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Spring Term 2024 – Welcome Back!

To all of our parents and students a very warm welcome back to school and a very happy New Year. I sincerely hope that everyone had a very happy and healthy festive season and managed to spend time with those family and friends that are special to you.

The spring term will be very busy for all of the year groups with much to get through in terms of the curriculum as well as many extra-curricular activities and events. Although it is only January, our Year 9 students are now gearing up for their assessment week, which commences on Monday, 22nd January, as part of their ongoing introduction to sitting exams and to help improve their independent learning skills. Our upper school and sixth form college students are now on the run up to their important summer BTEC, GCSE and A-Level examinations; this is their last full term before the exams start, therefore 100% attendance is a necessity. For all students, a positive attitude to learning is the key to success and alongside this, excellent attendance is very important; remember 'every lesson counts'! Any missed lesson is lost face-to-face learning time that cannot be repeated.



The Annual CCHS Presentation Evening

Just before Christmas, we celebrated some of the fantastic achievements of our summer 2023 exam students during our annual Awards Evening. We welcomed back students from last year's Year 11 and Year 13, with many having recently returned from their first term at university, attending with their parents to celebrate their successes. Trophies were awarded for achievement, in each of our Faculty areas, and to those who had made significant progress, since joining our school.



There were numerous subject awards presented for attainment and progress across both the former Year 11 and Year 13 year groups, along with the contribution to whole school awards. One poignant moment was the presentation of the Jamie Batty Art Award. Jamie was a former CCHS student who completed his studies in 2017. He was a happy, thoughtful and well-liked student who showed considerable talent in the arts. Sadly, Jamie lost his life to cancer in 2021 and Jamie's family have established this award in his memory. We were thrilled that Jamie's mum was able to join us for the evening and she was delighted to present the Jamie Batty Art Award to Alfie Elliott. Alfie displayed an amazing work ethic and attitude to learning; his photography work was creative and highly meaningful.

The final award of the evening was the prestigious 'Clactonian' trophy, presented for outstanding progress, contribution to school and local community and exemplary study skills. This year it was presented to former Year 13 student, Chloe Brugnoli-Khan. During her A-Level studies she overcame numerous challenges and propelled herself through adversity to become a first-generation applicant to higher education. Her strong academic characteristics combined with her relentless pursuit for self-improvement has led her to gaining a Foundation Year in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences at the University of Cambridge.

Congratulations to all our award winners, we wish them every success in the next stage of their chosen path.

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Autumn Term Awards

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 first term of this academic year. Numerous certificates were awarded to those who had produced outstanding work, shown a determination to succeed, or behaved in a mature and exemplary manner. Along with many subject prizes, a number of students from each year group were presented with special PROUD and Form Tutor awards, during their final assembly on the last day of term. Well done to every student who was rewarded for their efforts last term.

Year 7

Form Tutors' Awards - Harrison Bark, Tilly-Rose Cook, Phoebe Dhaine, Lilly Edwards, Hayden Ellwood, Jessica Hyland, Grace Marshall, Frankie McDougall, Shay Percival, Riley Protheroe, Darcie Saunders and Nicolas Uram Hricko

Top PROUD Points - Stanley Newman, Karina Gancarz and Finley Ward

PROUD Awards – Perseverance: Habiba Seidu

PROUD Awards – Responsibility: Kyla Sweeney

PROUD Awards – Opportunity: Jayden James

PROUD Awards – Unity: Elodie Soper

PROUD Awards – Diversity: Jacob Hawkins

Year 8

Form Tutors' Awards - April Aghoghovbia, Adam Baldwin, Rivva Byford, Tinashe Jayden Chandiwana, Taylor Clarke, Charlize Cooper, Drew Davies-Lowton, Archie Ford Fairman, Rebecca Jinks, Abigail Marriott, Harry Offord, Serena Pye and Bradley Siddle

Top PROUD Points – Lucas Jiang, Zac Russell, Laura Kedge and Hayden Welsh

Top Attitude to Learning - Lucas Jiang, Serena Pye, Amelia Hawkins, Laura Kedge, Tinashe Jayden Chandiwana, Ava Donaghy, Kyle Edwards and Luke Roberts

Year 9

Form Tutors' Awards - Adam Berner, Jasmine Cooledge, Harriet Grubb, Summer Jenkins, Beau Logan, Albert Mkanaka, Dolce May Gorton, Callum O'Connor, Isabelle Partridge, Luke Quilter and Celeste Tchicaya

Top PROUD Points - Demi Merrick, Sara Paul Saravanan and Celeste Tchicaya

Top Attitude to Learning - Marika Wrembel, Anna Millis, Kaitlin Coward, Andriela Denny, Evie Fletcher and Sara Paul Saravanan

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Year 10

Form Tutors' Awards - Lillie Argent, Faith Bunce, Lottie Chisnell, Kierra Cox, Ruby Gallagher, Noemi Gancarz, Lexi Grint, Dominic Jarrett, Heather Roberts, Evie Sines and Oliver Wicks

Top PROUD Points - Faith Bunce, Kayleigh Howe and Joseph Woolf

Top Attitude to Learning – Faith Bunce, Ethan Salter and Freya Donaghy

Year Group PROUD Award – Evie Sines

Year 11

Form Tutors' Awards - Jake Batchelor, Chris Brown, Mollie Fielder-Jones, Ruby Marshall, Ella-Rose McDougall, Charlie Newport, Scarlett Oughton, Rhianna Reeve, Marcus Sylvester and Bethany Wretham

Top PROUD Points - Lucy Warlow, Tiffany Ball and Kieran-John Streeter
PROUD Awards – Perseverance: Josh Wenham and Alexa Juckiewicz-Caspeil; Year 11 Netball Squad - Tiffany Ball, Tayla Beaver, Zoe Faint, Lilly Higgins, Ruby Marshall, Lucie Pile, Daisy Stow and Isabelle Young

PROUD Awards – Responsibility: Liam Brown

PROUD Awards – Opportunity: Luca Curd, Savannah Samways, Jamal Yahya

PROUD Awards – Unity: Maddie Shirley

PROUD Awards – Diversity: Ruby Doe-Stovell, Elise Hillier, Robyn Hillier, Reuben Marden and Scarlett Oughton

Are you an ex-CCHS student who would like to be part of our Alumni contact group?

We are looking to establish a network of connections with people who have previously attended our school and would like to become involved as part of our careers inspired raising aspirations initiative. Participation doesn't mean that you have to visit the school, nor does it involve any commitment from you other than sending us your profile and allowing us to use this as part of a 'Where Are They Now?' billboard. We will be launching this search for CCHS Alumni via our social media platforms to extend our outreach request to see how far and wide how ex-students have travelled. We can then add them to our contacts so that they receive regular updates on their old school. We look forward to hearing from anyone interested in being part of this in-school initiative. If you would like to be part of the contact group, please email admin@cchs.school



Opening Eyes on the World of Art



During the final week of last term, a number of our Year 10 GCSE Arts students spent the day at The British Museum in Central London. The 'Learning on Location' opportunity helped support the student's current topic of study based on

discovering pattern and decoration found on art and artefacts from a range of different countries and cultures. They were all amazing and it was great to witness the students maximising their visit by sketching ideas and taking photos as they explored the museum.



Managing Post 16 Finances

Before the Christmas break, our Year 12 and 13 students attended a special presentation from 'WizeUp Financial Education', as part of our collaboration with the Jack Petchey Foundation. The 75-minute workshop on 'Financial Literacy',



specifically linked to budgets and ways to earn extra money whilst still

studying, included numerous real-life examples, making it especially relevant and engaging for the young adults. The sixth form students were left in no doubt about the value of finance management as they progress to university or out in the real world. The WizeUp team are soon to return to Sigma Sixth Tending for an insightful session on tax codes and national insurance.



CCHS Basketballers in Action

CCHS hosted a special Coastal Schools Basketball festival with teams visiting from Harwich & Dovercourt High School, Colne Community School, Manningtree High School and Clacton Coastal Academy. In the Under 16 competition CCHS fielded two teams, who each played Harwich & Dovercourt High School in a mini-tournament. The atmosphere for each game was electric, with some fantastic end-to-end action throughout the competition. Well done to the CCHS A-team who won their match against Harwich 51 points to 36.



In the Year 7 competition, five teams played games against each other with the CCHS boys finishing 3rd overall. Well done to both our teams.

CCHS Book Fair

Our recent inaugural Book Fair was an outstanding success, with students from across Years 7 to 10 able to peruse the selection of books on offer, during one of their English lessons, or throughout their lunch breaks every day. Numerous purchases

were made, including during the special evening viewing, when parents were invited to attend and make a purchase.



Sparx Reader

Many thanks to our English team and reading coordinator, Miss Ballard, for organising the fair.

A reminder that students in Years 7 & 8 should be accessing Sparx Reader as part of their English Homework. Parents and carers can help support their children with their reading by following this link - [How to Support Reading at Home](#)



It's Behind You – Oh No It's Not!



Over the festive period, twelve of our talented students took part in the professional pantomime, Aladdin, at the Princes Theatre. Starring alongside former Eastenders' actor, John Altman, the talented CCHS performers performed as part of the four dance teams, appearing in alternate shows, throughout the mammoth twenty-nine show run. Congratulations to our star performers – Senna and Olivia (Year 7); Lilly (Year 8); Melissa, Georgia, Amelia, Ellis, Harlie, and Libby (Year 9); and Emily, Alisha and Lucy (Year 11)

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