Kruze, Jake McCarthy, Ellis Pearson, Elsie Perry and Daniel Xi Lin Ma



Year 10

Callum Bates, Harry Bowen, Olivia Brown, Andre Cumbers, Archie Davidge, Harry Flanagan, Joshua Hill, Logan King, Alex Lancaster, Bartosz Olejnik and Sophie Townsend



Year 11

Chris Brown, Lexi Duffy, Teddy Fuller, Lily Higgins, Mollie Hogarths, Lydia Jay, Rose Parker, Lucie Pile, Ben Riley and Leah Young

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Winner – Lulu

Year 8

Wren Chan, Caitlin Clarke, George Hall, Rebecca Jinks, Serena Pye, Lily Seymour, Veronica Warren and Brooke Yallop

Winner - Lily

Year 9

Roman Arber, Kayden Bunce, Aiden Denwood, Adam Kedge, Demi Merrick, Isabelle Partridge, Luke Quilter, Jack Swinbourne, Summer Thompson, Chloe Tomlinson and Chloe Vincent

Winner – Aiden

Year 10

Lexie Albert, Nevaeh Edwards, Katie French, Ben Headford, Aaliyah Keely, Laci Kill, India Morrill-Cook, Millie Ollivant, Mia Partner and Grace Westley

Winner – Katie

Year 11

Nate Barrett, Kian Bowen, Morgan Dyer, Lucas Jones, Charlie Newport, Elinga Pilipaviciute, Honey Reeve, Rhianna Reeve, Jessie Searles, Marcus Silvester, Lily Whitbread and Josh Wood

Winner – Jessie