

**Juniors -**



**CLAIRE'S COURT  
JUNIORS**

# Weekly Bulletin

**28 March 2025 (Spring Term Week 11)**

## **Last Bulletin of Spring Term**

As this is the last bulletin of the Spring Term we would like to wish you all a lovely End of Term Break! Our End of Term letter will be shared with you at the end of next week.

**Principal's Blog** Read Mr Wilding's blog: ["In an era of 'fake news' the role of trained and professional journalists has never been more important."](#)

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## **Exciting News: Young Enterprise Week**

Our Young Enterprise club will be selling their delicious snack products at break and lunchtimes during our final week of term (Monday 31 March to Thursday 3 April). All profits will go to the PTA. If your child would like to buy a tasty treat, please send them in with a small amount of spending money. Product prices will range from £1 to £2.50. Thank you for your support.

## **Updates from Mr Hogg, Chess Club**

Well done to Marlo **ADD CLASS** who in completing the LiChess Training Chess Basics became the youngest Claire's Court pupil to ever do so. Considering the fine array of chess players we have had come through the ranks over the last couple of decades, this is an outstanding achievement. He certainly deserves his Merit Certificate. Well done, Marlo.

Maidenhead Junior Chess Congress will take place on Tuesday 8 April. Please click on the [link](#) and scroll down to the entry forms if you are interested in playing. Happy Easter everyone!

## **Rabbit Award**

Awarded for kindness, helpfulness and compassion doing the right thing without being asked, it is what makes our school a wonderful environment. This week's Rabbit award winners are:

- Harry (6C) for being super supportive of his peers during the production.
- Ayaana (4G) for consistently displaying the Claires Court Values. Always being a caring friend, asking how people are, offering to do things for others without being asked.

## **IMPORTANT EOT INFORMATION**

- **End of Spring Term w/c Monday 31 March**
- Early buses, **Early Finish 4pm all week**, No Study or Activities
- **Thursday 3 April - Last day of term is a full day of lessons ending at 3.50pm with our click and collect system.** EOT letters will be emailed home on this day.
- **Start of Summer Term - Wednesday 23 April**
- Please note that it is Early Buses, Early Finish at 4pm with No Study or Activities Wednesday 23 April and Thursday 24 April with the normal Friday finish.
- All Activities/Study Clubs commence **Monday 28 April.**

## **Our App is temporarily unavailable**

Unfortunately our school app is experiencing technical issues that are out of our control. We hope that it's back up and running by early next week.

## **Potential traffic disruption - Cookham**

Cadent gas works have been granted a licence from the Highways agency to undertake major works on Sutton Road, Cookham. This is the main route many of our buses take to get to/from school and the route you may take your child/ren to school. They plan to carry out this work in phases from 31 March- 6 June. We will aim to minimise any disruption to our coach routes where we can but suggest you allow extra time for your journey to school if you go that way.

## **Breakfast Club**

Please ensure your child is not dropped off before 7.30am. When dropping off, we kindly ask you to confirm with a teacher that they have been marked on the register.

## **End of Day Collections**

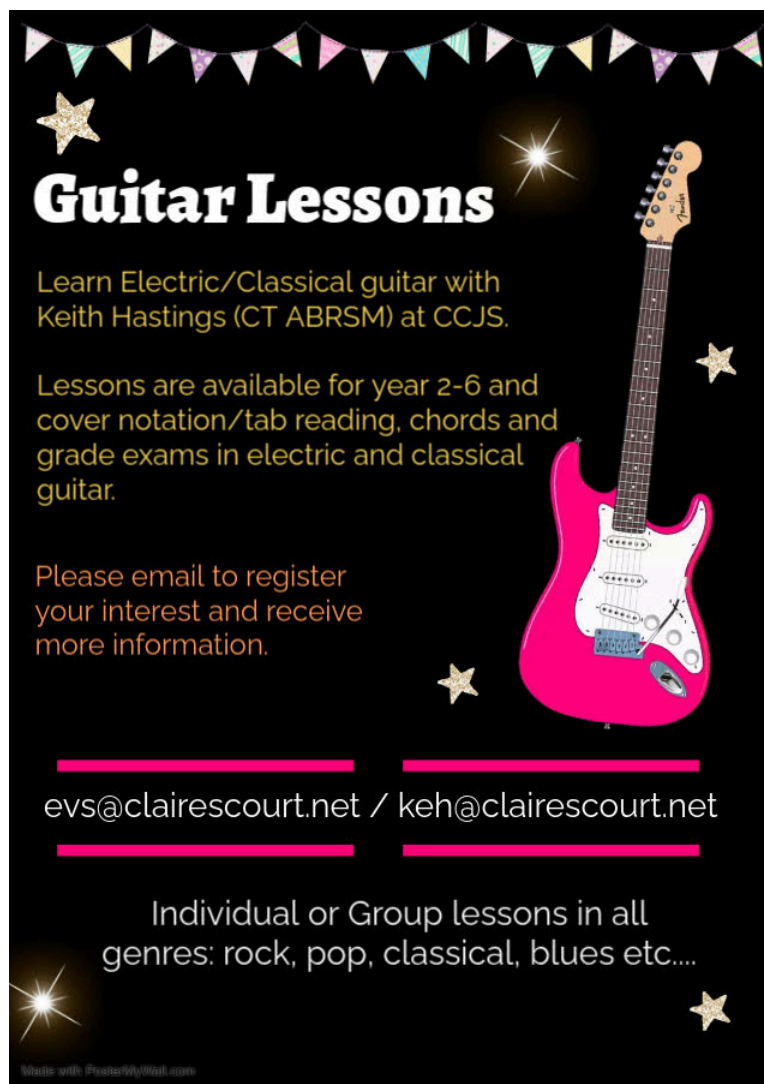
Parents/Visitors are not permitted on site during the school day unless authorised by the School Office. For safeguarding purposes, we need to know who is on site. If you need to collect your child early, please inform the office and drive to the front of the school and collect your child via the main entrance.

Please ensure that anyone who collects your child, such as grandparents, are aware of this procedure.

For club pickups, the same process applies: you must notify the office if you are collecting your child early and come to the front via the school office. If you are collecting your child at the usual time, please avoid arriving before 5pm.

### **Guitar Lessons**

Our Guitar Teacher, Mr Hastings has a couple of spaces free for next term if there are any budding guitarists who wish to learn. Please see the enclosed flyer.



### **ISC's legal challenge re. VAT on school tuition fees**

The Independent Schools Council (ISC) Board voted in October to begin legal action over the government's decision to introduce VAT on independent school fees. Before the Christmas break, families supported by the ISC filed a judicial review claim in the High Court of England and Wales and, in January, it was agreed that this legal action should be fast tracked. The defendant to the claim is the chancellor, Rachel Reeves, as the minister responsible for the Treasury. The court case backed by the ISC will be heard in the High Court next week, from 1 - 3 April. Please find an [FAQs document](#) to answer some of the most common questions about the upcoming hearing.