

Weekly Bulletin

9 SEPTEMBER 2025 (AUTUMN TERM WEEK 1)

FROM THE OFFICE

Principal's Blog

Welcome back everybody to Claires Court for the new Academic Year, and I hope to see you at one of the various gatherings over the next few weeks. Every week, I write my thoughts on the wider educational scene; whilst I always aim for balance, that's not always possible on any one occasion. As Sir Keir Starmer has asked all headteachers to share with their community his welcome back, I do so willingly; nothing is more important than the education of our children to secure our own future well-being and prosperity. https://schl.cc:443/hf. Please read the rest of Mr Wilding's blog here, <a href="Claires Court: Resilience, Vision and Futures 2025"

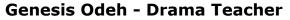
New Staff

We have pleasure in welcoming the following new staff to Claires Court Senior Boys....

Kelly Ronci - Receptionist



Eleanor Farley - History Teacher







Alison Pana - Science Teacher

Chris Jeffrey - Biology Teacher





Tempest School Photographs

Tempest Photography were at Senior Boys this week taking individual school photographs, so all pupils should have brought home an order form, Year 7 on Wednesday and Years 8-11 on Friday. You can order via the QR code on your order form or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk and enter your reference number from the order form.

Stationery Required at School

Please ensure your son has the following equipment with him in school so he is ready for learning and to minimise disruption in lessons. Could we kindly ask you to periodically check that he still has all the items required in the list below, thank you.

	Glue stick and scissors
□ P	Pens (black or blue for writing, plus purple for tests and green for corrections)
□ P	Pencils, eraser and sharpener (with container for shavings)
	Ruler (30cm), geometry kit
	Scientific calculator (Year 8 summer term upwards Casio FX-83GTCW)

Chromebooks

May we kindly ask for your support in encouraging your son to charge his chromebook each evening ready for the following school day, in the same way he would his mobile. Please find shared for your reference the <u>Claires Court Chromebook Policy</u>, noting any non-school issued chromebooks will need to have the Claires Court Google licence installed to ensure compatibility with school systems, safety online and security of all pupils. Further information can be found in the <u>appendix</u> of the policy.

Instrumental Tuition for 2025/26

If you are interested in starting one to one music lessons for your son this year, please see our <u>Instrumental Tuition Leaflet</u> and complete the <u>Music Tuition Booking</u> <u>Form</u> so we can be in contact to make arrangements.

Claires Court Run Club - starting 12 September

Mr Richards and Mr Jost would like to invite you to the Claires Court Run Club! **This** run club is open to all parents, guardians, staff and students, regardless of experience level. Whether you're a seasoned runner or just starting out, everyone is welcome to join!

- When: every Friday morning, 7.20am arrival for 7.30am (sharp!) start
- Where: starting and finishing from outside the Senior Boys' reception.
- **Distance:** choose between a 3.5km (Sheep) or 5km (Double Sheep) route

The plan is to make sure we are back at school by 8am, so if you think a 5km run might take longer than 30mins, please opt for the 3.5km option. If you're interested, please could a parent/guardian **fill in this consent form before the first run.**

Residential Trips Brochure

The 2025- 2026 Residential Trips Brochure is now available to <u>view</u>. As and when trips become available to book, an email letter will be sent containing all the details you need to know.

New, news, news!

Take a look here.... https://bit.ly/40qgNjs 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.

YEAR GROUP FORTHCOMING DATES

ALL YEAR GROUPS

Please see our website <u>calendar</u> for this term's dates, which will be updated when new events and dates are confirmed.

Jeans for Genes - Friday 19 September

Pupils are asked to wear denim for a £2 donation to support <u>Jeans for Genes</u>' 30th year celebration.

After Dinner Speaker - GB Olympian Mark Richardson - 3 October

Book your tickets for the first in our Claires Court After Dinner Speaker Series on 3 October, from 6-8 PM at College Avenue. The event will feature an inspirational speech from Mark Richardson, a world champion athlete and GB Olympian, who is also an ex-CC student. The evening will include an informal panel discussion and a live podcast-style Q&A, offering valuable insights and networking opportunities. We look forward to welcoming you for what promises to be an engaging and motivating event. You can book tickets via the PTA site here.



Fireworks Event - Saturday 11 October * SAVE THE DATE *

YEAR 7 ONLY

Welcome Year 7



Please find shared the <u>Parent Presentation</u> from Wednesday afternoon's Induction day for your reference. Please also remember to read through our <u>School Rules and Expectations</u> document with your son, both sign the copy he brought home on Wednesday and return it to his Form Tutor **by Monday 15 September**.

Sports Coaching Morning - 9.10am Saturday 6 September

Please come and meet our sports and pastoral staff tomorrow at the <u>Year 7 Sports Coaching Morning</u> at Braywick Sports Ground whilst the boys take part in some sport and meet their sports coaches.

Year 7 Cliveden Day - Friday 12 September

Pupils should arrive at school by 8.30am and will need to bring a small bag with nut-free packed lunch, snacks, water bottle and pencil case. Dress code is non-uniform suitable for the weather conditions (e.g. waterproof coat, warm layers) and walking boots or sensible trainers. Boys will be back at their respective schools by 4pm for usual collection or coaches home. Further information can be found in the <u>Year 7 Cliveden Day letter</u>.

Parents' Workshare - Monday 13 October * SAVE THE DATE *

YEAR 8 ONLY

Parent Workshop - Monday 15 September * SAVE THE DATE *

Rushall Farm Trip - Tuesday 23 September

Further information to follow in due course.

YEAR 9 ONLY

Parent Workshop - 6pm Thursday 11 September

Year 9 Parents are invited to our <u>Parent Workshop</u> next Thursday evening in the Sports Hall to learn more about the main pastoral and academic issues that arise in Year 9. Please arrive from 5.45pm for light refreshments and parking will be available in school. Please complete this <u>booking form</u> by Thursday 11 September to confirm if you will be attending, thank you.

Kew Trip - Monday 13 October

Further information to follow in due course.

YEAR 10 ONLY

Parent Workshop - Wednesday 17 September

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YEAR 11 ONLY

Parent Workshop - Tuesday 9 September

Year 11 Parents are invited to our <u>Parent Workshop</u> next Tuesday evening for this engaging workshop to help you support your son through this important year ahead. Please arrive from 5.45pm for light refreshments and parking will be available in school. Please complete this <u>booking form</u> by Tuesday 9 September to confirm if you will be attending, thank you.

Parents' Evening - Thursday 2 October

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- Payment Portal
- Sports Website
- Coach Booking
- Claires Court SchoolTV
- CC Administration of Medicine Request Form
- Term Time Holiday Request Form
- Absences: Report Portal / seniorboys@clairescourt.com / 01628 327600