



## CLAIRE'S COURT SIXTH FORM

# Weekly Bulletin

**2 February 2024**

### **SIXTH FORM MOCK EXAMS TIMETABLE**

Sixth Form mock exams will take place over the two week period immediately after the half term holidays, from Monday 19 February - Friday 1 March. All exams will take place under exam conditions. Lessons will continue at this time and students will attend exams as per the timetable. Next week, students will be given their own exam timetable to cover this period so they know exactly when they will have an exam. Exam venues have been shared with students. If students are sick on an exam day, please do let us know asap. Anyone who misses their timetabled exam will have to complete a different exam at a later date to comply with guidelines.

### **Download Our School App**

For everything you need in one place - quick links to catering menus, term dates, payment and report portals to up to date news from around the school. Simply search for Claire's Court School on either the App store or Google Play - it's free, we don't collect your details and you don't need to register to use it!

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### **CCF Quiz Night - Friday 22 March**



The cadets have been tasked with raising money for the CCF charity in celebration of their 75th anniversary and are organising a Quiz Night to round off the school's Charity Week which is w/c 18 March, details below. Captain O'Lee and 2Lt Richards will be the quiz masters but no military knowledge is required!

There will be prizes during the evening and a heads and tails competition.

Location: CCSG - School Hall

Time: 6pm - 8pm (ish)

Bar: run by the PTA

Food: BYO picnic dinner or take away - cadets will be running a bake sale for your pudding.

Cost: Tables/Teams cost £100 - with a maximum of 10 per table/team. If you don't have a table, we will assign you a team at £10pp.

How to pay: Bring good old fashioned cash on the evening for the table and the raffle/bar/bake sale. The PTA will also have their card machines there on the night

### **PTA HOLLYWOOD BALL - Saturday 8 June**

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



#### **OPTION 1 – BOOK WHOLE TABLE**

Each table requires a designated Table Leader. The Table Leader needs to coordinate 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.ccs@gmail.com](mailto:pta.ccs@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.ccs@gmail.com](mailto:pta.ccs@gmail.com) with the number of guests, year group and contact number. We aim to put year groups together.

#### **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.ccs@gmail.com](mailto:pta.ccs@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

### **This month on Claires Court 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 [Respectful Relationships 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.

### **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 [here](#) and to register your interest click this [link](#).

### **PRINCIPAL'S BLOG**

Please read Mr Wilding's blog '[A Principled View](#)' for part 2 of the #CCCsDroneSquad's trip to BETT24.

### **PTA AGM**

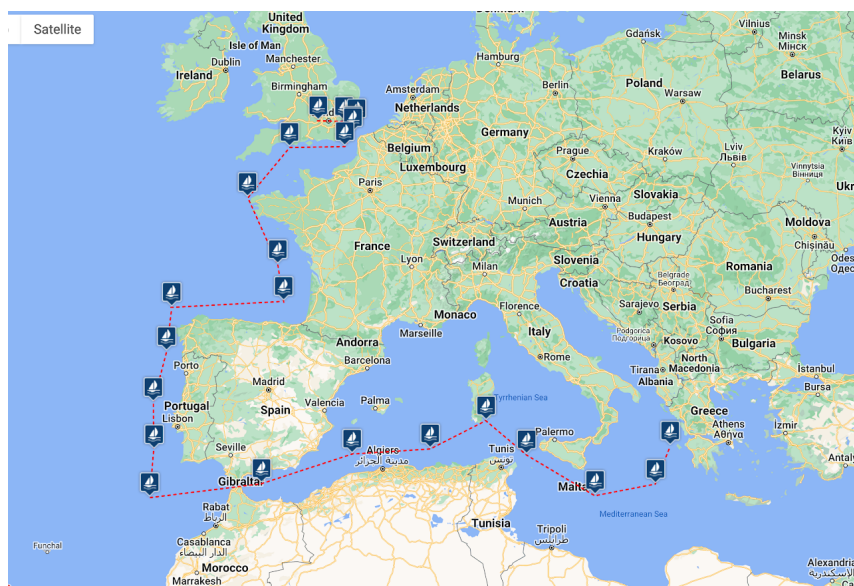
Please save the date for our PTA AGM - Friday 1 March - more details to follow next week and it will be held at Juniors.

### **PORTLAND PRE-SEASON SAILING CAMP - 11-12 April**

Please find shared [Portland April 2024](#) letter for the pre-season sailing camp taking place 11 - 12 April. Allocation of the 28 places will primarily be on a first-come first-served basis and spaces will not be confirmed until payment has been received. Please complete the [Consent Form](#) and pay the £270 via [Payment Portal](#) as soon as possible and by Friday 9 February at the latest.

### **CLAIRES COURT SPONSORED SAIL TO GREECE**

Please find the [Week 3 update](#) from the Claires Court Sailing department who is fundraising for a replacement powerboat by sailing the equivalent distance from Maidenhead to Lefkas, Greece. Donations to support them can be made via their [Just Giving Page](#).



This is a week-long celebration that brings together businesses and apprentices across the country to shine a light on the positive impact that apprenticeships make to individuals, businesses and the wider economy.

Do watch the NAW introduction video which will explain more:

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/naw-3-minute-explainer-film/>

You may also like to listen to the following podcast: ["parent perspective" podcast](#)

You can find more information [here](#)



**Check out this webinar from the University of Hertfordshire:**

Degree Apprenticeships: How are they similar to/different from a traditional university degree and how to start looking for one. In this talk, discover more about degree apprenticeships – how they work, where to start looking for one and how they are similar/different from a traditional university degree. Monday 5 February, 4.30pm -5.15pm [Book your place.](#)



There are some huge virtual events taking place in National Apprenticeship Week to get students excited about some of the core industries they could work in once they leave us. Make sure you register for these in good time.

**Business & Accounting Event** - Monday 5 February 5pm-6.30pm

**Banking & FinTech Event** - Tuesday 6th February, 5pm - 6.30pm

**Engineering & Construction Event** - Wednesday 7th February, 5pm - 6.30pm

**Law Event** - Wednesday 7th February, 5pm - 6.30pm

**Webinar on Apprenticeship Routes for School Leavers - Thursday 8 February 4.40pm - 5.30pm**

We will be joined by Jess Payne, Recruitment Manager at Snapdragons Nurseries, who will talk about employment opportunities in Early Years.

- ✓ What is an apprenticeship?
- ✓ What is the career pathway into Early Years and Education?
- ✓ How to find an apprenticeship
- ✓ What an employer is looking for
- ✓ Q&A

All registrants will receive the recording and slides from the webinar. Register [here](#)



**Apprenticeships with BAE Systems**

Apprenticeships with BAe Systems provide unrivalled opportunities to work with cutting-edge technology and engineering. From making submarines invisible and protecting marine life, to sending satellites into space. Students gain hands-on experience with the best technology on the planet, whilst gaining recognised qualifications and earning a competitive wage.

Find out more [here](#). Applications close at the end of February.

## UNIVERSITY INFORMATION FOR YEARS 12 & 13



### University of Cambridge

29 January to 15 February 2024

Think Cambridge is a great way for students to kickstart their year if they're thinking about applying to Cambridge. This is a three-week long series of webinars to inspire Year 12 students to apply to Cambridge. [Research the webinar series](#)



Continuing through the year, Subject Masterclasses are subject-specific events that offer high-achieving students in Year 12 the chance to experience typical undergraduate teaching at the University of Cambridge. This month we have Masterclasses covering:

- Education (12 February)
- Sociology (15 February)
- Geography (19 February)
- Veterinary Medicine (19 February)

The events are designed for Y12 students. Masterclasses will be added throughout the year, so remind students to check back regularly using the link below. [View upcoming Masterclasses](#)

### University of East Anglia - Online subject taster lectures

Join our friendly online taster sessions to discover what it's like to study your chosen subject at university. Take a look [here](#) at the full programme of subject taster sessions available, webinars and MOOCs.

On Tuesday 6 February, we have a fabulous opportunity for students who enjoy their Mathematics studies and may or may not yet be considering continuing this interest at university. This will offer excellent insight for Year 12 students, and equivalent, considering their options for 2025.

**February 6 @ 3.35pm - 4.35pm** Mathematics - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience – Nottingham & UEA (KS5) [Find out more](#)

### Oxford Brookes University Taster days

Join our Subject Taster Days to gain first hand experience of studying at university level and student life. Each Subject Taster Day is free to attend and will give insight into a range of courses within a subject area from one of our four faculties: Humanities and Social Sciences, Oxford Brookes Business School, Health and Life Sciences and Technology, Design and Environment:

### Entrepreneurs in the Making - 11 March 2024

Subjects: Digital Marketing, Marketing Management, Business and Management, Hospitality and Events Management.

**Power and Privilege - 27 March 2024**

Subjects: Law, Criminology, Philosophy, History, Politics and English.

**NutriGuess Challenge - Decoding Fat & Sugar - 30 April 2024**

Subject: Nutrition

**Exploring Adult Nursing - 30 April 2024**

Subject: Adult Nursing

**Discover Occupational Therapy - 1 May 2024**

Subject: Occupational Therapies

**Engineering - 8 May 2024**

Subjects: Motorsport, Mechanical and Robotics Engineering

**Computer Science - 9 May 2024**

Subjects: Computer Science

**Art & Design 15 May 2024**

Subjects: A range of Art & Design courses with an exploration into the undergraduate exhibitions.

**Architecture 22 May 2024**

Subjects: Architecture exploring the undergraduate exhibition.

For more information and descriptions of what each day entails please visit the [website](#).

**Brunel University Taster days**

Our subject-specific taster days begin at 10am and run for approximately 4 hours on [campus in Uxbridge, west London](#). These sessions provide students with the opportunity to delve deeper into their course(s) of interest through taster lectures and workshops. They can chat with our current students and teaching staff, and receive all the support they need to make informed choices about their future studies.

Sessions on law, engineering & maths, criminology and history and politics are available. You can find out more details and book [here](#)

**CAREERS INFORMATION****Apply today to two Business & Accounting In-person Events in Reading**

We are really excited to share that we've got an event with PwC and KPMG in Reading at their offices in February and we would love to invite you to join us at them.

**PwC Females of the Future:**

- Tuesday 20 February, 1.30pm - 5pm
- At the PwC office in Reading
- Open to all Y11 and Y12 female students
- Workshops, panel discussions and networking opportunities
- Application Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8XMPHJX>

**KPMG Insight Evening:**

- Thursday 22 February, 5pm – 7.30pm
- At the KPMG office in Reading
- Open to all Y12 and Y13 students
- Workshops, panel discussions and networking opportunities
- Application Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8TTDYZB>