



**CLAIRES COURT**  
**SENIOR GIRLS**

# Weekly Bulletin

**FRIDAY 14 February 2025 - Week 6**



Have a great half term break!

## **James Wilding Blog**

Read the latest blog, ["Halfway through the academic year, it's Valentine's Day, and a good chance to be positive!"](#)

## **FROM THE OFFICE.....**

### **Invitation to the PTA AGM**

All parents are invited to attend the PTA AGM, at our Junior School on Friday 7 March, at 12.30pm with a sandwich lunch, ending at 1.45pm. It's a good chance to see how the PTA supports the school. Please complete the [form](#) here if you'd like to attend so we can plan for catering.

### **PTA Pre-loved Uniform Plea**

If you have some uniform that your daughter has grown out of please drop it off at reception for the pre-loved uniform shop that our fantastic PTA volunteers organise. Please only send in uniform in good condition and CLEAN. You will understand that we cannot accept dirty/damaged uniform that cannot be sold.

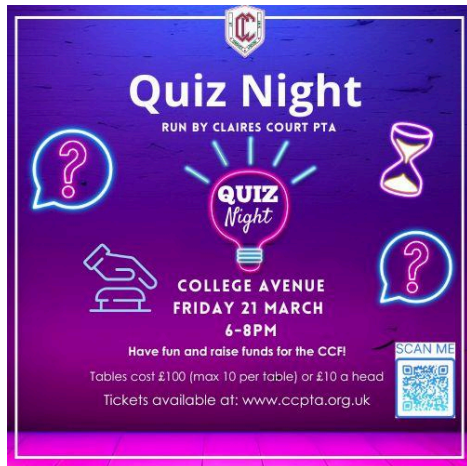
If you would like to purchase pre-loved uniform, please get in touch with the school office at 01628 327500 or [seniorgirls@clairescourt.com](mailto:seniorgirls@clairescourt.com) who can provide you with all the information you need.

## Thames Hospice - Baking Competition & Sale/Non Uniform Day

A **BIG** thank you to all parents, pupils and staff for your donations - we are still counting the money received in cash and on the Payment Portal but so far we have collected over £300 for Thames Hospice.

## The Croft Clinic - ADHD and Autism Support Group Coffee Morning Friday 14 March

Please see further details [here](#). RSVP by Friday 7 March  
[admin@thecroftclinic.com](mailto:admin@thecroftclinic.com)



## PTA Quiz Night - Friday 21 March **ALMOST SOLD OUT!!**

We only have a few seats left now which will mean joining another group to make up a 'mixed' table of 10 - please double-check with Helen Phipps via [hep@clairescourt.net](mailto:hep@clairescourt.net) on availability.

### Reminder:

Tickets are £10 per person and can be booked here -> <https://ccpta.org.uk/products/quiz-time>. There will be a bar, card payment only, with thanks to the PTA and bring your own food or order food in.

## Seniors Spring Concert - Thursday 27 March **\*SAVE THE DATE\***

This music concert will be held at College Avenue and further details will be shared in due course.

## Friday Morning Run Club - **Parents welcome!**

Friday Morning Run Club invitation extended to all our parents. You don't need to be a seasoned runner to get involved, in fact you don't even have to run it, you can walk! but it's an opportunity every week to train at a set time with a good group of people.

- **When:** Friday 28 February 7.20am arrival for a 7.30am (sharp!) start
- **Where:** Starting and finishing from outside the Senior Boys' reception
- **Distance:** Choose between a 3.5km ([Sheep](#)) or 5km route ([Double Sheep](#))



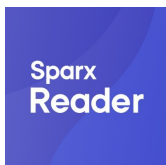
### Netball Development

Now that the evenings are lighter, Netball Development will return to Senior Girls, College Avenue, on Wednesdays, running from 4-5pm.

### Root of the Week.....

<p><b>Super</b></p> <p>Origin: Latin</p> <p>Meaning: Over or Above</p>	<p><b>Examples:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supersonic</li> <li>Supersensitive</li> <li>Superhero</li> <li>Supervisor</li> </ul>
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### Sparx Reader of the Week



**Friday 14 February** - this week's winners are:  
 Year 7 Ava M  
 Year 8 Anni R

### Accelerated Reader of the Week



**Friday 14 February** - well done to the following girls:  
 Year 7 Maddie McC  
 Year 8 Olivia D  
 Year 9 Lily McN

## **News, News, News!**

Take a look here..... <https://bit.ly/40qgNjs> at our fantastic media wall on the school website where we collate all the stories from across the school. There are stories from Instagram, Facebook and Twitter plus photo albums from Flickr which can all be filtered by year group/activity/event.

## **YEAR GROUP INFORMATION/LETTERS/TRIPS.....**

*Reminders below but please do look at the school calendar*

### **YEAR 7 - YEAR 12 BELGIUM CHOIR TOUR**

#### **October Half Term**

[Belgium Choral Music Tour letter](#) 18 - 21 October for pupils currently in Years 7-12. To secure a place, a non-refundable £350 deposit is required via the [Payment Portal](#) by **Monday 3 March**.

### **YEAR 10 - YEAR 12 DRAMA THEATRE TRIP 'BLOOD BROTHERS'**

#### **Wednesday 26 February**

Please find shared the [Y10-12 Drama Theatre Trip letter](#) to see Blood Brothers at the Theatre Royal Windsor on **Wednesday 26 February**. To confirm your child's place on this trip, please pay £46 (non-refundable) via the [Payment Portal](#) and complete the [Consent Form](#) please note the **payment deadline is TODAY!**

### **Year 10 - GCSE Art & Textiles Pupils **only** to V&A**

#### **Wednesday 5 March**

Please find the [information here](#) regarding the Year 10 GCSE Art & Textiles trip. The payment of £18 to cover the cost of travel.

### **Year 10 - Geography Trip to Margam Park**

#### **20-22 March 2025**

Please find the [Margam Park Geography trip letter](#) taking place 20-22 March 2025, where girls will undertake fieldwork to collect data for their paper 3 Geographical Investigations. The [consent form](#) should be completed and the non-refundable £360 [payment](#) please note that the **payment deadline is 28 February**.

**YEAR 11** *please find lots of information for our Year 11 Senior Girls and Parents below.....*

### **GCSE Examination Timetable**

Please find the generic written timetable [here](#). Pupils will have received a personalised timetable from their Form Tutor this morning or yesterday, so please do check with your daughter for safe receipt of that.

### **GCSE Food Practical Exam - Wednesday 5 March**

\*Reminder\* 9am

### **Playworker Programme - application deadline 14 March**

Please find the [Playworker Programme letter](#) which will be running w/c 30 June. Year 11 pupils will have an assembly about the scheme after half term. Those interested in applying should complete an [application form](#) by 14 March.

## **Work Experience Summer Term**

After the GCSE examination period is complete, our Year 11 students may have a number of school commitments to be involved with, including sporting and expedition opportunities. In addition, we have found that many students have benefitted from acquiring work skills and this period provides them with an opportunity to pursue those interests.

The weeks concerned are:

- Week 1 w/c 23 June
- Week 2 w/c 30 June

Please find all the information [here](#)

## **Parents Evening - Tuesday 18 March \*SAVE THE DATE\***

Information to follow after the half term regarding the online Schoolcloud booking system enabling parents to make their own appointments.

## **GCSE Subject Directory 2024/25**

Please find [details here](#) regarding the various subjects/exam board/coursework deadlines/exam dates. You will also find a link to the GCSE handbook on the document.

## **'Drop In' GCSE Clinics**

Please find the Year 11 GCSE Clinic Timetable [here](#).

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