



CLAIRES COURT SENIOR GIRLS

Weekly Bulletin

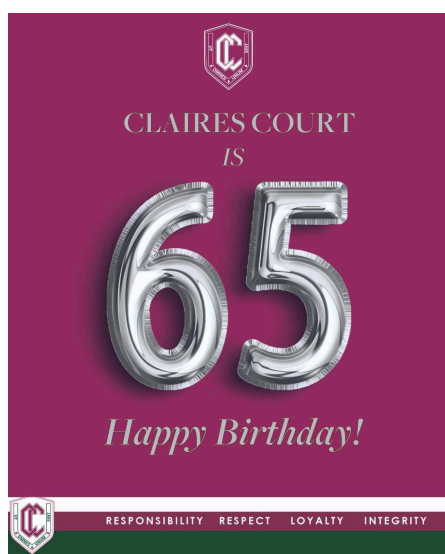
FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2025 AUTUMN TERM WEEK 3

PRINCIPAL'S BLOG

Please read Mr Wilding's weekly blog: ["Diplomacy -Whether to Grin or Bear It"](#)

Claire's Court is 65 today!

Claire's Court was founded on 19 September, 1960 by the parents of our current Principals, Hugh and James Wilding. Find out more about the school's history [here](#).



FROM THE OFFICE

PARKING AROUND SCHOOL PREMISES

Please can we ask parents to be considerate of our local neighbourhood residents' driveways at drop off and pickup times and avoid parking too near/over their entrances. Our coach bay is also reserved for school transport, emergency vehicles and delivery vehicles only and is to be kept clear during school opening hours. Thank you.

AFTER DINNER SPEAKER - GB OLYMPIAN MARK RICHARDSON



AFTER DINNER SPEAKER SERIES



DATE
03 October, 2025



TIME
6-8PM



LOCATION
College Avenue



BYO
Food and Drink



TICKET PRICE
Adults £5
Accompanying children free (1:1)



MARK RICHARDSON
GB OLYMPIAN

An inspirational speech from ex-CC student and world champion athlete, followed by informal panel discussion and live podcast style Q&A.

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, providing 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](#).

JOIN US FOR CLAIRE'S COURT PTA'S ANNUAL FIREWORKS NIGHT!



Burger or hotdog included with your ticket.
(Vegetarian options available.)

CLAIRE'S COURT PTA PRESENTS
FIREWORKS NIGHT
SAT 11 OCTOBER
5 - 9PM
CLAIRE'S COURT JUNIORS

Low noise fireworks from 7.15pm
Plus stalls and activities provided during the evening

BOOK HERE



<p>Online Tickets Adult £9, Child £5, Family £25 (2 adults and 2 children)</p>	<p>Price on the gate Adult £10, Child £6, Family £30* (2 adults and 2 children)</p>	<p>Prize for the best pumpkin, bring it on the night! ccpta.org.uk</p>
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*On gate tickets cannot be guaranteed food. Strictly no dogs allowed either in cars or on site

Date: Saturday 11 October

Time: 5 PM - 9 PM **Location:** Claires Court Juniors, SL6 4QQ

Enjoy a fantastic evening with low-noise fireworks from 7:15 PM, fun stalls, and activities for the whole family! Your ticket even includes a burger or hotdog (vegetarian options available).


Don't forget to bring your best carved pumpkin for a chance to win a prize!

Purchase your tickets [in advance](#) before 6 October to.....

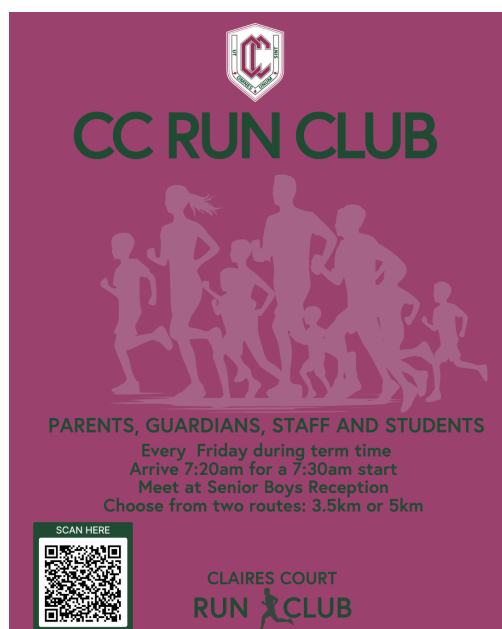
- avoid queues - wristbands will be given to your child to bring home on Thursday 9 October, so on the night you can just show your wristband and walk in, no need to wait at the gate!
- guarantee food - you will be able to get your food anytime after you arrive, tickets purchased on the night cannot collect food until after 6.30pm
- secure discounted ticket prices - save £5 on a family ticket!

Tickets:

- Online: Adult £9, Child £5, Family £25 (2 adults & 2 children)
- On the Gate: Adult £10, Child £6, Family £30 (2 adults & 2 children)

 Book your tickets now via the QR code on the flyer or visit: ccpta.org.uk
Please note: On-gate tickets cannot be guaranteed food. Strictly **no dogs** allowed in cars or on site.

CLAIRES COURT RUN CLUB - EVERY FRIDAY DURING TERM TIME



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.

CURRENT COACH AVAILABILITY

We would like to make you aware of the availability on some of our bus routes for the new school year. This is a great opportunity to secure reliable and convenient transportation for your child.

You can find all the information on our routes, costs, and how to make a booking by visiting **Vectare**. For any questions, please contact them directly at contact@vectare.co.uk.

To make managing your child's journey easier, we recommend the **VecTive Passenger App**, available for both Android and Apple devices. The app allows you to make and amend bookings and provides live tracking of our coaches. Just search for "VecTive Passenger App" in your app store.

PTA NEARLY NEW UNIFORM SALE DATES

Please see dates below for future sale dates at Senior Girls - note these are on a **Monday morning from 8am-9am** with the sale taking place just inside the Atrium entrance with payment by card only and **NOT** cash:

- 6 October 2025
- 3 November 2025
- 1 December 2025
- 12 January 2026
- 2 February 2026
- 2 March 2026
- 20 April 2026
- 11 May 2026
- 1 June 2026

If you have any good quality uniform you wish to donate to the PTA please drop off at the school office (blazers and skirts are always in demand). Thank you.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- [Payment Portal](#)
- [Sports Website](#)
- [Coach Booking](#)
- [Claire's Court SchoolTV](#)
- [CC Administration of Medicine Request Form](#)
- [Term Time Holiday Request Form](#)
- **Absences:** [Report Portal](#) / seniorgirls@clairescourt.com /01628 327500 (please report absences before 9.30am for each day of sickness)
- [Senior Girls Calendar here](#)
- [Term Dates](#)

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.

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

ALL YEAR GROUPS

Jeans for Genes - if you haven't yet donated, it's not too late!

Thank you to all who supported [Jeans for Genes'](#) 30th year celebration. We have currently raised **£260** so far and we're still counting. If you haven't yet donated you can still do so via the [Payment Portal](#), thank you.

Tempest School Photographs Year 8 - Year 11 *REMINDER*

Tempest Photography were at Senior Girls last week taking individual school photographs, so all pupils should have brought home an order form, Years 8-11. 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. To take advantage of the Free Delivery back to school please ensure you order no later than Monday 22 September.

Freedom From Abuse - Wednesday 24 September *SAVE THE DATE*

Please join Marilyn Hawes for this online information session from 8-9pm a week Wednesday. WARNING - whilst this does contain hard-hitting information about online risks it is so important to be aware.

PTA Meeting Senior School - Friday 3 October - 1pm *SAVE THE DATE*

Please join Steve Richards, Head of Seniors, and Nicola Kelly, Seniors PTA Chair, for the first Seniors PTA meeting of this year which will be held at 1pm virtually to allow as many people as possible to attend.

Flu Immunisations Year 7 - Year 11 Senior Girls - Monday 3 November

NHS Berkshire Health will be in school on Monday 3 November to administer the flu vaccinations. Please may we ask that you complete the **YES/NO** consent form mentioned in their [letter here](#) (the school's unique code is **BK110153G**) before Monday 27 October for either:

[Nasal Flu Vaccine Consent Form](#) (contains a small amount of porcine gelatine)
[Injectable Flu Vaccine Consent Form](#) (does not contain porcine gelatine)

Find your child's NHS number - [link here](#)

Further information can be found in these documents:

- [Children's flu vaccine - NHS](#)
- [Protect yourself against flu; Information for those in secondary school](#)
- [BIMA Flu Vaccination Guides 2025](#)

YEAR 7 ONLY

Claire's Court SchoolTV

Please make use of this valuable resource available to all our parents at <https://clairescourt.uk.schooltv.me/>. Of particular relevance to those starting in year 7 please check out the following article....[Starting Year 7](#)

Parent Workshare Evening - Wednesday 15 October 6pm-8pm

We would like to invite parents in to view your daughter's workbooks and meet with her Form Tutor to see how she is settling at Senior Girls. Further information will be emailed out but please **save the date** for now.

YEAR 8 ONLY

Parent Workshop

Thank you to those who attended the workshop on Monday evening, we hope you found the session beneficial at the start of this important academic year. For your reference and for those who were unable to attend please find the [slide presentation](#) here and [video recording here](#) from Mr Wespieser on Sparx Reader and Accelerated Reader at Claires Court.

Rushall Farm Trip - Tuesday 23 September

Year 8 Rushall Farm Trip - Tuesday 23 September

Please find details of the Year 8 Geography Field trip to Rushall Farm noting the following details:

- Pupils should travel to school as normal to leave at 9am and will be returning by 4pm for usual afterschool activities or travel home
- Pupils should wear non-school uniform suitable for the weather e.g. warm and waterproof, and a change of footwear is **essential**
- Pupils will need nut-free packed lunch, snacks and drinks for the day, as well as pens/pencils and a clipboard (if possible)

YEAR 9 ONLY

Kew Trip - Monday 13 October

Further information to follow in due course.

YEAR 10 ONLY

Parent Workshop

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YEAR 11 ONLY

Tuesday 30 September 6pm-8pm 'SAVE THE DATE'

G11 Parents' Evening

An email will be sent out to parents prior confirming when the online booking is 'live' enabling you to book your appointments. Details on how to book your appointment can be found [here](#).

TRIP INFORMATION

Residential Trips Brochure

The 2025- 2026 Residential Trips Brochure is now available to [view](#). As and when trips become available to book, an email letter will be sent containing all the details you need to know.

Belgium Choir Tour - Parent Information Evening - Thursday 25 September

Please join Mr Wolstencroft online at 6pm for this information session for all those travelling to Belgium for the Choir Tour over half term. The link was emailed to you today.

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION



Please find a new monthly section [here](#), starting with the month of September, of interesting facts and information relating to each particular month as we roll through the academic year.

Root of the Week

In our 'Root of the Week' pupils learn one new word root and its meaning each week, along with examples of words containing that root, in an attempt to increase vocabulary and comprehension.

- The root this week was '**scope**' meaning '**see**'
- Example words include '**telescope**', '**microscope**' and '**periscope**'

Well done to all the girls named below this week!

Linguist of the Week

w/c 15 September

Year 8 German: Aria H (working extremely well in lessons, producing great homework)

Year 9 Spanish: Jennifer B (amazing start, great attitude, effort)

Year 9 French: Emily W (great enthusiasm, effort with a language that is new to her)

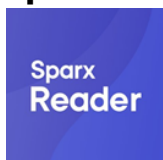
Scientists of the Week

w/c 15 September

Year 9: Lilly T (excellent rock salt separation method in Chemistry)

Year 10: Florence M (brilliant verbal answers)

Sparx Reader of the Week



w/c 15 September

Year 7: Avril C (over 2000 points - which is a HUGE achievement)

Year 8: Clodagh E

Accelerated Reader of the Week



w/c 15 September

Year 8: Ava M

Year 9: Ellie H

RESPONSIBILITY ♦ RESPECT ♦ LOYALTY ♦ INTEGRITY