



CLAIRE'S COURT
SENIOR BOYS

Weekly Bulletin

27 SEPTEMBER 2024 (AUTUMN TERM WEEK 4)

FROM THE OFFICE

PTA Fireworks - purchase your tickets now!

Get ready for a fantastic evening at the PTA Fireworks Night on Saturday 12 October (@CCJuniors SL6 4QQ) starting from 5pm! Tickets purchased in advance are £9 for adults, £6 children and £25 for a family and include a tasty burger or hotdog (vegetarian options available). There will be a prize for the best pumpkin creation and enjoy the dazzling display of *low-noise fireworks* from 7.15pm. **Purchase your tickets in advance before 7 October at ccpta.org.uk** for.....

- discounted ticket prices
- guaranteed food
- avoid queues on the night

From 7 October, tickets will only be available to purchase at the gate on the night. Please note dogs are not allowed at the event.

Burger or hotdog included with your ticket. (Vegetarian options available.)

PTA FIREWORKS NIGHT

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER – 5PM

Low noise fireworks from 7.15pm
at Claire's Court Juniors

Online Tickets Adult £9, Child £5, Family £25 (2 adults and 2 children)	Price on the gate Adult £10, Child £6, Family £30* (2 adults and 2 children)	Prize for the best pumpkin, bring it on the night! ccpta.org.uk
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*On gate tickets cannot be guaranteed food. Strictly no dogs allowed either in cars or on site

Seniors Stage Production: **It's Showtime!** - **secure your seat now!**

Bookings are now open for our joint Seniors stage production taking place at College Avenue SL6 6AW on Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 November. The cost is £20 a seat to include a beautiful spread of yummy finger food. Numbers are limited to 80 per night, so book your seat early via the [Payment Portal](#) to avoid disappointment. Once payment is made please complete the [Dietary Requirements & Seating Requests form](#) as appropriate.

13 / 14 November 2024 7.30pm
£20/seat (includes beautiful spread of yummy finger food!)
Limited to 80 seats per night - book now via the [Payment Portal](#)

Tables of 10 people. Complete [form](#) with dietary requirements & to request seating with friends (one form per group)

IT'S SHOW TIME!

PTA CASH BAR

ICONIC
Songs from the musicals performed by the **Clares Court Senior students**

@Senior Girls College Avenue SL6 6AW

Flu Vaccination - **please give or withhold consent as soon as possible**

Please find shared the [Flu Vaccination letter](#) from the Berkshire Immunisation Team who will be visiting Clares Court Senior Boys on Tuesday 12 November (see this [leaflet](#) for further information). Please complete the [Consent for Flu Nasal Spray form](#) using school code BK110153B to either **give or withhold consent**. You will need your child's NHS number which can be found [here](#) if not known. If your child is unable to have the nasal flu vaccine due to the porcine gelatine, there is an alternative injectable flu vaccine - see [letter](#) for further information.

Springboard FutureChef Competition

Next week sees the heats for the [FutureChef](#) competition taking place at Senior Boys and Girls and we have the pleasure in welcoming to the school the following two chefs as judges:

- Wesley Smalley from Seasonality Restaurant, Maidenhead
- Wai-Kee from Leigh House Chinese Restaurant, Beaconsfield

Good luck to all our pupils taking part!



Rewards and Sanctions weekly email

The weekly Rewards and Sanctions email was sent out yesterday from your son's form tutor, please look out for its safe receipt and check your spam/junk folder if you do not receive it.

Principal's Blog

Please read Mr Wilding's latest blog - [My Week: "Any name in the headlines" as told to Claires Court SchoolTV.](#)

Claires Court School TV - Respectful Relationships

Fostering a nurturing environment of respectful relationships within your family holds the key to not only harmonious living, but also improved academic outcomes for your children. As parents and caregivers, embracing the art of teaching children about respect at a young age sets the stage for a lifetime of healthy interactions and empathetic understanding. It will help cultivate a positive environment where communication flourishes, conflicts are resolved constructively, and bonds are fortified. If young people understand that respect is not just a word, but a practised behaviour, they will be empowered with essential life skills. Effective communication, active listening, and the art of compromise, will provide your child with a solid foundation that will transcend family interactions and help them collaborate effectively with peers, teachers and the broader community. Read more here...

<https://clairescourt.uk.schooltv.me/newsletter/respectful-relationships>

Maidenhead Town Show

[Craft Coop](#) is a community interest company (CIC), a social enterprise business set up specifically to benefit the community. All of their activities support the community, and any extra profit goes back to the community. On Sunday 13 October, as part of their CIC mission, they will be hosting the 11th [Maidenhead Town Show](#) – a day that celebrates local creativity and family fun of all sorts – making, cooking, baking, crafting, singing, dancing and general merriment!



FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES

ALL YEAR GROUPS

Shoebox Deadline - Friday 8 November

Please find information about our [Operation Christmas Child: Shoebox Collection Drive](#) and return all filled shoeboxes to school **by Friday 8 November**. Thank you for making a big difference for a child in need this Christmas.



PTA Quiz Night - Friday 29 November 6pm - 8pm

Mrs O'Clee and Mr Richards are the quiz masters for the evening so brush up on your maths, history, general knowledge, popular music and film.

- **Why are we doing this?** The aim of this event is to bring people together, have some fun and raise some money for the PTA.
- **What will it be like?** It will be like last time; a fun evening with a well stocked bar and accessible questions.
- **Where is it?** College Avenue SL6 6AW, in the Hall.
- **What about food?** Bring your own food or order in.

- **How much is it?** Teams of 10 at £10 per person.
- **Great, where can I get tickets?** It was a sold out event last time, so the tickets are likely to go quickly. Advanced tickets can be secured through Melanie Doe in the front office at College Avenue. Melanie is also happy to answer any queries you might have. med@clairescourt.net
- **What if I can't get a team of 10 together?** Well, fortunately, all the parents at Claires Court are lovely, so we will assign you a table and you can make some new friends.



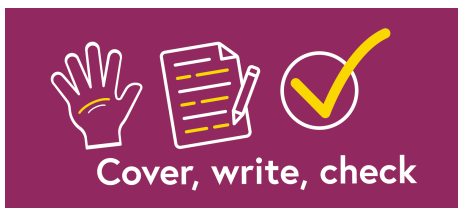
YEAR 7 ONLY

B7 Parents Pastoral Evening & Workshare - Wednesday 16 October

* save the date *

Year 7 Study Skills

The Year 7's had their first study skills session yesterday and learnt that memory is a skill that can be practised and that visual memory is often stronger than verbal or auditory memory. The main skill they were taught was 'COVER, WRITE, CHECK' and have been encouraged to use this strategy to help with their learning homeworks up to half term. They were also introduced to the concept of 'Text to Pictures' as a revision strategy, more detail on this will follow after half term.



YEAR 8 ONLY

B8 Parents' Evening - Tuesday 12 November

* save the date *

YEAR 9 ONLY

Year 9 Geography Trip to Kew - Tuesday 15 October

Please make £15 payment for the [Geography trip to Kew Gardens](#) via the [Payment Portal](#) by **Friday 11 October**. Pupils should wear full school uniform and bring a waterproof coat in case of adverse weather. They should also bring a small bag containing writing equipment, a clipboard (if possible), nut free packed lunch and drinks for the day. Additionally they may wish to bring a small amount of money in case there is the opportunity to buy a drink or souvenir.

B9 Options Information Evening - Thursday 5 December

* Save the date *

YEAR 10 ONLY

B10 Parent Workshop

Thank you to those parents who came along to the workshop on Wednesday evening, please find the [presentation slides](#) for your reference.

B10 Parents' Evening - Tuesday 5 November

* save the date *

YEAR 11 ONLY

B11 Study Skills - 30 September/1 October

Selected pupils have been invited to attend a study skills session with our external consultant Linda Greetham on Monday or Tuesday next week (you would have received a letter on Monday with an allocated timeslot if so). Pupils will need to bring with them revision materials they prepared for the Year 10 Summer exams and exam papers, as well as a charged chromebook, stationery, some exercise and text books.

B11 Parent Workshop - Wednesday 9 October

* Save the date *

TRIP LETTERS

[Year 9 Seniors Geography Trip to Kew Gardens](#)

[Year 9 History Trip 'Battlefields of Flanders' 2025](#)

[CC Sailing - Greece Final Information 2024](#)

[CCF Joining Letter](#)


[Bath Rugby Tour Final Letter](#)

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Root of the Week

A reminder about 'Root of the Week' where pupils learn one new word root and its meaning each week, along with examples of words containing that root in an attempt to increase vocabulary and comprehension.

- The root this week was '**inter**' meaning '**between**'
- Example words: interculturalism, international, internet, inter-house, intervene

 <p>CLAIRE'S COURT SENIORS</p> <p>Inter</p> <p>Origin: Latin</p> <p>Meaning: Between</p>	<p>Examples:</p> <p>Interculturalism</p> <p>International</p> <p>Internet</p> <p>Inter-house</p> <p>Intervene</p> <p>Intercept</p> <p>Interrupt</p> <p>Intergalactic</p>
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Linguists of the Week

In Spanish for a great start to the term:

Year 7: Rufus C, Will G, Jack M, Berty L, Joey F, Monty G, Xander F, James C

Year 8: Hayden D, Olly N-B, Oliver W, Henry P, Deven S, Jonny D

Scientists of the Week

Year 9 - Toby P and Joshua C for their Excellent Revision Flash card Homework in Chemistry

Year 10 Jack L for brilliant balancing of nuclear decay equations

Year 11 Gareth W and Nathan D for their excellent Chemistry practical skills and calculations in titration practical

GENERAL INFORMATION

Sickness Absence

Please report all absences daily to the school office before 9.30am either via the [Report Portal](#) (accessible via the Parents page of our [website](#)), by email to seniorboys@clairescourt.com or 01628 327600.

Medical/Dental Appointments

Please notify the school office at least 24 hours prior to the appointment via email to seniorboys@clairescourt.com. We would also ask where possible that appointments are made outside of school hours or during school holidays.

Term Time Absence

Please see our [Attendance and Holidays in Term Time Policy](#) noting that absence for holidays is not encouraged during term time and will not normally be authorised for the first or last week of any term. If you do wish the headteacher to review a request please complete the [Online Holiday Request Form](#).

Leaving School / Returning to School during the School Day

If you are collecting your son for an appointment during the school day, he should wait in reception at the allotted time. When you have arrived outside to pick him up, please call the school on 01628 327600 and we will sign him out and send him out to you. Pupils are not permitted to wait outside or use their phones in reception. When your son returns to school, he must sign in at reception before going to lessons so that we know he is back in school.

Illness and Games afternoons

If your son is unable to play sport, he is expected to accompany his year group to games and will be given an alternative role. Permission for non-attendance at games afternoons can only be signed off by the nurses (Medical-CC@clairescourt.net) or the Director of Sport, Mr Carter (sic@clairescourt.net).

Medication

Any medication should be handed into the school accompanied by the [CC Administration of Medicine Request Form](#) for nurses to administer.

