

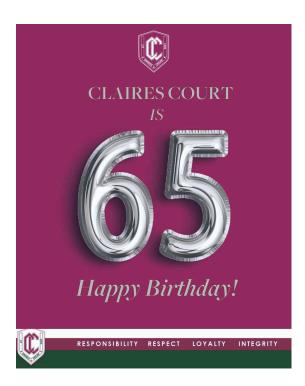
19 September 2025 - Autumn Term - Week 3

Principal's Blog

Please read the latest blog from Mr Wilding here: "Diplomacy -Whether to Grin or Bear It"

Claires Court is 65 today!

Claires Court was founded on 19 September, 1960 by the parents of our Principals, Hugh and James Wilding. Find out more about the school's history **here**.



At Claires Court Nursery there is always an opportunity for the children to not only enjoy playing with their friends but also to work 1-1 or in small groups with their teachers. This week the topic of light was continued and the children played

a game where they had to find the picture which represented light. Some pictures were more obscure and really made the children think outside the box.



There are always number activities for the children to explore and whoever comes to the activity, the adults know exactly where that child is in their learning and can extend them.



Everyday, the children love being able to be explorative and curious. And during this time, great relationships are made, imaginations can run wild and there are fantastic opportunities for the children to develop their language.



Forest School



 $\underline{\textbf{PE}}$ Balance and developing their inner core was the objective of this week's PE for the Beehive class.





Bumble Bees

The Bumble Bee class has been exploring the topic 'All About Me'. However, like the Beehive class, there has been the opportunity for them to continue to explore their room and secure those important relationships with their peers and teachers.

Exploration fosters holistic development by engaging children's natural curiosity and promoting first-hand, active learning through play. Here are a few examples of how exploration supports children's development and learning.

Cognitive & Creative Skills: Children use their imagination and ideas to make sense of the world, develop creative thinking, and explore new scenarios

Social & Emotional Growth: Through play and interaction with others, children build positive relationships, learn to cooperate, express themselves, and understand different feelings and perspectives

Physical Development: Exploration helps children refine both gross and fine motor skills by experimenting with movement, coordination, and the physical properties of objects

Making Connections & Understanding the World: First-hand experiences allow children to link new information with their existing knowledge, understand society and culture, and discover how things work



























Dates to remember

- Monday 22 September closing date for booking October half term holiday care. Please book <u>here</u> if you require holiday care during this period.
- **Tuesday 7 October** Individual photos. If your child does not attend on this day you can bring them in for the photo.
- **20 31 October** October Half Term (3 & 4 year olds)

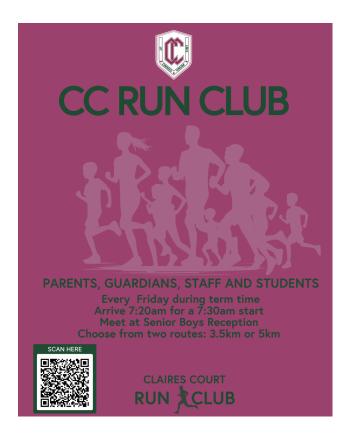
After Dinner Speaker - GB Olympian Mark Richardson



Book your tickets for the first in our Claires Court After Dinner Speaker Series on 03 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.

Claires Court Run Club



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.



Join us for Claires Court PTA's Annual Fireworks Night!

Date: Saturday 11 October

Time: 5 PM - 9 PM Location: Claires Court Juniors

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.**

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