



## CLAIRES COURT SENIOR GIRLS

# Weekly Bulletin

**FRIDAY 8 November 2024 - Week 8**

### Principal's Blog

[Please read Mr Wilding's latest blog](#): "We've been cursed with the ability to imagine the future without being able to see it" – Ian Leslie

### FROM THE OFFICE

#### DECK THE HALLS with our Christmas Trees!

Get your Christmas tree and support the Claires Court Boat Club this festive season!

- **How to Order:** Visit our [PTA website](#) and order by Tuesday 26 November
- **Pick-up:** Saturday 7 December 10am-12pm from Senior Boys school

More details to follow

#### UNIFORM REMINDER

- **Skirts** - The skirt must be on the knee and is now our all year round skirt which can be worn without tights in the summer.
- **Hair** - must be of a natural colour, and in a ponytail if longer than shoulder length. Please remove any fabric braids that may have been put in whilst on holiday.
- **Earrings** - pupils may wear two pairs of plain circular studs - cartilage and nose piercings are not allowed and pupils will be told to remove them. No other jewellery is permitted.

If your child is planning on having their ears pierced, please ensure this happens at the start of the summer holidays to allow for the advised **6 week healing process**. Please note jewellery or piercings of any kind are not permitted for PE/Games/sports fixtures. Pupils are **not** permitted to tape earrings in line with AfPE guidance, therefore please ensure piercings happen early in the summer holidays to allow full participation in the curriculum from September onwards.

- **Make-up** is not allowed in Year 7-9 and only light, discreet make-up in Year 10-11. False nails and eyelashes are not allowed and pupils will be asked to remove them.
- **Coats** - you may wear a Claires Court branded coat to and from school

and also throughout the school day over your blazer during the colder months. If your coat is not a Claires Court branded coat then you may wear it to and from school but it must be put away in your locker once you arrive.

During the school day pupils do not need to be outside during lunchtimes and break times as they can access the dining hall and chapel at all times, and the hall at break times. Therefore coats during the school day should not be required.

### **YEAR 8 - 11 PARENT INTERNET SAFETY TALK OCTOBER 2024**

Please find the [slide presentation here](#) regarding the Internet Safety Talk held on Wednesday 16 October.

### **CCF TRAINING INFORMATION**

Due to the darker and colder evenings we are more restricted in the kind of training we can offer, so until further notice CCF will finish at the slightly earlier time of 5.45pm.

### **CLAIRES COURT HEADMASTERS RUN CLUB (CC - HMRC!)**

Is your daughter interested in joining our run club which is open to all staff and pupils, regardless of experience level. Whether they're a seasoned runner or just starting out, everyone is welcome to join.

- **When:** Every Friday morning - 7.20am arrival for a 7.30am (sharp!)
- **Where:** Starting and finishing from outside the Senior Boys' reception
- **Distance:** Choose between a 3.5km ([Sheep](#)) or 5km route ([Double Sheep](#))

The plan is to make sure we're back at school by 8am, so if you think a 5km run might take longer than 30mins, please opt for the 3.5km option.

Any pupils wishing to join will need the [consent form](#) **to be completed by a guardian/parent** before their first run. Please see pictures below for the first run completed by staff with pupils joining in today!





### **POPPY APPEAL 2024**

We will still have poppies to purchase on Monday 11 November. The Poppy Appeal this year focuses on the mental health of military service personnel and their families. We will be holding a two minute silence at 11am on Monday.

### **FLU IMMUNISATION NASAL SPRAY Tuesday 12 November**

**!!Deadline for completing the e-consent form is midnight today, Friday 8 November!!**

The e-consent form still has to be completed whether you are/are not giving consent for your daughter to have this. You will need our unique code for the form which is **BK110153G**.

### **Please find further details below:**

How to find your NHS Number  
Parent/Carer E-Consent Letter  
Protect yourself against Flu

### **SENIORS STAGE PRODUCTION [It's Showtime!](#)**

Main Hall, College Avenue SL6 6AW

If you would like to attend and have not reserved seats, there are limited seats remaining for **Wednesday night only**, so please contact your school office to enquire.

Drinks will be available to purchase on the night with thanks to the PTA and this will be **card payment only** (no cash). A grazing table is included in the price and a seating plan will be available on the night at College Avenue SL6 6AW.

**PTA CHRISTMAS MARKET Thursday 21 November 6.30pm - 8.30pm**  
being held at our Junior School SL6 4QQ



**PTA QUIZ NIGHT Friday 29 November 6pm - 8pm** College Avenue, SL6  
6AW School Hall



## **COPAS PTA FUNDRAISER**

Order an award-winning [turkey from Copas](#) and raise funds for Claires Court School. Simply enter the code **CCM24PTA** at the checkout and Copas Turkeys will donate 5% of your order value to the school PTA



## **ST LUKE'S CHURCH [Christmas Tree Festival 2024](#)**

We know it's very early but would just like to promote this as again this year all Claires Court school divisions will sponsor a tree each, decorate and donate to St Luke's for them to distribute after the event to care homes or families in need. You can also vote for your favourite decorated tree (Senior Girls, of course!)

Please pop along when the festival is being held which is in support of [Thames Valley Heartbeart](#)

## **CASTLE MEATS DISCOUNT for Claires Court Family and Friends**

One of our meat suppliers, Castle Meats, has kindly extended a 10% discount on Christmas meat orders to all staff and parents at Claires Court. Castle Meats has been a Claires Court supplier for eight years. Just identify yourself as a Claires Court parent or staff member to get the discount.

Castle Meats, 11 Harrison Way, Cippenham, Slough, SL1 5LG Tel: 01628 666034

## **ROOT OF THE WEEK this week was ANTI...**

<b>Anti</b>	<b>Examples:</b>
<b>Origin:</b> Greek	Antidote
<b>Meaning:</b> Against or Opposing	Antiphonal
	Anticlockwise
	Antiseptic

**YEAR GROUP INFORMATION** - links to letters, parents' evening appointment forms, etc will be found on the respective year groups below:

### **YEAR 7**

#### **Winchester Science Centre Trip - Monday 25 November**

As a finale to Space Week, Year 7 will be going to the [Winchester Science Centre](#) on Monday 25 November. The trip will take place within the normal school day timings, so pupils should be dropped at school at the usual time and usual collection arrangements apply as pupils will be returning to school by 4pm. Pupils should wear school uniform, bring a nut-free packed lunch and drinks, plus a small amount of money if desired.

### **YEAR 8**

#### **Monday 11 November**

#### **Parents' Evening 5.30pm-8pm**

Just a reminder that booking will close at 12pm tonight **Friday 8 November**. Instructions can be found [here](#) and bookings made via <https://clairescourt.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. Please use your child's full name, as nicknames are not accepted by the system. Our PTA is also holding a Nearly New Sale during the evening which will be situated in The Chapel.

### **YEAR 9**

#### **Tuesday 3 December**

#### **Online G9 Options Evening 6pm-7pm \*Save the Date\***

Please note this will be an online meet and details will be emailed out soon.

### **YEAR 10**

#### **Tuesday 19 November**

## **Year 10 English Mock Examination**

The girls in G10 will be taking an English Language IGCSE mock exam during G11 mock week (specifically, this will be on **Tuesday 19 November**) as they are taking the qualification in the summer and it is a good opportunity to take a paper in exam conditions.

Please find shared the [GCSE Rules and Regulations booklet](#) that we ask you to read carefully and keep for future reference.

## **YEAR 11**

### **w/c 18 & 25 November - Year 11 Mock Examinations**

Please find the [Year 11 Mock Examination Timetable](#) taking place over two weeks from Monday 18 November to Friday 29 November and a copy of the [GCSE Rules and Regulations booklet](#) that we ask you to read carefully and keep for future reference.

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