



**CLAIRE'S COURT
JUNIORS**

Weekly Bulletin

6 March 2026 - Spring Term - Week 8

LTC Announcement

On Monday, 23 February, we announced that Claire's Court has joined the LTC Education Group (LTCEG), the education arm of the Licensed Trade Charity. This partnership represents a proactive and forward-looking step, carefully planned to safeguard our school's legacy and ensure that Claire's Court continues to flourish for both current and future pupils.

The school will retain its name, ethos and traditions, and the day-to-day life of our pupils remains unchanged, supported by the familiar staff and pastoral structures that our families value so highly. By joining LTCEG, we are strengthening our foundations and creating new opportunities for future investment in facilities, ensuring that Claire's Court continues to thrive for generations to come.

If you were unable to join us on Wednesday evening to hear from James Wilding, Principal, and Christine Cunniffe, Executive Principal, you can watch a recording of the event on our YouTube channel via the link [here](#). Please also see [here](#) for the most up to date FAQ document for detailed information regarding the transition. If you have further questions, please direct them to parents@ltceducationgroup.org.uk.

Principal's Blog

Please read Mr Wilding's latest blog: ["Fifty Years and Counting: Leadership, Management and Teaching Through The Ages - A Precipitous Journey"](#)

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Awards

Responsibility: Ivy (2W)
Respect: Oscar (2S)
Loyalty: Mila (1H)
Integrity: Arlen (6C)

Next week's menu - changes due to World Book Day

Tuesday 10 March:

- Chicken/Quorn Dippers and Chunky Chips, Mayo, Tartare Sauce, Pudding: Choc Ice

Friday 13 March (CCJ World Book Day):

- Mr Fox's Fabulous Chicken/Quorn Wraps (Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl)
- Boogie Bears Baked Potato with Jack's Magic Baked Beans (Boogie Bear by David Walliams)
- Tomato Sauce and Pasta (I will not ever never eat a tomato by Lauren Child)
- Pudding: Bruce Bogtrotter's Famous Chocolate Cake (Matilda by Roald Dahl)



British Science Week

The theme is 'Curiosity - What is your question?'. Mrs Carter will be leading an assembly on Monday using her super scientists and there will be various fun science related activities throughout the week for the children.

We are also excited to announce the **British Science Week poster competition!** This year, the competition is taking curiosity to the next level by asking young people what they think will make a "good" or "positive" childhood in the future. We are working with a team of researchers who are eager to see your ideas, so please hand your completed poster entries to your **form teacher**

for Mrs Carter to collate. Good luck! **The closing date is on Wednesday 18 March.**

Science Quiz

Four mixed Year 5 and 6 teams took part in the online area heat for the national quiz club science competition. Although they did not get through to the finals, they worked collaboratively to answer some really tricky questions ranging from space to dinosaurs to elements. **Well done from Mrs Carter, Head of Junior Science**



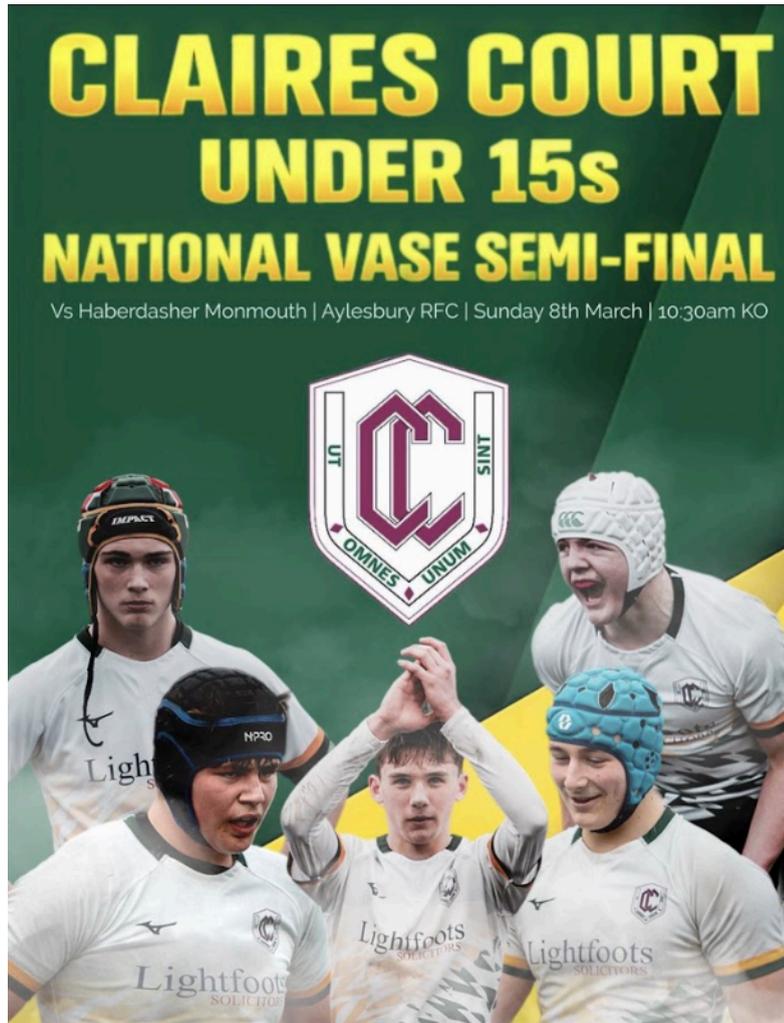
Activities Booking - Opens Monday 9 March

Booking of activities opens 9am Monday 9 March but the activities are now visible on our [webpage](#). Please note that bookings will close on Monday 16 March. Parents will require their Report Portal login details in order to book their child into activities, and will need to select something for after school each day of the week Monday through to Friday whether that be an activity, study or going home. A brief guide to show how to book activities is found here: [Activities Guide](#).

U15 National Vase Semi-Final - Sunday 8 March

The U15 National Vase Semi-Final game against Haberdashers Monmouth is this Sunday at Aylesbury RFC (HP225RN) and kicks off at 10.30am. Anyone that is interested is

welcome to come and watch and it will also be live streamed via the RFU YouTube Channel - [Claire's Court V Haberdashers](#).



Charity Week w/c 16 March

Pupils across all year groups will be taking part in our annual Charity Week the week commencing 16 March. Please send your child into school with loose change to support this initiative and raise valuable funds for [Thames Hospice](#) with the several activities taking place throughout the week.

Message from the Library

Make room for new books and return your overdue loans to the school library! We currently have a very large number of overdue library books on loan, so please renew or return any overdue books as soon as possible so everyone can read and enjoy them. Thank you for your support.

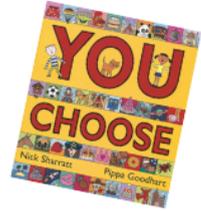
Books of the Week

This week, we have recommendations from our **Reception Teaching Assistant, Mrs St John...**



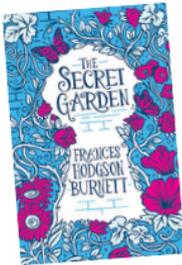
Our Books of the Week

Imagine you could go anywhere, meet anyone and do anything. Where would you live? Where would you sleep? Who would be your friends? What games would you play? Go on . . . you choose! This is a timeless classic which children will love to return to again and again - and there's something new to find on every read! You Choose is a visual feast, perfect for shared reading, and encouraging creativity in the very youngest readers



Why I Loved This Book

Although not a traditional story this is an excellent book to spark and grow a child's imagination, whatever their age.



After losing her parents, young Mary Lennox is sent from India to live in her uncle's gloomy mansion on the wild English moors. She is lonely and has no one to play with, but one day she learns of a secret garden somewhere in the grounds that no one is allowed to enter. Then Mary uncovers an old key in a flowerbed - and a gust of magic leads her to the hidden door. Slowly she turns the key and enters a world she could never have imagined.

Why I Loved This Book

This is a classic story about friendship, hope and the healing power of nature. A real feel-good read!

German Word of the Week

Our latest Word of the Week is here, designed to expand vocabulary and spark curiosity! Have a look to see what this one is about...

German word of the week...!



Word of the Week:
der Faulpelz
lit.: lazy fur

The German term **Faulpelz** describes a lazy person.

PTA Nearly New Uniform Sale

All Nearly New Sales are on a Friday morning from 8.15am to 8.45am and take

place in the PTA Nearly New Uniform shop in the Stable block, Upper Juniors playground. Payment is by card only and NOT cash. The next sale date at Juniors is Friday 13 March.

Junior Bake off - applications open until 15 March

Applications are now open for the 12th series of Junior Bake Off, a Channel 4 competition series celebrating Britain's young baking talent! Young budding bakers between 9-15 years old can apply here -

www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk. Applications close 15 March, with filming taking place from July 2026.



PTA Summer Party - 27 June 2026

The PTA Summer Party date has now been confirmed as Saturday 27 June in the grounds of the Junior School. Please **SAVE THE DATE**. Further details will follow in due course.

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