



## CLAIRES COURT SENIOR GIRLS

# Weekly Bulletin

**FRIDAY 19 APRIL 2024 SUMMER TERM WEEK 1**

### FROM THE OFFICE



"We hope you had a lovely end of term break and welcome back to the summer term".

### ISA Sports Cover Design Competition



Each year, pupils are invited to design artworks for the front cover of the ISA Sports' national events programmes.

It is a great opportunity for pupils to create art in response to sporty themes and a design will be chosen for Athletics, Cross Country, Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby, Triathlon and Tennis.

Open to all ages. Entries to be submitted to your child's teacher for onward submission to the ISA by Mr Wilding.

### Parking - Zig Zag Lines

Please can parents **not** park or stop and wait on the zig zag lines outside the school gates - we had a near collision earlier this week! It makes it extremely difficult to see if there are any cars coming up/down College Road when vehicles are exiting the school grounds. Thank you.

### Residential Trips 2024-25

Please find our [Residential Trips brochure](#) for next academic year, which can also be found in the [Parent Hub](#) of our website under 'Handbooks'.

### Water Quality Guidance for Paddlesports

Please find a [link](#) to Claire's Court's communications on water quality guidance

for paddlesports for parents and pupils.

### **Tempest Whole School Photo - taken on Wednesday 17 April**

We will let parents know when the photo can be viewed and ordered.

### **Sports Team Photo - taken today by Class Picks, Friday 19 April**

The sports team photos are now available on [Class Picks](#) - the password to view has been emailed home to parents for those pupils who represent the school in a team sport.

### **PTA Meeting - 7pm Monday 22 April**

There will be a Seniors PTA meeting on Monday 22 April 7pm at Senior Boys (Ray Mill Road East SL6 8TE) and we welcome all parents to attend if they wish to get involved in helping with Summer term events or the PTA more generally.

### **PTA Hollywood Ball - 6.30pm Saturday 8 June**

Tickets are priced at £85 and include a welcome drink on arrival, three course meal, live band, disco until 1am plus more....! To reserve a table (for 6-12 guests) or tickets please email [pta.ccg@gmail.com](mailto:pta.ccg@gmail.com) by 26 April. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Principal's Blog**

Please read Mr Wilding's most recent blog '[A Principled View](#)' on 'When cognitive dissonance meets the chat bot.'

## **YEAR GROUP INFORMATION**

### **YEAR 7 ONLY**

#### **Year 7 Rushall Farm Trip - Wednesday 24 April \*Reminder\***

Please note that this is for our senior girls only as the senior boys trip is on Friday 26 April. Please find the letter providing information [here](#).

### **YEAR 8 ONLY**

#### **Year 8 Parents Evening - Thursday 2 May (5.30pm - 7.30pm)**

**\*Save the Date\***

Instructions can be found [here](#) for appointment bookings to be made via <https://clairescourt.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. Please use your child's full name, as nicknames are not accepted by the system. We will inform parents by email a few days prior to 2 May when this 'goes live' enabling you to book an appointment to see subject teachers.

### **YEAR 10 ONLY**

#### **Year 10 Spanish BFI Day - Tuesday 19 March**

Ms Urzaiz (Head of MFL/Spanish Teacher) would like to share a little more information [here](#) about the trip taken prior to the end of the Spring Lent term.

#### **Year 10 Summer Examination Timetable \*Reminder\***

Y10 Mock Exams start next week on Monday 22 April through to Tuesday 30 April. Please find detailed information below:

[Timetable](#)

[GCSE Rules and Regulations](#)

## **Year 10 Parents Evening - Tuesday 14 May (5.30pm - 7.30pm)**

**\*Save the Date\***

Instructions can be found [here](#) for appointment bookings to be made via <https://clairescourt.schoolcloud.co.uk/> . Please use your child's full name, as nicknames are not accepted by the system. We will inform parents by email a few days prior to 14 May when this 'goes live' enabling you to book an appointment to see subject teachers.

## **YEAR 11 ONLY**

### **Year 11 GCSE PE Moderation Day - Thursday 25 April**

#### **Braywick Leisure Centre 8.30am**

Please find [information here](#) for those pupils who are involved in taking their GCSE PE. This was also emailed home earlier this week.

### **Work Experience**

Work experience is scheduled for two weeks w/c 24 June and 1 July and all girls are encouraged to find themselves suitable placements as discussed in the assembly last term with Mr Hawkins. Please find shared the [Work Experience Log Book](#) which we suggest your daughter completes to keep a formal record of her learnings from the experience.

### **Dates for your Diary**

- 3 May - Year 11 Celebration Assembly 11.50am - [Invitation for parents here](#)
- Tuesday 7 May - start of Exam Period with the opportunity for revision in school (quiet or collaborative working) or at home - [study leave form here](#)
- 20 June - Thorpe Park Trip - please find details [here](#)
- 21 June - Year 11 Prom - **please note change of date/further details to follow**
- w/c 24 June - Work Experience (week 1)
- Wednesday 26 June - Contingency Day - pupils need to be available for the full day
- w/c 1 July - Work Experience (week 2)

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Chromebooks**

Please find our [Chromebook Provision and Policy](#) as a reminder that pupils and parents are responsible for the chromebook that your daughter has been allocated, including any repairs/replacement due to damage/loss. Should you require the school to source you a new chromebook please email your daughter's form tutor to authorise the cost of approx. £250 being added to your fee invoice. If you decide to purchase your own replacement **chromebook** (please note other platforms/devices are not permitted in school e.g. laptops, apple as they are not compatible with our systems), you will need the Claires Court Google licence added to the chromebook at a cost of £35, again to be authorised by emailing your daughter's form tutor.

### **PE/Games**

Please be advised if pupils are well enough to be in school they are expected

to attend PE/Games lessons as normal. If pupils are feeling unwell they should visit the nurses who can administer medication where necessary or sign them off games if appropriate. Pupils will be expected to join the lesson as normal in their PE kit and will be given alternative roles. Pupils are able to take rest breaks if they are feeling under the weather. Please see further information [here](#).

### **Sickness Absence**

Please report any sickness absence to the school office before 9.30am on each day of sickness either by telephoning 01628 327500 or by email to [seniorgirls@clairescourt.com](mailto:seniorgirls@clairescourt.com)

### **Medication**

Any medication must be handed into the school accompanied with the [CC Administration of Medicine Request Form](#) for nurses to administer.

### **Medical/Dental Appointments**

Please notify the school office at least 24 hours prior to the appointment where possible via email to [seniorgirls@clairescourt.com](mailto:seniorgirls@clairescourt.com) we can then inform teachers ahead of any lessons that your daughter may be absent from. We would also ask where possible that appointments are made outside of school hours or during school holidays.

### **Leaving School / Returning To School During The School Day**

If you are collecting your daughter for an appointment during the school day, she should wait in reception at the allotted time. We do require parents/guardians to collect and sign their daughter out of school - we will not let a pupil leave school on their own to go to an appointment. Pupils are not permitted to wait outside or use their phones in reception. When your daughter returns to school, she must sign in at reception before going to lessons so that we know she is back in school.

### **Term Time Absence**

Please see our [Attendance and Holidays in Term Time Policy](#) noting that absence for holidays is not encouraged during term time and will not normally be authorised for the first or last week of any term. If you do wish the headteacher to review a request please complete the [holiday request form here](#).

### **Parking, Drop Off, Pick Up**

Please may we ask our parents to be mindful where they are parking and to avoid blocking local residents driveways and on yellow lines/zig zags both inside and outside of the school grounds. The coach bay is reserved for school coach transport, emergency vehicles and for delivery vans unloading throughout the school day.

### **Transport**

All bookings whether regular or ad hoc must be made via [Vectare](#). Here you will find information on routes, costing and how to book. Current users - we have been informed that all bus passes have now been distributed. These must be presented to the driver's handset when boarding to ensure

a quick and efficient departure. If you have any questions relating to a pass please contact Vectare at [clairescourt@vectare.co.uk](mailto:clairescourt@vectare.co.uk) who will be happy to assist.

### **Nut Free School**

Can we please remind you that we are a **nut free zone** (this includes nut related products like Nutella or pesto). We do have both children and staff on site that have severe allergic reactions to these. Thank you.

### **School Calendar**

Please remember to check our [online school calendar](#) to see what is happening throughout the term.

### **Clares Court SchoolTV**

Please take a look at [Clares Court SchoolTV](#), a wellbeing resource to support you in the challenges relating to modern-day parenting. It aims to help build relationships, foster connections, enable understanding and break down barriers to navigate a pathway towards better mental health and wellbeing for young people. It can assist in starting conversations on topics that are sometimes awkward or difficult to tackle.

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