



Clacton County High School Sigma Sixth Tending Weekly News



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CCHS Open Evening 2025



Yesterday, Clacton County High School opened its doors for our annual Open Evening, and what wonderful evening it was! We were thrilled to welcome over 1500 prospective Year 6 students and their parents, all keen to catch a glimpse of life at CCHS. The overwhelming turnout once again proved that the 'CCHS experience' is highly sought after! The evening was a fantastic opportunity to demonstrate the great teaching and learning that takes place every day, and to showcase the fantastic resources and opportunities available to all our students.



Every one of our faculties and their teaching departments put on a multitude of engaging activities, demonstrations, and displays, specifically for our visitors. A huge amount of effort and attention to detail was evident, ensuring that visitors gained a realistic and exciting feel for life at CCHS. A huge amount of effort and attention to detail was evident, ensuring that visitors gained a realistic and exciting feel for life at CCHS.



Parents were effusive in their praise, commenting on our outstanding facilities and the enthusiastic staff and students who made the evening so special. We heard from many parents who wished they could be back at school themselves to experience the range of amenities and amazing opportunities available today! For the parents of Year 6 students, the Open Evening was a vital chance to visit our school before making their final secondary school choice. We look forward to welcoming many of our



Year 6 visitors back, as Year 7 students, next September. A key reminder for all prospective families: the deadline for applications is the 31st October 2025 and applications must be completed online via Essex County Council.



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Coastal Schools Sports Fixtures Underway

This week marked the exciting launch of our Coastal Schools Sports League campaign for the 2025/2026 season! The Autumn Term brings the action with our boys' football and girls' netball teams taking to the courts and pitches, with rugby and the girls' football league competitions to follow in the Spring Term. All of our teams were in action this week against Lift Tendring (formally Tendring Technology College). Our younger squads – Year 7, 8 and 9 – travelled away to their Thorpe site for their first fixtures. The very next day, the older students took up the baton, with our Year 10 and Year 11 teams playing their matches on our home turf.



Our Year 8, Year 10 and Year 11 Netball Squads – (photos of our Year 7 and Year 9 squads will feature in subsequent reports.)

It was a challenging start to the league with both our netballers and footballers facing some tough competition. Our netballers were truly thrown 'in at the deep end' up against some of the strongest teams in the league for their first fixtures, especially our Year 7 team who haven't had a real opportunity to train together. All five netball squads struggled to match the pace and skill of their opponents, resulting in defeats across the board. Despite their losses, the determination from the CCHS girls was fantastic! A special mention goes to our Year 7 girls, who played incredibly well and stayed strong throughout their entire game. They even started off by taking the lead. Unfortunately, they fell behind by the final whistle, recording a 13-3 loss, but they all took the challenge in their stride. The boys' teams fared better overall, recording some excellent performances. We had only two teams record defeats, and both were incredibly close contests. Our Year 7 and Year 11 teams both suffered losses by just a single goal. The Year 11 match was particularly nail-biting, decided in the dying seconds of the game when Tendring slotted a late goal into the corner of the CCHS net. A tough pill to swallow, but a great indication of how closely matched our boys are with the league's top team. It's fantastic to see so many of our students representing the school and demonstrating great sportsmanship as they begin their league journeys. Good luck to all our teams for the season ahead.



The Year 10 and Year 11 teams in action this week

Year 10 Team Manager, Mr Henderson reports – This week, our Year 10 team hosted Lift Tendring in a very close encounter. The game got off to a fast start, with the visitors taking the lead with a well-struck 25-yard free kick within the first three minutes! The game settled down after the opening goal, with both teams playing some good attacking football. CCHS could have equalised through Jack, but he lifted his effort over the keeper and the cross-bar. More chances came the hosts' way with Harrison getting the better of his opposite number several times with some mazy runs down the left. Harrison eventually got his rewards after 20 minutes, finishing calmly on the angle when through on goal. Tendring responded well and were fortunate to grab a second goal after a shot rebounded off the post only to go in off Bailey, who could do nothing to stop the ball. In the second half, CCHS started promisingly, pressing the visitors quickly and forcing several corners. From one of these corners, Riley's looping cross evaded everyone and Henry nodded in at the back post to equalise. More pressure from the hosts resulted in Riley winning a penalty, and then coolly converted from the spot himself to make it 3-2. The well-matched teams continued to play end-to-end with Tendring eventually pulling level with a well taken, long-range left-footed shot with eight minutes to go. Both teams were chasing the winning goal, and it was CCHS who nicked it at the end, with Luke turning neatly in a crowded area and finishing in the bottom right corner. Final score: 4-3 CCHS

Essex Schools Outreach Program focuses on Hate Crimes Awareness

This week, we were privileged to welcome representatives from Essex Fire and Essex Police Joint Education Team to CCHS. Throughout the week, the team spoke to students across the school during their weekly assemblies about Hate Crime Awareness. Students learned about the various forms of abuse and the serious consequences of engaging in any form of hate crime. Crucially, they discovered that the majority of abuse falls into one of the key categories of hate crime, which links to discrimination based on Race & Ethnicity, Religion & Belief, Sexual Orientation, Gender and Transgender identity or Disability. The sessions were an invaluable part of our commitment to ensuring a safe, inclusive and respectful environment for everyone in our community. The Joint Education Team also took the opportunity to highlight a number of important tips to help students keep themselves safe when out and about, particularly as the mornings and late afternoons are getting darker this time of the year. Please reinforce these safety messages at home as well. We extend our thanks to the Essex Fire and Police Joint Education Team for delivering these vital and informative sessions.

Celebrating Student Success

Attendance Weekly Golden Ticket Awards – Data from the final week of the Autumn Term

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

Congratulations to.....



Year 7

Ruby, Reggie Croome, Lara, Teddy Fisher, Roxanne Fitch, Tiffany Gees, Oliver Hales, Thea-Ivy Mills, Isaac Ruggles, Mia Sharpe, Bethel and Bella Warren



Year 8

Tianna Beevor, Thomas Edwards, Luke Frost, Zachery, Mya Hawthorn, Iris Isom, Hlib Maslechklo, Summer Newbury-Wood, Neha Noby, Tommy Phillips, Archie Reynolds and Snow White



Year 9

Buddy Cunningham-Mason, Noah Dempster, Lilly-Rose, Millie Hipkin, Elizabeth Horsnell, Ramona Killen, Nikita Kushnir, Kacey-May Messenger, Isabela Mills, Maisie Moore, Maisey Peters and Alfie Smith



Year 10

Mia Bailey, Liam Brady, Tommy Brown, Finley Coburn, Alfie Colwill, Harrison Fox, Laura Kedge, Bailey Marsh, Harvey Phillips, Nate Rowe, Callum Smith and Molly Wells



Year 11

Lexie Anderson, Scarlett Edmeades, Harlie Hiller, Tilly Jarman, Samuel Jolley, Beau, Ellie-May Lucas, Joris Matlauskas, Harrie, Logan Parker and Ashley Salsbury

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 a £5 Amazon voucher.



Year 7

Holly Clark, Lilly-Luan Featonby, Amelia Hardinge, Lola Haste, Sofia Horsfall, Spencer Morris, Joella, Emily Partridge, Ava Rook and Carrera Strobl

Winner – Ava

Year 8

Ruby Barratt, Savannah Barratt, Charlotte Broad, Tyler C, Callum Eastman, Annabelle Fenemer, Ben Gillett, Roman Lilley, Hannah McClinton, Max Shelton and Dulcie Westbrook

Winner – Tyler

Year 9

Dylan Barnett, Ronnie Brodley, Madison Brown, Flynn Carter, Milo Evans, Lewis Hogg, Stanley Newman, Jomiloju, Theo Parker and Rumer Powell

Winner – Ronnie

Year 10

April, Levi Brazier, Bluebell Cunningham-Mason, Ava Donaghy, Lucas Jiang, Tosheema Mihindukulasoorya, Harrison Rudkin, Ami Ryan-Smith, Emmie Smith, Page Snipp, Erin Stevenson, Zack Strange, Freya Wakeling-Glasgow, Holly Walsh and Molly Wells

Winner – Zack

Year 11

Habil Ahmed, Daisy Buda, Aimee Cowlin, Eleanor Filby, Freddie Gentry, Ruby Gittings, Naledi-Kimberely Mabhena and Sara Paul-Saravanan

Winner – Habil

