



CLAIRE'S COURT
SENIOR GIRLS

Weekly Bulletin

FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2025 AUTUMN TERM WEEK 4

PRINCIPAL'S BLOG

Please read the latest blog from Mr Wilding here: ["Founders' Day and the dynamism of a Family school"](#)

FROM THE OFFICE

CCSBC SPONSORED ROW

Next Saturday the rowers will be rowing the distance from London to Paris to raise money for the boat club.

- **Date:** Saturday, 4 October
- **Location:** Senior Girls/6th Form Site - use the side entrance by the pool
- **Rowing Challenge:** Finishes at 2:30 PM.
- **Supporters Welcome:** Join us from 12:30 PM to cheer on the final push!

What's On?

Come and celebrate the rowers' marathon effort! Once the row is over we will have a BBQ, the bar will be open, and the PTA will run a 2nd-hand kit sale.



ROAD SAFETY REMINDER – COLLEGE AVENUE SITE

We'd like to remind all parents and carers to please take extra care when dropping off and collecting children at the College Avenue site as we have noticed several potentially dangerous situations recently, including vehicles using the entrance as an exit! Thank you for your continued cooperation in keeping our site safe for everyone.

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 CLAIRES COURT PTA'S ANNUAL FIREWORKS NIGHT!



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.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are again supporting the Operation Christmas Child project. Our Head Girls, Ava and Chloe, will be handing out the gift boxes during form time to whoever would like one. The deadline to return these back into school is **Friday 17 October**. Please see the list below of suggested items and list of items not to be included. Thank you in advance for your help.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS:	DO NOT INCLUDE:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ SOMETHING TO WEAR: T-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.✓ SOMETHING TO LOVE: teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.✓ SOMETHING SPECIAL: carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.✓ SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL: exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.✓ SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH: tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.✓ SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE: soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT: (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons and plasticine/play dough✗ FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND: (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins✗ USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS: (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys✗ BREAKABLE ITEMS: including glass, porcelain and mirrors✗ ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD: including Halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones✗ GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS: including play money, playing cards and dominoes✗ RELIGIOUS LITERATURE: including tracts and Bibles (every child is given an Operation Christmas Child evangelistic book at an outreach event)



These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.

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 - our final tally of monies received totalled £300 so a BIG thank you to all.

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

Parents and their daughters are invited into school on Wednesday 15 October from 6pm so please **SAVE THE DATE**. Your daughter will be your guide for the evening and will show you around her new school. She will take you to her classrooms where you can see her work and informally talk to teachers. You will be able to book an appointment to talk to her form tutor via [Schoolcloud](#) and details are [here](#) on how to do this. Booking will open at **9.30am** on **Thursday 9 October** and close at **12noon** on **Wednesday 15 October**. Please use your daughter's full name as abbreviations are not recognised. We will be emailing a letter out next week with further information.

YEAR 8 ONLY

Parents' Evening - Monday 10 November 6pm-8pm *SAVE THE DATE*

Further information to follow.

YEAR 9 ONLY

Kew Trip - Monday 13 October

Further information to follow in due course.

YEAR 10 ONLY

Parents' Evening - Wednesday 5 November 6pm-8pm *SAVE THE DATE*

Further information to follow.

YEAR 11 ONLY

Tuesday 30 September 6pm-8pm G11 Parents' Evening

[Schoolcloud](#) is **NOW OPEN** enabling parents to book their appointments to see the subject teachers on Tuesday. 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.

Cologne Trip Parent Information Evening - Monday 29 September

Please join Mrs Denton at **6.30pm** on Monday 29 September when she will discuss the itinerary and answer any questions you may have. The MEET link

was emailed to you on Friday 19 September, please join with your camera and microphone turned off.

Naples Trip Parent Information Evening - Wednesday 1 October

Mr Gray would like to invite you to an online Parent Information Evening at **7pm** on Wednesday 1 October regarding the Bay of Naples trip taking place in half term. The MEET link was emailed on Wednesday 23 September, please join with your camera and microphone turned off.

Turkey Watersports Trip - 20-27 October 2026

Please find the Turkey Watersports Trip letter planned for October half term 2026 available to pupils **currently in** Years 7 - 12. To request a place for your son/daughter please complete the Online Consent Form by 11am Monday 6 October, after which time the 35 places will be allocated and payment of the non-refundable deposit required.

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 is..... 'Poly' meaning 'Many'

Poly <i>Origin: Greek</i> <i>Meaning: Many</i>	Examples: Polygon Polygamy Polyglot Polydactyly Polygraph
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Well done to all the girls named below this week!

Linguist of the Week

w/c 22 September

Year 7 Spanish: Charlotte N

Displaying real ability as a linguist

Year 7 French: Kaliyaani M

Great maturity and engagement from the start of the year

Year 10 German: Tilly J

For completing summer work thoroughly and showing a high level of effort and understanding in GCSE German

Scientists of the Week

w/c 22 September

Year 8: Olivia H and Aria H

Fabulous practical skills in getting all 4 food tests done in one lesson!

Year 9: Olivia R

Excellent resilience with magnification calculations. Working at a great standard

Sparx Reader of the Week

w/c 22 September

Year 7: Florence M

Year 8: Molly K

Accelerated Reader of the Week

w/c 22 September

Year 8: Amelie W

Year 9: Holly S

RESPONSIBILITY



RESPECT



LOYALTY



INTEGRITY