



## CLAIRES COURT SIXTH FORM

# Weekly Bulletin

**FRIDAY 5 JUNE 2026 - SUMMER TERM - Week 7**

### SAVE THE DATE

#### **Celebrate 30 Years of Fun at the Claires Court PTA Summer Fete!**

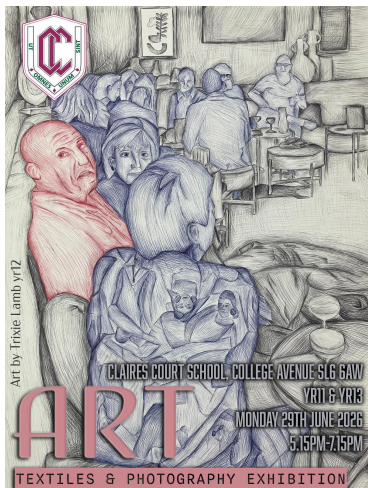
Bring the whole family to Claires Court Juniors on **Saturday 20 June (12pm–4pm)** to kick off the summer and celebrate the PTA's "Pearl" 30th anniversary alongside our first Sixth Form graduates! Expect an afternoon of inflatable madness, 20 artisan stalls, pupil-manned games, and Cream Teas on the Terrace. Plus, enjoy live music from individual performers and the Waltham St Lawrence Steel Band while you unwind at the Pimms tent and legendary PTA bar. Advance family tickets are a steal at just £12—grab yours now at [ccpta.org.uk!](http://ccpta.org.uk)



#### **'Grease The Musical' Auditions - June 2026**

##### **For the attention of all pupils in Year 7 to Year 12**

Are you interested in auditioning for a role in the next school production? We are looking for the next Danny Zuko, Kenickie, Sandy, Rizzo, Frenchie plus many other roles, including back stage - please find [information here](#) which was emailed to both parents and pupils earlier this week. The proposed dates for the production are **Wednesday 3, Thursday 4 and Friday 5 March 2027** (to be confirmed asap).



#### **Exhibition - Monday 29 June, 5.15pm - 7.15pm**

The Art, Textiles and Photography department would like to invite all students and families to visit our end of year exhibition, celebrating the fantastic Year 11 and 13 work! This would be a particularly valuable opportunity for students in Year 10 or 12 already taking one of these subjects or students considering taking one of our subjects for GCSE or A Level.

### **PTA Summer Party - Saturday 27 June**

Please note that the Summer Party on Saturday 27 June has been cancelled. We are sorry for the disappointment, but all purchased tickets will be refunded in full over the coming days. We still look forward to welcoming you to our Summer Fete on 20 June. We are also looking at an exciting *Welcome Back Event* for September to kick off the new school year with a bang. Thank you for your understanding, and stay tuned for more details later this summer.

### **Boulters to Bray Swim - Saturday 4 July**

Claire's Court has a long standing tradition in both participation and elite sports, we are also passionate about supporting community events. The historic Boulters to Bray Swim is one of the UK's oldest swims, dating back to the 1890s and it takes place right outside Senior Boys School.

Last year we had a small group of parents who took part and it was lovely to see them all on the start line. We hope that more parents can join this year and support this fantastic local event. The school is providing safety crews and logistics support but what they really need is more entries.

The water quality is always a worry but it is regularly tested and all the recent results show 'green/clear'. So, if you fancy taking on a very accessible challenge (you swim with the flow), doing something with a group of like-minded people and gaining a sense of achievement in July, please sign up using this link:

[Boulters to Bray Swim 2026](#)

- **Year 12 Summer Examinations** - Monday 15 June to Tuesday 23 June
- **PTA Summer Fair** - Monday 20 June
- **Year 13 Summer Ball** - Thursday 25 June
- **Year 12 Future Focus Week** - Monday 6 July to Wednesday 8 July
- **Sixth Form Lake Day** - Thursday 9 July

### **Summer Term Calendars**

## **NOTICES**

### **'Hamilton The Musical' Theatre Trip - Thursday 1 October 2026 Year 10-13 (current Year 9-12 Pupils) 'SOLD OUT'**

Due to high demand, student tickets for this trip are now fully booked. While the Payment Portal option has been temporarily suspended, we are working to secure additional availability and will provide an update as soon as possible. Full trip specifics are available in the [attached letter](#).

### **Lateness**

In recent weeks, the Sixth Form leadership team has noticed a significant number of Year 12 students arriving late to school in the mornings, and for some, over several days each week. Please note that **all** Sixth Form students should be in school by 8.45am each morning, ready to go briefing, assembly or form time. Any student signing into school late will forfeit their first break that day by attending a detention. We would be grateful if all parents and guardians could support us in encouraging students to ensure they arrive on time.

## OPPORTUNITIES



This is it - the **Young Professionals Summer Conference** is back, and it's set to be the ultimate Work Experience Day in London.

- High-impact interactive workshops to build real-world skills
- Inspiring talks from industry leaders
- Direct networking with top global employers
- CV, apprenticeships & career masterclasses to accelerate your path
- LinkedIn headshots & personal branding support

Special guests:

- Dan Miller (BBC The Apprentice Final 5 & YP Founder)
- The Apprentice stars Priyesh & Harry
- Guest speaker from Google

### Event Details

**Date:** Saturday 18 July

**Location:** Friends House, London, Euston (right opposite Euston Train Station)

**Time:** 9am - 1pm (AM session) 2pm - 6pm (PM session)

**Who can attend?** All students at school/university

Please note there is a £26 booking fee to reserve your place.

Limited tickets left — don't miss out! Click below to secure your spot!

**Morning Booking Link:**

<https://buy.stripe.com/8x2eVe8RI6kFgMQa3m5300k>

**Afternoon Booking Link:**

<https://buy.stripe.com/8x28wQc3x10lfIMqrK5300l>

### Summer Research Projects

Inquisitas offers exceptional independent research programmes for ambitious students aged 16+, guided by expert tutors from the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. Our programmes are designed to strengthen academic potential, foster original thinking, and develop real research skills. They provide a unique opportunity for students to explore subjects they are passionate about in depth.

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<https://www.inquisitas.com/research-programmes>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1:1 supervision from an Oxbridge tutor</li><li>• A bespoke research project on your chosen topic</li><li>• Guidance in academic writing and critical thinking</li><li>• A professionally edited final paper</li><li>• A formal letter of recommendation</li></ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Share your interests</li><li>2. Get matched with an Oxbridge tutor</li><li>3. Produce a research paper over 4 weeks</li><li>4. Review and submit your final project</li></ol>

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Stand out in competitive university applications through:

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- Academic curiosity
- Genuine engagement beyond the curriculum

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For ambitious Sixth Form students from any subject background.

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## KPMG Apprenticeships

A KPMG apprenticeship provides a fantastic alternative to university, offering benefits such as:

- A mix of real-life work and academic study, with many opportunities to expand their knowledge.
- An annual salary of £25,500-£28,000 (depending on location).
- Fully funded qualifications and professional accreditations.
- Professional skills development to help set them up for exciting careers.

Help to shape your future career with a KPMG apprenticeship. Discover more about our apprenticeship opportunities [here](#).

## Apprentice Mechanic Opportunity - MVS Slough

Interested in how vehicles work? Join a local independent garage and learn servicing, repairs, diagnostics and problem-solving. Build real workshop skills while working towards a recognised apprenticeship. Ideal for practical students ready to earn, learn and start a career in automotive.

Apply: [mvsfkb@gmail.com](mailto:mvsfkb@gmail.com) | 07989 340020 or visit [MVS-swslough.com](http://MVS-swslough.com) for an online application. If you would like any further information, please contact us using the details above or visit [mvs-slough.com](http://mvs-slough.com)

## Springboard FutureChef Culinary Career Sessions

Our sessions are back for 2026 and open for registration. Bringing together our amazing chef ambassadors and industry supporters this series of four 45-minute webinars, which take place on Microsoft Teams, will explore various elements of culinary careers. Full details of the sessions are as follows:

### **Wednesday 10 June – Pathways – 10am-10:45am**

- We hear from hospitality professionals about the myriad of entry routes into the industry, be it tertiary education, apprenticeship or working your way up through the kitchen!

### **Wednesday 17 June – Alumni POV – 10am-10:45am**

- We hear firsthand from former FutureChef competitors about their own FutureChef journey and how it helped kickstart their culinary career!

Once you have registered on the link below, you will be sent a link for you to join the session live each week. If that time doesn't suit, please still register and the recording can be sent to you after the session has completed, and you can keep this as a career resource to use whenever you see fit.

[Culinary Careers Registration](#)

## **UNIVERSITY INFORMATION**

### **Royal Northern College of Music**



Discover RNCM is our award-winning open day, and the best chance you will have to find out more about studying at a conservatoire ranked [Top 10 for Music worldwide in the latest QS rankings](#).

Taking place on **Friday 26 June**, the day includes sessions on degree programmes (including the brand new [BA \(Hons\) in Inclusive Music Education](#)), performances and Q&As with staff and students, tours of the building, and the chance to meet with admissions, finance, and wellbeing colleagues. It's also a great way to chat to current students about what it's like to live and learn in Manchester. Students can [book their place via this link](#)

### **University of Chester Subject Taster Events**

#### **Psychology Taster Days: Monday 15 or Thursday 25 June 2026**

- An interactive event introducing students to the study of psychology at university.
- 9.30am-2pm at our Exton Park Campus, Chester
- Individual students, or a school or college representative who would like to book a group to attend, can book places for either the event on 15th [here](#), or the event on the 25th [here](#).

## **Humanities, Cultures and Environment Subject Taster Day: Tuesday 16 June 2026**

- For students interested in studying; Archaeology, Geography, History, or Philosophy, Ethics, Religion and Theology.
- 9.30am-2pm at our Exton Park Campus, Chester.
- Individual students, or a school or college representative who would like to book a group to attend, can book places [here](#).

## **Business Taster Day: Wednesday 24 June 2026**

- This event is for students interested in studying degrees ranging from Business Management and Accounting to Events, Marketing and Tourism.
- 10am-2pm at our Queens Park Campus, Chester.
- Individual students, or a school or college representative who would like to book a group to attend, can book places [here](#).

For more information, please feel free to visit the Outreach section on our website at [chester.ac.uk/about/schools-and-colleges](https://chester.ac.uk/about/schools-and-colleges), or contact the Outreach Team if there is anything further we can help with.

## **Everything You Need to Know About Applying to University**



*Free Webinar for Students & Parents*

We know that university applications can feel overwhelming for both students and parents.

Our latest free webinar on Wednesday 10 June will guide students and families through the university application process, including:

- ✓ **Choosing the right fit:** Support with choosing the right university and course using our University Survival Kit
- ✓ **How to apply:** Explore the different application processes for the UK, USA, Australia and Canada, including key dates for the diary
- ✓ **Standing out:** Our top tips for impressing admissions teams and maximising your chances of success

This webinar is ideal for students in Years 11 and 12 who are starting to explore their university options. We'd love for as many of you as possible to join live, but a recording will be shared with everyone who registers.

**University and College Open Days** - [www.opendays.com](https://www.opendays.com)

## **CAREERS INFORMATION**

### **The Sixth Formers' Guide to Degree Apprenticeship**

Find out more [here](#)

### **Choice Magazine - The Ultimate parent and carer guide to apprenticeships**

View [here](#)

### **Amazing Apprenticeships - Everything you need to know about Apprenticeships and Technical Education**

Further information can be found [here](#)

### **Higher and Degree Apprenticeship Listing**

More information can be found [here](#)

### **Parent's Guide to Apprenticeships**

More information can be found [here](#)

## **FROM THE SIXTH FORM OFFICE**

### **Parking Outside School**

We have had recent reports from our neighbours that some parents' cars have been seen parked on the double yellow lines around school and on the tight bend where College Road and College Avenue meet. We ask that everyone who drives to the College site please park considerately and safely.

### **Cashless Catering**

Please can you regularly check your son/daughter's cashless catering balance and ensure there are sufficient funds available. Overdrawn accounts will be closed until funds have been added.

### **Sixth Form Dress Code Reminder**

Formal business dress remains on a Monday. Casual business dress may be worn from Tuesday to Friday. The requirements for Sixth Form dress may be found [here](#). **Trainers, Crocs, Uggs and hoodies are not part of the dress code.**

### **Sickness Absence & Medical Absence reporting**

Please report any sickness absence to the school office before 8.45am on each day of sickness either by telephoning 01628 327560 or by email to [sixthform@clairescourt.net](mailto:sixthform@clairescourt.net). Any absence from school required for medical or dental appointments may also be requested by email to [sixthform@clairescourt.net](mailto:sixthform@clairescourt.net).

### **Lanyards**

Please can we remind parents that the wearing of lanyards by Sixth Form students is a required part of the dress code. It helps to identify them as part of the Sixth Form, both on our site and for those who travel to Senior Boys. It is an integral part of our safeguarding policy that students wear their lanyards at

all times on school grounds. Unfortunately, many students come into school without lanyards, or have lost them. Please can you check that your son or daughter has their lanyard when they leave for school.

### **Signing in and out of School**

Not only do our lanyards help to identify students on school sites, the cards carried in them are used to electronically sign students in and out of school each day. Please help us to remind your son or daughter to tap in or out every time they arrive or leave a school site. This is vital for health and safety around the school, should a fire alarm sound, and for us to be able to complete our morning and afternoon registers each day.

### **New, news, news!**

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

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