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Sigma Sixth Tending

Weekly News



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Spring Term Awards 2023

At the end of last term, we were delighted to be able to recognise the effort and achievement of students across the school throughout the second term of this academic year, with the return of our end of term awards ceremonies. Numerous awards were given to those who had produced outstanding work, shown a determination to succeed or conducted themselves in a mature and exemplary manner. During their final assembly on the last day of term, along with many subject prizes, a number of students from each year group were presented with special PROUD and Form Tutor awards. Pictured are a number of the award winners from Year 7 to Year 9. There are too many to feature individually, but well done and congratulations to every student who was rewarded for their efforts last term.

Year 7

Form Tutor Awards - Michael, Riley, Bettsie, Daisy, Kasey, Honey, Lilly, Lucas, Edna, Sophie, Tyler, Bella, Ryan and Sky

PROUD Points Winners (Top 3) - Riley, Lilly-May and Zac

Attitude to Learning Awards - Laura, Amelia, Safiya and Kyle

PROUD Ethos Awards - Michael, Hannah, Zac, Oliver and Connor

Most Improved - Dale



Year 8

Form Tutor Awards - Luke, Daisy, Demi, Kayla, Tommy, Ruby, Kirill, Andrea, Coby, Marika and Olivia

PROUD Points Winners (Top 3) -

Milli, Melissa and Hai Yen Thi

Attitude to Learning Awards -

Mason, Daisy and Alfie

Ruby, Marika and Andriela



Year 9

Form Tutor Awards - Amelia, Lucy, Dominic, Logan, Emilia, Addison, Lillie, Skye, Connor, Noemi and Freya

PROUD Points Winners (Top 3) - Grace, Lucy-May and Kayleigh

Attitude to Learning Awards - Kayleigh, Faith and Charlotte

Other Awards – Ethan and Taylor



Year 10

Form Tutor Awards - Chris Brown, Samiha Chowdhury, John Foreman, Tristan Hall, Elise Hillier, Jack Lovelock, Ellie McDougal, Ellie Pinnegar, Maddie Shirley, Luke Willis and Georgie Wilson

PROUD Points Winners - Max Bridgen, Roisin Whyte and Jordan Thomas.

Most Improved Award – Jack Bruce



Year 11

Form Tutor Awards - Alfie Beard, Abie Cordrey, Georgekutty Daison, Abbie Edwards, Chennai Gillmore, Eden Low, Sophie Newton, Stevie-Lee O'Connell Balcome, Joss Paul Miller, Shania Sawyer, Natt Thiwong and Grace Turner.

PROUD Points Winners - Freddie Hasteed, Carlos A-Twum and Jessica Steer-Hume

Most Improved Award – Nikodem Hary Goralewski

Don't forget Monday is a Bank Holiday! Return to school on Tuesday, 2nd May – Years 7, 8, 9 & 12 will follow Online Learning at home; Year 10 will be in for Lesson 1 & 2, Year 11 and Year 13 are in all day for normal lessons.

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Celebrating Exceptional Attitude in the Sport and Design Faculty



Just before the end of the Spring term, a number of Year 7 and Year 8 students attended a special celebration afternoon to acknowledge their achievements in the Sport and Design Faculty. Following their recent reports, those students who have Exceptional Attitude to Learning in two or more of their current of the Sport and Design subjects were rewarded with the opportunity to take part in a special afterschool activity.



These hard-working students had a fantastic afternoon taking part in an activity of their choice; making Flapjacks in Food Technology, producing 3-D laser cut designs in Product Design, using the digital cameras in our photography department, playing some indoor golf or using the climbing wall. The students thoroughly enjoyed their reward activities - congratulations to our students who are achieving multiple 'Exceptional' outcomes for their Attitude to Learning across the school.



London University Essay Finalist

We are delighted that Evie, one of our Sigma Sixth Year 12 students, was selected as one of the finalists in the annual essay writing competition for Year 12 students, organised by the Northeastern University London. Her essay was one of over 8000 essays entered into the competition and to be shortlisted in the English category is an outstanding achievement. The university's competition gives talented and intellectually curious students, who show passion and academic potential in the humanities and social sciences, a springboard into university study. During the Easter break, Evie spent a day at the University to receive her award and spent time touring their facilities.



Media Studies on Location

Sigma Sixth Media students recently enjoyed a private screening of 'John Wick 4' at Colchester's Odeon cinema. The Year 12 and 13 students thoroughly enjoyed having a screen to themselves and also learnt about how a cinema operates, both front of house and behind the scenes.



The thought-provoking film was almost three hours in length, and although a further film in the series has been muted, the dramatic ending to the film left the students wondering if there actually could or would be a fifth John Wick sequel?



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Notices and Letters



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The Weekly Notices is a 'one-stop shop' for home/school written communications and information.

Please take the time to check through the mailing particularly for your child's individual year group: there could be some very important information for you to be aware of.

Whole School Notices

Strike Action Tuesday 2nd May – partial closure

Please be advised that due to further industrial action, we will have to close the school to all students in Years 7, 8, 9, and 12 on Tuesday 2nd May.

Arrangements for individual year groups have been emailed to parents and carers

Summary below:

Years 7,8,9	Online lessons at normal times for the year group	
Year 10	Period 1	Normal lessons
	*Early break with Year 11	
	Period 2	Normal lessons
	Period 3	Travel home
	Period 4	Online lessons. If teacher is not present then independent English Lit revision (work on Year 10 Google Classroom)
Year 11	Period 1	Normal lessons
	Period 2	Normal lessons
	Period 3	Normal lessons
	Period 4	Art GCSE students, coursework catch up for anyone not complete. Others free to go home for independent revision.

Happy National Thank a Teacher Day! Wednesday, 21st June 2023



A nationwide celebration of all UK teaching and support staff can only mean one thing...National Thank a Teacher Day is back on Wednesday 21st June 2023! Don't miss the chance to say thank you and celebrate all the wonderful staff in your teaching community. **Say thank you to an amazing teacher – [Send your Free personalised Thank a Teacher card here](#)**

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Increase in the cost of meal deal in Clouds

Unfortunately, our catering provider has had to increase the cost of a Meal Deal from £2.66 to £3.03 as of Tuesday 2nd May. Please ensure your child's dinner money account is topped up with sufficient funds. Free School Meal allowance for meals taken at school will be increased to reflect this.

(Daily Meal Deal - Main Course or Hot Wrap/Sandwich of the Day PLUS Cookie/Cake of the Day or a small water)

Free School Meals (FSM)

The current situation regarding the cost of living is having a significant impact on the economy and our local community. With this in mind, I would like to share with parents and carers the criteria for Free School Meals and urge you to apply if there is a chance you may be eligible if you access one or more of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross Income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

Application Process

You only need to register once at the school.

To register, please go to <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/ofsm-east>

Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them. If you're eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive additional funding (Pupil Premium) which can support your child in other ways. The extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we can offer.

InterAct (Clacton) – Clubs for students with special educational needs

Every Wednesday for 15 – 18 years old and monthly on a Thursday for 8 -14 years old
[Click here for more information](#)

Interact Club is a local weekly group for 15-18 year old young people with a special educational need and provides an opportunity for them to meet, engage with a number of activities and to support their transition into adult life. More information can be found here or by contacting Louise Bowen louise.bowen@barnardos.org or by visiting their website www.interact.org.uk

PE Clubs – Summer Term- [Click here for a full list of extracurricular activities available for our students.](#)

After school clubs are a very important part of school life. Students can meet and interact with other like-minded students from across different year groups, they help to broaden students perspectives and promote new friendships. There is something to suit almost everyone, so please take a look and encourage your child to get involved with a club or activity. If your child has a suggestion for a club, they should speak with their form tutor or pastoral leader in the first instance, all ideas are warmly welcomed!

Tuesdays – 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Athletics Club (Throwing Events)
Athletics Club (Jumping Events)
Basketball Club
Racket Club – Badminton & Tennis

Wednesdays – 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Athletics Club (Track Events)
Rounders Club
Cricket Club
Table Tennis Club

Are you having trouble getting through?



Student appointments and absence reporting can be made via email absence@cchs.school

Medical or similar appointments for your child should, wherever possible, be made outside of school hours. If this is not possible, an email should be sent in advance to absence@cchs.school. Students who need to sign out during the school day, must sign out at attendance and they will be provided with a green 'Permission to be out of School' slip. They must sign back into school at the attendance office upon their return. This is vital for safeguarding purposes.

(it is helpful to give your child a note, to help them, and the class teacher, remember the appointment)

If your child is too unwell to attend school, please email absence@cchs.school before 8.45am. Please refer to the CCHS website for further information on reporting student absence - [Click here](#)

Term date reminders

- [Term Dates 2023/2024](#)
- Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday school is closed
- Thursday 4th May – Year 8 Parents Evening
- Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday King's Coronation school is closed
- Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June - Half term Holiday
- Friday 21st July – End of Term (school finishes after Period 2)

Year 7

No individual notices for year 7 this week!

Year 8

Parents Evening

Year 8 Parents' Evening will be held on Thursday, 4th May - [Click here for further information](#).

Year 9

No individual notices for year 9 this week!

Year 10

Yr 10 Examinations Booklet

Our Yr 10 booklet gives all the relevant information needed for year 10 students to sit GCSE exams in May 2023. It contains Exam Board Guidelines, School Information, including internal appeal procedures and an Exam timetable.

[Please click here to view the booklet](#)

Free online tuition

In the build up to their GCSE exams. Yr 10 Students can receive up to 3 hours of tuition a week in the weeks (1 hour a week per subject, up to 3 subjects). Year 10 students' tuition is available in Maths, English and Science.

[Letter from Mr Cooke](#)

Year 10 & 11

Year 10 and Year 11 students: A calm place to revise for their exams

The school library is now open every lunchtime for Year 10 and Year 11 only.

- This is a space for them to revise and prepare for upcoming exams
- Revision and Study must be apparent
- Food and drink may be brought into the study area but the library must be kept clean and tidy
- Students may talk whilst in the library but no disruption or distraction to others who may be wanting to work independently!
- When entering the library students must sign in with a student leader at the door



Year 11

Yr 11 Examinations Booklet

Our Yr 11 examinations booklet provides all the relevant information needed for students to sit GCSE exams in April, May and June 2023. It contains Exam Board Guidelines, School Information, including internal appeal procedures and a Revision and Exam timetable.

- [Please click here to view the booklet](#)
- [Click here to view the declining timetable](#)
- [Exams page of our website](#)

Year 11 Prom

We are very much looking forward to the Passport to Prom prize draw which will take place on Friday 12th May. To enter, students need to have completed 25 revision sessions and had 95% attendance over the Passport to Prom period and handed these in to their tutors by Wednesday 10th May. Tickets are available to purchase on ParentPay once your child has met the minimum requirement of 14 sessions and 95% attendance by handing in completed Passports to Prom to their tutor. However, please remember that tickets will be refunded if your child does not attend the compulsory revision sessions and all their exams as per the declining timetable.

Years 12 & 13 - SIGMA SIXTH Important Dates:

Exams Summer 2023 - Sixth Form Students & Parents

We have published the provisional timetable for next summer's A Level and BTEC Level 3 Examinations on the [Sigma Sixth Exams website](#)

In addition, all of the 'Information for Candidates' sheets, supplied to us by the exam boards have been updated. Please take your time to review this important information.

[Exam timetable](#)

SAFEGUARDING, SEND and WELLBEING

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Careers Updates

Following on from our recent Careers' Week and the Careers' Fair held just prior to the Easter holidays, it is important to keep students' attention focussed on their futures and the possible areas of interest for their careers. With this in mind, please take a look at the [CCHS Careers Hub](#) - where students and parents can find out more about the possibilities for future study, apprenticeships or even just seek out some inspiration to explore the opportunities available. Consider, what do I want to do when I leave school or college?

COMMUNITY NOTICES

UK Junior Chess Challenge qualifying event – Sunday, 12st May 2023

UK Chess Challenge (UKCC) is the largest chess competition in the UK – for young players of all ages and abilities. It is one of the most prestigious junior chess events in the world. The UKCC Essex Mega-final will take place at Colchester Town Hall on Sunday, 21 May 2023. The event is supported by [Essex Junior Chess Association](#). This is an excellent opportunity for Essex junior players to qualify for the later stages - [Click here for more information](#)



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

Archie Anderson, An Binh Vu, Lilly Donohue, Harry Green, Demii Lee, Cayden Lloyd, Bobby Majid, Asten Migliorini, Serena Pye, Ellie Scoriah, Kane Steel and Veronica Warren



Year 9

Joshua Arnold, George Barr, Harrison Bolt, Grace Coles, Kierra Cox, Demi-Jai Fenlon, Imanu'El Kigang, Laci Kill, Evie Link, Max Majid and Charlz Paine



Year 10

Tayla Beaver, Emily Bryden, Jake Clark, Maddie Hart, Lily Higgins, Bella Keen, Lukas Rasimas, Tom Webb, Bethany Wreatham and Nathan Wright



Year 11

Sidney Archer, Alfie Baker, Scarlett Crowe, Alice Dawson, Edie Down, Hayden Gearey, Frankie King, Lilana Moore, Hugo Pettit, Kamilla Polit, Isobel Richards and Reece Ryder

Weekly Proud Awards

The top students in each year group who attained the most PROUD+ points last week and also had 100% attendance (listed alphabetically) – Each year group winner collects the top prize of an amazing £10 Amazon voucher.

Year 7

Winner - Finley Gooding

Year 9

Matylda Buda, Lucy-May Carvell, Sky Crofts, Dominic Jarrett, Angel McMahon, Grace Patrick, Heather Roberts, Ethan Salter, Amelie Sambridge and Archie Wall

Winner – Grace

Year 10

Emmy Davidson, Olivia Fenemer, Elise Hillier, Lydia Jay and Sophia McManigan

Winner – Sophia

Year 11

Carlos A-Twum, Zi Yu Dong, Freddie Hasteed, Teddy Keeble, Shania Sawyer, Hannah Underwood and Mareena Xavier

Winner – Zi Yu

