

2 February 2024 (Spring Term Week 4)

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Principal's Blog

Please read Mr Wilding's blog 'A Principled View'

Auction Prizes for the Summer Ball

The PTA would like to reach out to any parent in the school that could perhaps be able to offer an auction prize for the Claires Court Ball. For those that have attended in the past, it is a fantastic night organised by the PTA and within the night we have a professional auction company that provides wonderful bespoke experiences and entertainment. We would very much like to add to this exciting auction and open it up to all guests to enjoy by being able to offer other experiences that would enable more people to participate and bid upon.

We are hoping that from our large supportive school community we could generate some additional auction prizes and would be extremely grateful to all offers big or small. All of these auction prizes that parents donate means the money raised on the night from your donation goes directly to the PTA.

If you can help please drop us an email to pta.ccgs@gmail.com advising what you would like to offer and we will be in touch to discuss further. Thank you all so much.

PTA Summer Ball Committee

PTA Hollywood Ball - Saturday 8 June

We are delighted to announce the annual Claires Court PTA ball on 8 June at Claires Court Juniors.



There are several options to book a table (see below) and all reservations are needed by 26 April. Payment information will follow.

OPTION 1 - BOOK WHOLE TABLE

Each table requires a designated Table Leader. The Table Leader needs to co-ordinate the payment for all the other guests on the table. Table Leaders must reserve a table for either 8, 10 or 12 (or can be an odd number). Send an email to pta.ccgs@gmail.com including leader name, table size and a contact number.

OPTION 2 – MIXER TABLE FOR COUPLES/ SINGLES A perfect way to meet new parents!

For those parents who do not have enough people to make up a table, we can create a MIXER table with other guests. Reserve your place by sending an email to pta.ccgs@gmail.com with number of guests, year group and contact number. We aim to put year groups together.

This month on SchoolTV - Respectful Relationships

Equipping children with an understanding of healthy versus unhealthy relationships is an important aspect of their development. It will guide them to make informed choices, foster positive connections, and set boundaries that contribute to their emotional wellbeing. Understanding the nuances between healthy and unhealthy relationships provides children with the essential tools to

navigate their social world, build self-esteem, and cultivate meaningful relationships.

In this edition of SchoolTV, learn how to empower young people in healthy interactions to embrace differences and forge connections that honour their self-worth. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this month's edition, and we always welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to this month's edition https://clairescourt.uk.schooltv.me/newsletter/respectful-relationships

Tea with the School Nurses

As part of our parent workshops, we would like to invite you to a coffee morning with the nurses on Friday 9 February. Please see further details and how to book here.

ISA Musical Theatre Competition REMINDER

If your child would like to enter this exciting competition please let Mrs Stevenson know on evs@clairescourt.net. Entries close on Monday 5 February, 2024.

PTA AGM

Please save the date for our PTA AGM - Friday 1 March - more details to follow next week and it will be held at Juniors.

Lost Property

Please can all items brought to school be clearly named. We will keep any unnamed items for two weeks, and then if not claimed they will be disposed of or donated.

If you are missing an item, please check the lost property boxes and with the school office.

As we approach the end of another half a term, please can we kindly ask all parents to check all their child's/children's belongings to ensure they have not accidentally taken home someone else's items. Please bring any items found to the school office and we will happily reunite them with their owners.

February Half Term Holiday Club



Chess Tournament this Saturday

At the time of writing we have 75 entries for the chess tournament at CCJ this Saturday. This is an excellent number; more so than we had for the National Qualifiers. When people think of chess in Maidenhead, Berkshire, and the South East they really do think of Claires Court.

Some of these entries are homegrown, and some are returning former students. We wish them all well.

Chess Lessons with Mr Tuck

As we approach the halfway point of the academic year I shall once more advertise the option of chess lessons with Mr Tuck on Fridays. Whilst Mr Tuck has a full schedule, we are always on the lookout for any student who loves their chess and would like to develop this skill and ability.

If your son or daughter is interested please contact me rih@clairescourt.net

Bunny/Rabbit Award

Awarded for kindness, helpfulness and compassion doing the right thing without being asked, it is what makes our school a wonderful environment. This week our bunny/rabbit has been awarded to Piper S and Lauren H.

Reminders

RBWM Inclusion Summit - Wednesday 7 February

Parents are invited to attend this event taking place at Royal Windsor Racecourse (SL4 5EZ) to share information and celebrate developments in SEND across the

borough. Further information can be found <u>here</u> and to register your interest click this link.



Absences/changes to your children drop off/ pick up arrangements.

If you need to make any changes to your child's drop off or pick up, please can we kindly ask that you email the office on juniors@clairescourt.net. For any last minute changes after 12pm, please call the office on 01628 327400. Emails sent to class teachers during the day or after 12pm to the office can be missed.

Medical/Dental Appointments

Please notify the school office at least 24 hours prior to the appointment (where possible) via email to juniors@clairescourt.net.

Sickness Absence

Please report all other absences daily to the school office before 9.30am either on 01628 327400, by email juniors@clairescourt.net or via the Report Portal (accessible via the Parents page of our website www.clairescourt.com/parents).

Term Time Absence

Please see our <u>Attendance and Holidays in Term Time Policy</u> noting that absence for holidays is not encouraged during term time and will not normally be authorised for the first or last week of any term. If you do wish the headteacher to review a request please complete the <u>Online Holiday Request Form</u>.

PTA

Nearly New Uniform *Date Change*

The next nearly new uniform sale will take place on Friday 1st March at 8am-8.45am, this will be in the stable block.

A reminder that we only accept branded school uniform items, so please no school shirts, trousers/shorts, swimwear, or grey/burgundy socks and tights. Please wash all items before donating.

Locker Rooms

Please can we remind all parents and guardians that you are NOT permitted to enter the locker rooms during drop off or pick up due to safeguarding.

After School Care Contact Telephone Number from 5pm

If you need to contact the After School Care from 5pm onwards regarding a delay in collecting your child please telephone 01628 327745.

School Calendar

Please don't forget to check our <u>online school calendar</u> to see what is happening throughout the term.

Sports Fixtures / Sports News

All details of fixtures can be found on our website.

Class Bulletins

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Have a lovely weekend

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