



**CLAIRES COURT
SENIOR GIRLS**

Weekly Bulletin

FRIDAY 9 MAY 2025 SUMMER TERM WEEK 3

James Wilding Blog

Please read the latest blog from Mr Wilding here, ["Lamplight of Peace - Lessons from VE Day"](#)

PTA News

Seniors PTA ONLINE MEET Friday 23 May

Please join Mr Richards (Head of Seniors Boys and Girls) and Ms Nicola Kelly (PTA Chair) virtually at 10.30am for the next Seniors PTA meeting. The agenda will cover planning for the 6 June Cocktails & Canapes event, push the Summer Fete and a look ahead to next year. The MEET link will be sent w/c 19 May.

PTA Events for Summer

With such a packed term ahead, we wanted to give you advance notice of all the upcoming PTA events [here](#).

FROM THE OFFICE.....

Summer Term Dates

These can be viewed on our [calendars](#) and please find a summary of some key dates below:

Monday 12 May - PTA Senior Girls Nearly New Uniform Sale 8am-9am
(entrance via Atrium doors with the sale in the first room on your right as you enter - card only please as cash not accepted)

Tuesday 13 May - Mental Health Awareness Non-Uniform Day
For pupils in Year 7 to Year 10 only can wear their 'civvies' for the day in return for £2 donation to raise funds for [Number 22 Counselling](#)

w/c 26 May - half term

Friday 6 June - Claire's Court PTA Canapés & Cocktails

Saturday 21 June - PTA Summer Fete - held at Juniors, SL6 4QQ - further details to follow

Thursday 10 July - end of Summer Term

Senior Girls' Divisional Whole School Photograph

The Senior Girls group photograph is now available to view and order online via Tempest with a 'back to school' delivery and no P&P charges for parents if you order within the next 2 week deadline of **Friday 16 May**. The link enabling you to place an order was emailed home recently.

Whole School Event - Cocktails and Canapés on Friday 6 June

We'd love for you to please book your tickets soon to allow us to plan for the event! It will be a wonderful way to meet fellow parents and enjoy a drink and some canapés in the sunshine. Please book your tickets [here](#) now!



New Claires Court PE Kit - available from June

We are introducing a new sports kit for all to increase the ability to mix and match across the school year groups and to save costs for parents. The full list of all the kit can be found [here](#). The kit will be introduced gradually from June 2025 with the expectation that all students will have the new kit only from September 2026.

Calling All Singers!

Do you want to find your voice, have fun and build confidence? Mr. Orme (visiting music instructor) has space for more singing pupils and would love to hear from you! Whether you want to work towards singing grades or just de-stress from your academics, singing lessons can benefit you and stimulate other areas of learning and creativity. Discover your potential and give it a try! Register your interest with the [Google form here](#) for next steps.

Maidenhead Festival 'Sound Lab' Tuesday 27 May - Thursday 29 May

If you and the children are looking for some extra fun to do during the May half term why not pop down to the Nicholson Shopping Centre between 10am-3pm and try out some musical instruments for free such as the trumpet, trombones, clarinets and what about attending a Ukulele Workshop?



MAIDENHEAD FESTIVAL

SOUND LAB

🎵 UNLEASH YOUR INNER MUSICIAN AT THE SOUND LAB! 🎵

This May Half Term, dive into the world of music at Maidenhead Festival's Sound Lab—a fun, hands-on experience for all ages!

FREE ENTRY

Dates: Tuesday 27th – Thursday 29th May 2025

Time: 10am – 3pm daily

Location: Nicholson Shopping Centre

- Try instruments like trumpets, trombones, clarinets, saxophones, flutes, and piano
- Join The Piano Sessions - showcase your talent, inspired by Channel 4's The Piano
- Join a Ukulele Workshop
- Daily music sessions for under 5's
- Fun for all—kids and adults welcome!



Whether you're a complete beginner or just curious, come and get hands-on experience, learn how these instruments work, and find out how you can take your musical journey further through local lessons and support.

Sign up to join a session today on the website:
www.maidenheadfestival.org.uk

Don't miss this chance to explore music and discover your hidden talents!

Our Partners:



Windsor and Maidenhead Symphony Orchestra

Please see details [here](#) regarding the above event being held on Sunday 22 June.



WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

President: Baroness Theresa May

Conductor **Leon Gee**

Leader **Susie Henwood**

Tabla **Alok Verma**

Sunday 22 June 2025 4pm

Newbold Church, Binfield RG42 4AN

*** family concert ***

with free
tabla drumming workshop
3pm



CHABRIER España

WIJERATNE Tabla Concerto

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV Scheherazade

Tickets £15; student/child £5 from www.wmsso.org.uk

registered charity
no. 296537

www.wmsso.org.uk



Root of the Week this week is 'Mono-' meaning 'one'

Mono

Origin: Latin

Meaning: One

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Monochrome

Monotonous

Monophonic

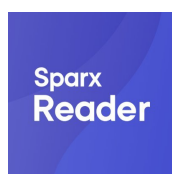
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Monopoly

Monorail

Une famille monoparentale

Sparx Reader of the Week



Friday 9 May - two sets of names for last week and this week are:

Year 7 - Mimi S-S (Friday 2 May)

Year 8 - Jasmin S (Friday 2 May)

Year 7 - Clodagh E (Friday 9 May)

Year 8 - Arabella W (Friday 9 May)

News, 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.

Reporting Sickness/Medication/Holiday Requests

Sickness/Medical Appointments: Please report all absences daily to the school office before **9.30am** either via the [Report Portal](#) (accessible via the Parents page of our [website](#)), by email seniorgirls@clairescourt.com or 01628 327500. For medical appointments we would appreciate 24 hours notice, where possible, so that the office can inform the teaching staff if a pupil has to leave a lesson early or is missing in the morning due to an appointment.

Medication: Any medication must be handed into the school office together with a completed [Administration of Medicine Request Form](#). Both will be given to the nursing team to keep and administer.

Holidays: Please complete the [Term Time Holiday Request Form](#).

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION/LETTERS/TRIPS.....

Reminders below but please do look at the school calendar

ALL YEAR GROUPS

YEARS 7-10

PTA Nearly New Uniform Sale - Monday 12 May 8am-9am

The Nearly New Uniform Sale is in the room on your right as you enter via the main doors/Atrium entrance. Please note that it is card payment only and **NOT** cash. We would ask that you avoid parking on site as you could get blocked in by a member of staff who may not be able to move their vehicle due to a meeting/teaching.

Non-Uniform Day Mental Health Awareness - Tuesday 13 May

Girls in Years 7 to 10 are invited to wear non-uniform in support of 'Mental Health Awareness' month for a £2 donation raising money for [Number 22 Counselling](#). Payment can be made in cash direct to the Form Tutor or via the Payment Portal which will be made available for parents to pay as from Tuesday 6 May. Thank you once again helping raise funds for charity.

YEAR 8

Dolygaer Trip Year 8 and Year 9 Senior Girls Only

For those parents whose daughter is participating in the outdoor weekend trip to Wales please find the [kit list here](#).

Year 8 Parent Evening - Wednesday 14 May 6pm-8pm

The Schoolcloud online booking system for parents to make their appointments is **now open** but will **close at 12noon on Wednesday 14 May**. Some teachers teach all the girls in the year group, and appointments will be available on a first come, first served basis. The parent information guide can be found [here](#) and bookings made via <https://clairescourt.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please use your child's full name, as nicknames are not accepted by the system. If you are unable to make an appointment with a teacher that you particularly want to speak to, please let Mrs O'Clee know ako@clairescourt.net so that we can arrange a phone call at a later date.

Year 10

Year 10 Spanish Study Day - Tuesday 13 May

For those parents whose daughter is attending this trip next week

- Students may wear their own clothes and should bring a **pen**, as they will be completing a booklet during the day's activities.
- Meeting at the **Senior Girls site at 8:50am** and walk to the train station for the **9:24am train**.
- Return to school by **4:40pm**, in time for the **5:00pm buses** and onward travel to the **Senior Boys site**.
- If you would like your daughter to make **alternative travel arrangements** on the return journey from London or to **make their own way home**, please email Ms Urzaiz emu@clairescourt.net in advance with your **permission**.

Year 10 English Exam - Friday 23 May

A reminder that Year 10 will be sitting the English Language GCSE examination on the morning of Friday 23 May. Please find the [GCSE Rules and Regulations Booklet](#) for your reference.

Year 10 Mock Examinations - 19 - 27 June (excluding 25 June)

Please find the [draft timetable](#) for the Year 10 mock examinations taking place towards the end of this Summer Term.

YEAR 11 *please find lots of information for our Year 11 Senior Girls and Parents below.....*

Year 11 Study Arrangements Google Forms

W/C 12 May: Please [complete this form](#)

W/C 19 May: Please [complete this form](#)

Return of Chromebooks

Please can all Year 11 girls return their Chromebooks and charges by **Thursday 10 July** to the school office. Those staying on into our Sixth Form will be provided with a new one at the start of the Autumn term.

GCSE Examination Timetable

Please find the generic written timetable [here](#). Pupils have received a personalised timetable from their Form Tutor. Note the following Contingency Days that all pupils must be available for:

- Wednesday 11 June - afternoon
- Wednesday 25 June - all day

Please also find the [GCSE Rules and Regulations Booklet](#) which contains all the information you need to know for the forthcoming examination period.

RESPONSIBILITY



RESPECT



LOYALTY



INTEGRITY