



**CLAIRE'S COURT
SENIOR BOYS**

Weekly Bulletin

17 APRIL (SUMMER TERM WEEK 1)

FROM THE OFFICE

Whole School Photograph - Tuesday 28 April

Tempest School Photography will be taking the Senior Boys School photograph on Tuesday 28 April. All boys need to wear their full school uniform including tie and blazer. Please ensure hair is **neat and tidy**. Ordering details will be shared once available.

PTA Summer Fete - Saturday 20 June

Bring the whole family for inflatable madness, artisan stalls, and Pimms tent from 12pm–4pm. Advance family tickets are a steal at just £12 — [grab yours now!](#)

Claire's Court PTA Presents

Summer Fete

Saturday 20 June 12pm – 4pm

- Variety of Food Vendors
- Amazing Raffle Prizes
- Bar & Pimms Tent
- Inflatables for all ages
- Local Artisan Stall Holders
- And Lots More!

£12 family ticket ~ £4 individual ticket
When bought in advance

Tickets available now
ccpta.org.uk

PTA Summer Party - Saturday 27 June

Dust off your "Summer Sophistication" attire for a night of nibbles and a live disco from 6pm until late at the Juniors. Tickets are £45 for an evening of effortless elegance — don't miss out! [Book your tickets here.](#)



Does Your Child Suffer with Hayfever?

Hayfever medication should be commenced at least 2-4 weeks before your symptoms usually begin to achieve maximum effectiveness. For most people this means starting treatment in early Spring - early March for tree pollen and mid-March/April for grass pollen. Using medication before coming into contact with pollen helps stop the release of histamine, which triggers the symptoms. Hayfever, if poorly controlled, can be very disruptive to your child's day, especially for Year 11's sitting their GCSE's. Please ensure your child takes their chosen medication every day before school. Thank you for your help.

Claires Court SchoolTV - **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED RESOURCE**

Please make use of this valuable resource - [Claires Court SchoolTV](#) - available to all our parents. Because parenting doesn't come with instructions, SchoolTV is a wellbeing resource that can support you in the challenges relating to modern-day parenting. This award-winning resource helps build relationships, foster connections, enable understanding and break down barriers to navigate a pathway towards better mental health and wellbeing for young people.

Rewards and Sanctions email

You should have received an email from your son's Form Tutor yesterday sharing details of any rewards and sanctions your son has received in the last seven days. If you did not receive this, please check in your junk/spam folder and add the tutor's email address to your 'safe sender' list.

New, news, news!

Take a look here..... <https://bit.ly/40qqNjs> 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 FORTHCOMING DATES

ALL YEAR GROUPS

Please see our website [calendar](#) for this term's dates, which will be updated when new events and dates are confirmed.

YEAR 7 ONLY

Geography Trip to Rushall Farm - Monday 20 April

Please note the following information for the Year 7 trip to [Rushall Farm](#) on Monday 20 April:

- School uniform is not required but clothing should be both warm and waterproof
- Change of footwear is **essential** - clean trainers/footwear for the coach and wellingtons/sturdy walking boots/waterproof trainers to change into on arrival
- Coaches depart 9am and return approximately 4pm depending on traffic
- Please provide a nut-free packed lunch, snacks and drinks
- Pupils will need to bring their own pens/pencils and if possible a clipboard

YEAR 8 ONLY

Scientific Calculator

Pupils in Year 8 will now need a scientific calculator for their Maths lessons and our strong recommendation is that the best calculator for the IGCSE studies is the Casio FX-83GT CW+ as it has the best functionality and ease of input for pupils.

Information Evening re. Year 9 Subject Choices - Tuesday 21 April

Year 8 Parents are invited to an online Information Evening at 6pm on Tuesday 21 April when we will explain the process for making choices about subjects to study in Year 9. You will have received an email today containing the MEET link and a [Year 8 into 9 Choices Form](#) which needs to be completed **by Friday 24 April**.

B8 Parents Evening - Thursday 14 May

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Year 8 HPV Vaccinations - Friday 3 July

The NHS Immunisations team will be administering [HPV vaccinations](#) at Senior Boys on 3 July. Please complete a **YES or NO** [Consent Form](#) using school code BK110153B. Further information about the HPV vaccine can be found on the [NHS website](#).

YEAR 9 ONLY

B9 Parents Evening - Wednesday 29 April

Appointment booking for the B9 Parents evening on Wednesday 29 April will open via [Schoolcloud](#) at 10am on Thursday 23 April and close at 10am on Tuesday 28 April. Please use full names as the system does not recognise abbreviated names. You will be able to book appointments with up to ten teachers. Please opt to book manually in order to leave sufficient 'travel time' between appointments with English, Maths & Science teachers who will be in the Maths Block classrooms and all other subject teachers who will be based in the Sports Hall.

On the night, pupils can remain at school after activities/study and meet up with you on arrival. Parking will be available, but please do not drive into school until **after 5.45pm** after which time all the school coaches will have safely departed. Please sign in when you arrive and refreshments will be available.

Year 9 Legoland Trip - Tuesday 19 May

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YEAR 10 ONLY

German Day Goethe Institute - Thursday 23 April

Please find the [letter](#) regarding the Year 10 GCSE German Language trip to London on Thursday 23 April noting the following information:

- Meet at 8.30am at Senior Girls to walk to the station
- Dress code is school uniform
- Please bring pen, notebook, nut-free packed lunch, snacks & drink
- Return approximately 5pm in time for coaches home

Year 10 Exam Support Drop-in - Monday 23 March

Please find the presentation slides and a recording of the session on 23 March.

Year 10 Mock Examination Timetable

Please find the proposed [Year 10 Mock Examination Timetable](#) for the summer term taking place 17 - 25 June, excluding Wednesday 24 June.

English Language IGCSE Revision Booklet

With the IGCSE English Examination fast approaching it is vital that pupils are organising their revision time effectively. Please find a [Revision Booklet](#) which has also been shared with Year 10 pupils to guide them in the best practical use of their time. Revision should be active, specific, visual and not easy. May we kindly ask you to discuss this with your son and support him with his revision in preparation for Thursday 21 May.

Exam Regulations Booklet

Please find the [Exam Regulations Booklet](#) that we kindly ask that you read this booklet carefully as it contains important information that you will need to know for the English Language GCSE examination in the summer. Please keep a copy for future reference as any questions you may have are likely to be answered within.

YEAR 11 ONLY

Thorpe Park - book ticket OR coach by 17 April

Year 11s are invited to [Thorpe Park](#) on Tuesday 23 June to celebrate the end of their GCSE's. Those who had not currently confirmed their child's place were sent a reminder email yesterday to **EITHER** pay £20 for a ticket via the Payment Portal **OR** complete [Annual Pass Form](#) to book a seat on the coach, deadline **TODAY**, Friday 17 April.

SA Tour Information Evening - Monday 20 April

There will be an information evening for boys and parents at 6pm in the Sports Hall at Senior Boys. During this session, we will distribute the final itinerary, kit lists and answer any remaining questions you may have. Parking will be available, but please do not drive into school before 5.45pm after which time all the coaches will have safely departed. The [Payment Portal](#) is still open for any outstanding payments - just enter the amount you would like to pay.

Year 11 Form and Year Group Photographs - order by 29 April

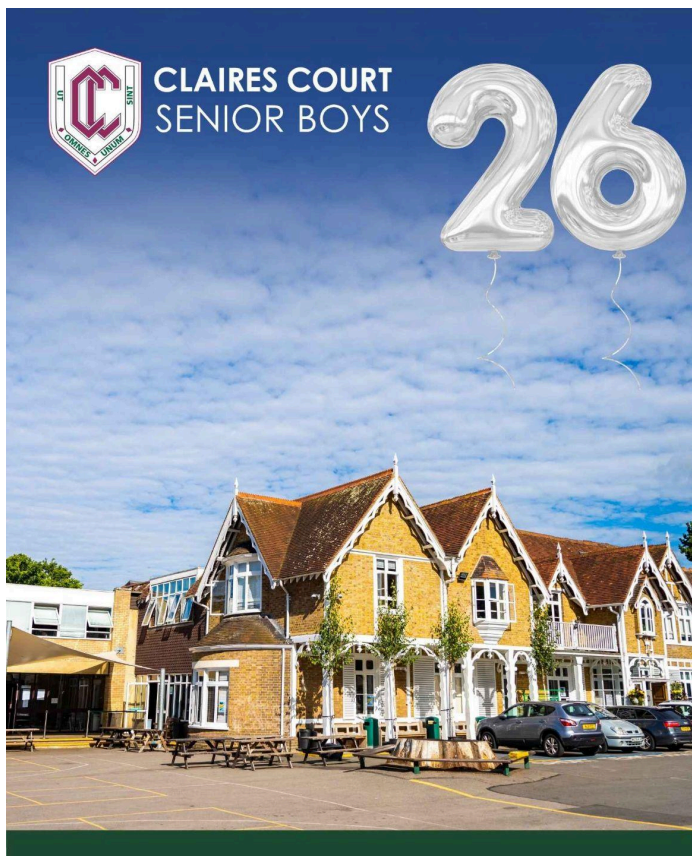
The Year 11 Form and Year Group photographs are available to purchase via [Classpicks](#) for free delivery to school if ordered by 29 April. The access code was emailed out on 23 March. We hope you will be delighted with the images and that they give you a valuable memento of your son's time in Year 11 at Claires Court Senior Boys.

Study Leave Arrangements - complete by Friday 1 May

If your son wishes to study in school at all during the week commencing w/c 5 May please complete this [Study Arrangements Form](#) **by midday Friday 1 May** so we can accommodate numbers accordingly. If your plans for the week change after submitting the form please edit your responses if it's before the midday deadline otherwise please let the office know by emailing seniorboys@clairescourt.net so we can make changes as required. Please ensure your son knows that leaving school is not permitted if you have indicated that he will be revising at school. If we are expecting him to be in a study room and he is not present we will send an email home to inform you so that you are aware and can follow it up with him. **For safeguarding purposes, all boys should sign out at Reception when they leave school.**

Year 11 Leavers Assembly - Friday 1 May

Parents are cordially invited to the Year 11 Celebration assembly at 11am on Friday 1 May. Please arrive from 10.45am for refreshments in the Sports Hall. Unfortunately there will be no parking in school due to coaches on site, so please park considerately for neighbours on the surrounding roads. Pupils should arrive in school smartly dressed at normal time and bring with them a spare white school shirt for signatures and a change of clothes for lunch and afternoon activities at Taplow Phoenix. Please complete this [Collection Form](#) **by Friday 24 April** to indicate whether you will collect your son from Taplow Phoenix between 3pm - 3.30pm or book him a seat on the coach returning to Senior Boys at 3.45pm for onward travel home.



Invitation to Year 11 Celebration Assembly

Friday 1 May 2026, 11am

Dear Parents and Guardians,
We have pleasure in inviting you to join us at Senior Boys for the Year 11 Celebration Assembly.

Arrivals for refreshments from 10.45am.

We look forward to celebrating your time with us here at Senior Boys.

Year 11 Prom - deadline to purchase tickets 1 May

The [Year 11 Prom](#) will be held at Moor Hall in Cookham (SL6 9QH) on Wednesday 24 June. Tickets are priced £25 and are now 'bookable' via the [Payment Portal](#). The **deadline to purchase tickets is Friday 1 May**, so ensure payment is received by then. Parents are invited to a drinks reception on arrival at 6.30pm. After parents depart at 7.30pm there will be dinner and a disco for pupils. Carriages 10pm, but no earlier than 9pm please.



Examination Dates & Booklet

Please find a generic copy of the [GCSE Written Examination Timetable](#) noting that all pupils need to be available all day for Contingency Day on Wednesday 24 June.

Confirmed dates for the Practical Examinations are:

- MFL Speaking Exams (German & French) - 22 April (P2/3)
- Art Exam - 23 and 24 April
- MFL Speaking Exams (Spanish & French) - 24 April (P4/5)
- PE - Monday 27 April

Please also find the [Exam Regulations Booklet](#) which we kindly ask that you read carefully as it contains important information that you will need to know for the GCSE Examination period. Please keep a copy for future reference as any questions you may have are likely to be answered within.

Year 11 Useful Links

[Revision Calendar Template](#)

[GCSE Subject Directory](#)

[Claire's Court GCSE handbook](#)

[Work Experience letter](#)

[Year 11 Drop-In Timetable](#)

TRIPS 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.

Bronze DofE Training Expeditions

Letters were shared this week for the training expeditions taking place:

- 25-26 April - [Walking](#)
- 9-10 May - [Canoe](#)

CCF Field Weekend Bramley Training Area - 25-26 April

Please find the [letter](#) emailed home before the Easter break for our Y9-13 Cadets.

CCF Annual Camp Exercise Southern Fire - 21-26 June

Please find the [letter](#) our our current Y9-13 CCF Cadets - the deadline for the payment via the Payment Portal of £50 was **Wednesday 25 March**.

Spanish Trip Open to all Year 8 to Year 10 Pupils - October Half Term

Please find a [letter](#) regarding the Spanish trip taking place Saturday 17 - Tuesday 20 October 2026.

Turkey Watersports Trip (20 - 27 October 2026)

A few spaces have become available on our October half term watersports trip to Turkey. Please find a copy of the [original letter](#) sent out in September. If you would like any further information or if your child is interested in participating please contact the Outdoor Education team via outdoored@clairescourt.net. For those already booked on the trip the payment schedule can be found in the [second letter](#).

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION



'Of the Month'

Please find our **April** ['Of the month'](#) containing interesting facts and information for your perusal! The word April originates from the Latin verb aperire ("to open"), symbolizing the blooming of flowers and trees in the Northern Hemisphere spring. It is the only month with an "i" in its name and represents a time of spring growth. April birth flowers are the Daisy and Sweet Pea which symbolise innocence, purity, true love, and bliss, perfectly representing the fresh beginnings of spring.

Accelerated Reader over the Easter Break

- Year 7 - Freddie F
- Year 8 - Alex E
- Year 9 - Rahul M

GENERAL INFORMATION

Reporting Absences

A reminder that if your son is unwell or unable to attend school due to medical/dental appointments, please let the School Office know by 9.30am on each day of absence by one of the following means (in order of preference).....

1. 'Absence Reporting' on the [Report Portal](#)
2. Email to seniorboys@clairescourt.net
3. Telephone to 01628 327600

Other absences during term time will need to be requested using the [Term Time Absence Request Form](#). Whilst we may 'approve' these absences they will invariably be recorded as 'unauthorised' due to the strict Department for Education guidelines to which we adhere.

Please find below other links that you may find useful....

- [Payment Portal](#)
- [Sports Website](#)
- [Coach Booking](#)
- [Chromebook Policy](#)
- [Claire's Court SchoolTV](#)
- [CC Administration of Medicine Request Form](#)

