

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY - Week 7



James Wilding Blog

Read the latest blog, "Special Report: Navigating AI Relationships"

FROM THE OFFICE.....



Non Uniform Day £2 donation Monday 3 March

DASH supports adults and children experiencing mental health issues and homelessness associated with domestic abuse and to help raise much needed funds for this worthwhile charity we are holding a non-uniform day on **Monday 3 March** in exchange for a £2 donation payable by cash to the Form Tutor or via the Payment Portal. Thank you once again for your support.

PTA AGM - next Friday

We invite all parents to attend the PTA AGM, at our Junior School (SL6 4QQ) 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. If you'd like to come, please complete the <u>form</u> here if you'd like to attend so we can plan for catering.

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

Please see further details <u>here</u>. RSVP by **Friday 7 March** <u>admin@thecroftclinic.com</u>

SOLD OUT PTA Quiz Night - Friday 21 March *SOLD OUT*

Apologies but it is a very popular event!



Joint Seniors Spring Concert - Thursday 27 March

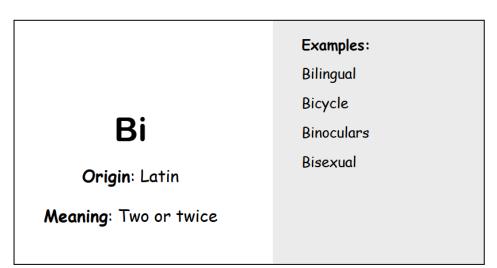
Parents whose child is participating in the concert have been forwarded the information already, however, all are welcome to attend but please can you contact Helen Phipps (<u>hep@clairescourt.net</u>) no later than Friday 21 March so that a booking form can be emailed to you due to limited space available in the hall.

Additional Transport Route

We are exploring the introduction of new school bus routes from Bracknell (starting September 2025) and Hillingdon (starting September 2026). If you are interested, please contact Vectare by **Friday 28 March** via the <u>'Contact Us'</u> form and select 'Express interest in additional transport routes'. Please note if we do not receive sufficient demand we will not be able to run the route.

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.....

Sparx Reader of the Week



Friday 28 February - this week was optional as the girls had CT2 homework prep so the girls who scored points this week have gone above and beyond: Year 7 Ava M Year 8 Anni R

Accelerated Reader of the Week



Friday 28 February - well done to the following girls: Year 7 Ava Year 8 Ellie Year 9 Tilly

Reminders

Tights/Hair Ties: Please supply your daughter with a spare pair of tights she can keep in her bag/locker to change into incase of unsightly holes/ladders appearing during the day. We do keep some 'emergency' tights in stock but not vast quantities. Parents will be charged on their EOT bill for these. Also the same with hair ties - long hair is to be tied up off the face and again a **small** amount is kept in the office - otherwise when stock runs low we give the girls ordinary rubber bands which are not kind to the hair.

Sickness/Medical Appointments: Please report all absences daily to the school office before **9.30am** either via the <u>Report Portal</u> (accessible via the Parents page of our <u>website</u>), by email <u>seniorgirls@clairescourt.com</u> or 01628 327500. For medical appointments we would appreciate 24 hours notice, where possible, so that the office can inform the teaching staff if a pupil has to leave a lesson early or is missing in the morning due to an appointment.

Medication: Any medication must be handed into the school office together with a completed <u>Administration of Medicine Request Form</u>. Both will be given to the nursing team to keep and administer.

Holidays: For holiday requests please complete the <u>Term Time Holiday Request</u> <u>Form</u>.

News, News, News!

Take a look here..... <u>https://bit.ly/40qgNjs</u> 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.

Manorbier, Pembrokeshire - Outdoor Adventure Trip October Half Term

Please find att'd <u>letter here</u> regarding the outdoor adventure trip at October half term which is available for **Year 7 - Year 12** boys and girls. If your child would like to take part in this trip, please could you complete this <u>consent form</u> and pay the **non-refundable** deposit of £200 by **Friday 7 March** using the school **Payment Portal**.

YEAR 7

Dorney Court History Trip - Thursday 13 March

Please find the History Trip to Dorney Court letter. Pupils should arrive at school at the normal time in the morning and will return to school by the normal end of the day timings, ready for their usual pick up or activities/study. They will need to bring a nut-free packed lunch, drinks, rain proof coat and should wear school tracksuits.

YEAR 8 ONLY

Year 9 Options Information Evening - 6pm Wednesday 5 March

Following the letter emailed out yesterday about Subject choices for Year 9 September 2025, please join the short online Information Evening to explain the process and answer any questions you may have and note the deadline for completing the Choices Form is **Monday 10 March**.

YEAR 9

Thames hospice

Year 9 Senior Girls 'Get Vinted'

CCSG G9 are running a 'Vinted' stall for Charities week on Thursday 20 March



Please can we ask on behalf of G9 that if you have any clothes/sellable items that you no longer need that may appeal to our girls (Teen clothes, size 6-12 female clothing, shoes, accessories) please bring these in before 20 March in a clean bag - if you want to begin bringing them to the PE office at CCSG and hopefully as the amount of donations grows we will find an alternative place to store the donations.

Anything we do not sell will be donated to the Thames Hospice Charity shop to help them raise even more money for their mission to support their palliative and end of life care offering.

These are the categories:

- New with tags
- New without tags
- Very good
- Good
- Satisfactory

Cadbury World Trip

Tuesday 25 March - Payment due by Friday 7 March

Please find att'd <u>letter here</u> - the cost of the trip is £35 to be paid by 7 March and is available to pay now on the Payment Portal.

YEAR 10 GCSE Art & Textiles Pupils only to V&A Wednesday 5 March

Please find the <u>information here</u> regarding the Year 10 GCSE Art & Textiles trip. The **payment deadline £18 is due today Friday 28 February** which is to cover the cost of travel.

Geography Trip to Margam Park 20-22 March 2025

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

Careers Fayre Reading University Thursday 27 March

Year 10 girls will be attending a <u>Careers Visit to the University of Reading</u> on Thursday 27 March taking place within the normal school day timings. Pupils should wear their full school uniform, including a blazer, bring a coat depending on weather, writing equipment and notebook, nut-free packed lunch and drinks, as well as the books/Chromebook she requires for her normal Period 5 lesson.

Year 10 GCSE Business Trip - payment by Monday 31 March

Please find shared the GCSE Business Trip Letter 2025 for Year 10 pupils taking place on Monday 30 June. To confirm your child's place on this trip to the Warner Brothers Studios, please pay the non-refundable £45 via the Payment Portal by Monday 31 March.

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

GCSE Art & Textiles Day - Tuesday 22 April

A reminder for parents whose daughter is taking the GCSE Art/Textiles exam that there is an opportunity for her to attend a 'catch-up' day on Tuesday 22 April - please complete the <u>google form</u> to confirm she will be attending. Information and form was emailed home earlier this with a request for the google form to be completed **Friday 21 March** to confirm attendance.

GCSE Food Technology Practical Exam - Wednesday 5 March

Reminder AM 9am - 12.50pm

Playworker Programme - application deadline 14 March

Please find the <u>Playworker Programme letter</u> 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 <u>application form</u> by 14 March.

Parents Evening - Tuesday 18 March *SAVE THE DATE*

We will email parents when the Schoolcloud online booking system is open (usually a few days prior to evening). Please find the Parents' Guide <u>here</u> as a reminder on how to do this.

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

GCSE Subject Directory 2024/25

Please find <u>details here</u> 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.

GCSE Examination Timetable

Please find the generic written timetable <u>here</u>. Pupils have received a personalised timetable from their Form Tutor.

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