



CLAIRE'S COURT
SENIOR GIRLS

Weekly Bulletin

FRIDAY 7 MARCH - Week 8

James Wilding Blog

Read Mr Wilding's blog, ["Acts of Purpose - Why Teachers Come to School"](#)

FROM THE OFFICE.....

Double Yellows / Zig Zag parking

Please DO NOT stop/wait/quickly drop off/pick up on the zig zags outside of the school entrance in any circumstance. There are no exceptions for this please as it means our coaches do not have the space to pull into the car park safely. We say this to ensure the safety of all our students and teachers walking into school to ensure there is visibility for them to enter the school safely too.

Maidenhead's Big Read

Will take place at Maidenhead Library on **Saturday 8** and **Sunday 9 March**. This brilliant weekend of author and storytelling events for families aims to encourage a love of reading and will include lots of craft activities too. All events are free of charge and there is no need to book in advance. [See more details](#)

Senior Girls Gymnastic & Dance Display

Thursday 20 March 6pm Senior Boys School SL6 8TE



Our PE department would like to invite all parents to come and watch some of our senior girls performing (*the pupils who are participating have been informed last week*) in a gymnastic and dance display being held at our senior boys school SL6 8TE starting at **6pm** on **Thursday 20 March**. So we know how many parents are likely to attend for hall capacity and refreshments may we ask you to confirm how many seats you would like by completing the [google form here](#) by Friday 14 March.

Parking will be available on site but **not** before **5.45pm** when all the school coaches have safely departed. If you are parking on the surrounding roads we ask that you park considerately for the neighbours around the senior boys school. Thank you.

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 (hep@clairescourt.net) 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 '[Contact Us](#)' 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.

Clares Court PTA Canapes & Cocktails Friday 6 June

SAVE THE DATE This evening event will be for adults only at the CIM in Cookham, further details to be shared in due course, but please add this evening to your calendar.

Root of the Week.....

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Origin: Greek

Meaning: Water

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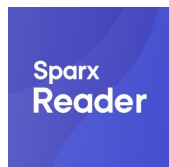
Hydration

Dehydrate

Hydrotherapy

Hydrogen

Sparx Reader of the Week



Friday 7 March - the winners this week are:

Year 7 Rosie P

Year 8 Amelia P

Accelerated Reader of the Week



Friday 7 March - well done to the following girls:

Year 8 Georgie C

Year 9 Adriana

Non Uniform Day



Thank you for all your support - we raised £280 for the dash charity.

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

Ski Trip Information Evening & Forms

Following the recent Ski Trip Information Evening, please find the following information for your reference and action:

- [Presentation slides](#)
- [Participant Information Form](#) to be completed by Monday please

- [Medical/consent form](#) (please print off, complete & return to school office)

YEAR 7 - YEAR 12

Belgium Choir Tour

18-21 October

[Belgium Choral Music Tour letter](#) Just a gentle reminder that it is still available for your child to experience this our second music tour trip we have done. To secure a place, a non-refundable £350 deposit is required via the [Payment Portal](#) asap and will keep this open for another few days. This is a great opportunity for all budding/experienced singers with various activities planned including a visit to the Leonidas Chocolate Shop.

Manorbier, Pembrokeshire - Outdoor Adventure Trip

October Half Term

Please find att'd [letter here](#) 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 [consent form](#) and pay the **non-refundable** deposit of £200 by **today, 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

Year 9 Options Form - Completion Deadline is Monday 10 March

A reminder that the deadline to complete the Year 9 September 2025 Subject Choices Form is **Monday 10 Monday**. You have received a personalised link to the form in the letter emailed out on 27/02/2025. A short recording of the Q&A session from Wednesday evening can be found [here](#).

Year 8 Sponsored Fancy Dress Walk - 18 March

Please find details of the [Fancy Dress Sponsored Walk](#) that Year 8 will be doing for Charity Week during the afternoon of Tuesday 18 March. Please help us in raising money for the [Thames Hospice](#) by gaining sponsorship and handing monies collected in to form tutors by the end of term or transfer via the [Payment Portal](#) by Friday 4 April.

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 [letter here](#) - 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

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 has been extended

Careers Fayre Reading University

Thursday 27 March

Year 10 girls will be attending a Careers Visit to the University of Reading 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.....*

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.

Parents Evening - Tuesday 18 March - 6pm to 8pm

Open to book Wednesday 12 March from 12 noon and closes on Tuesday 18 March 12 noon

Please find the Parents' Guide here as a reminder on how to do this. Appointments for all subjects will need to be pre-booked via schoolcloud. Please opt to **book manually** so that you can leave appropriate 'travel time' gaps between appointments. Entrance is via the Atrium with light refreshments available in our library.

*** NEW DATE * Year 11 Exam Support Evening - 6pm Monday 31 March**

Mr Richards will be hosting another short online meeting on Monday 31 March where he will talk about support for the forthcoming examination period and final arrangements in school. This will be followed by a Q&A session. The MEET link will be emailed to you in advance of the evening.

Year 11 Music Coursework Day - Friday 4 April

The Music department is hosting a 'Coursework Catch-up and Complete' day for GCSE Music pupils on Friday 4 April to ensure all coursework is submitted prior to the Easter holiday. Please complete this form to confirm attendance **by Friday 14 March**. Pupils will need to arrive at 9.30am, bring a packed lunch and be collected at 3.30pm.

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 google form 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.

Thorpe Park Trip - Tuesday 24 June

Please find details of the [Thorpe Park trip](#) for Year 11. To confirm your daughter's place please pay £20 via the [Payment Portal](#) or complete [Annual Pass Form](#) **by Friday 4 April.**

Prom: Claires Court Year 11 Pupils Only - Wednesday 25 June

Our usual end of year celebration prom for our Year 11 pupils - please note the cost of £25 per student to be paid via the Claires Court Payment Portal by **Friday 4 April.**



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 [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](#).

GCSE Examination Timetable

Please find the generic written timetable [here](#). Pupils have received a personalised timetable from their Form Tutor.

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