



**CHELMER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 2011**



PTA NEWS

**PTA Firework Spectacular Friday 4th
November**

Fireworks fired to music, amusements and food and drink outlets including a licensed bar and barbeque.

Gates open at 6.00pm.
Fireworks fired at 8.00pm.

Tickets are available in school at BREAK time only from Weds 12th October- Fri 4th Nov (Quest Foyer in Richardson Building)

Advance prices: Adult £5 Child £3 (Aged 4 - 13). Child tickets must be accompanied by an adult.

Please join us on what promises to be another fabulous evening.

If you are able to offer any help at this event please contact Mrs Hampel at school or email jhampel@chelmer.essex.sch.uk



**Year 7 & 8 Disco Friday 18th
November**

Tickets will be available from Monday 14th November.

Please check ParentMail for more details.

Half Term

Our half term break is a little longer than usual. School finishes on Friday 21st October and resumes again on **Wednesday 2nd November** (week A).

Extreme Weather Conditions

We would like to remind parents that as winter approaches there may be times when the school has to close or possibly start later in the morning. Please see our website under 'Plans for severe weather conditions' to remind yourselves of the procedure.

**EVENING CAD/CAM
COURSES**

at

**CHELMER VALLEY HIGH
SCHOOL**

Join us every Tuesday night 5:30-7:30

Free classes suitable for all levels.

We will be using CAD packages such as Pro Desktop and 2D design.

We have lots of CAM facilities including a 3D printer, router and 3 laser cutters

These sessions are aimed at adults who wish to learn and have the opportunity to use the facilities. Pupils are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information contact Mrs Rogie –
01245 512350

crogie@chelmer.essex.sch.uk

Technology Department

Year 11

Dates for your diary: Practical pieces for the Controlled Assessment Task will need to be finished by final deadline of the 10th February 2012. The design folder will then need to be handed in by Friday 24th February 2012.

Brothers & sisters of Year 11 leavers 2011

Please remind your brother or sister to come and collect their project work from last year. Please give us 24 hours notice as some pieces are stored in our container and will need to be retrieved.

Mrs S Anderson
Head of Technology

Careers Department

Work Experience

Year 11 completed 2 weeks of work experience at the beginning of September. We have received some great feedback from the employers and teachers who visited placements. Our students were a credit to the school. Next month 50 students will be given a special certificate for an outstanding placement based on information received from the staff who visited them.

Comments from employers include:

"Shows initiative, great team player. Shame she is going back to school"

"Amazing! would offer her a job if I could"

"Fantastic, most enthusiastic and worked independently...The best student we have ever had!"

"His eagerness and willingness to work have been commendable!"

"Very good lad! Super impressed! Another level! Would be offered a job if it were possible"

"He will be a great success in an adult working environment, a very successful work placement!"

"Excellent, sociable, friendly...the best we've had in years!"

HCS certificates will be issued once students have returned their work experience journals. Employers should have completed the feedback section at the back of the booklet.

Careers Guidance

Year 11

Most Year 11 students will have completed a questionnaire about their future plans. This information has been collated and Tom Forrester our Careers Adviser is in the process of meeting with those students who have requested one. He is in school on Wednesdays and is available for drop in sessions at lunchtime on this day.

Planning your future career? Please visit <https://nextstep.direct.gov.uk/planningyourcareer/jobprofiles>



There is an Apprenticeship Fair on Thursday 3rd November at the County Cricket Ground. Open from 1pm – 4pm and 5pm – 7pm organised by the Chelmsford and Maldon Learning Partnership.

Exhibitors include: APC, Britten Partnership, DB Training, HIT Training, JHP Training, REMIT, Chelmsford Training Services, LOTA, Zenos Academy, ECC, CITB, Directions Careers Adviser, Phoenix Holistic Hair and Beauty Academy.

Please speak to Mrs Mycock or Mrs Storer if you are interested.

Mrs S Storer
Careers Coordinator

'What do I want to be when I am older' talks will be taking place half termly.

Information on each talk will be sent via ParentMail and for students via the registers.

This term's talk was about Mr Hannan's experiences at the NASA Space Camp, USA

'I want to be an Astronaut' Wednesday 12th October

"Thank you to all the students, teachers and parents who attended. It was great to see so many students from year 7 up to year 13. I honestly thought that by this point people would be sick of hearing me talk about 'Space Camp' but I was obviously wrong! The enthusiasm and enjoyment I was met by astounded me, especially with all the questions.

It is exciting for the field of Physics and Astronomy that so many young people are interested and excited about this topic. I hope I am able to organise a trip to space camp so that our students can experience this wonderful event for themselves.

It was a great opportunity for me to share my experiences with you and I look forward to the future career talks" *Mr Hannan.*



Sixth Form

Five Year 13 students raised £230 for Farleigh Hospice.

Lauren Dinnes, Kelly Townsend, Claire Harker, Emily Hunt and Louise Chick raised money by washing cars parked at the school by cyclists taking part in the 'Farleigh Cycle for Life' event in September and also by coming into school on a staff training day and washing the teacher's cars.

Well done girls!

Miss V Lucas
Head of Sixth Form

Art Department

Chelmsford Borough Council's Arts Trail took place recently and this year was curated and successfully organised by The 'Shiny' Shed.

Gepp & Sons were delighted to host an A Level Student Art Exhibition within their meeting room and foyer area and all week they received wonderful feedback from clients and business contacts, who visited and viewed the student's work, along with the people taking part in the Chelmsford Arts Trail.

The standard and creativity of the work displayed was above and beyond all expectations and they were extremely proud to be associated with the 6 local secondary schools that took part and wish to thank their young and talented students for allowing them to exhibit their work.

On Friday 16th September, a reception was held in the offices of Gepp and Sons who were delighted at the number of Head Teachers, Head of Art, teaching staff, students and parents who attended. Steven Payne, Managing Partner and Edward Worthy, Partner of Gepp & Sons, judged the Student Exhibition and announced the winners.

1st Place Alexandra Wharfe (Year 13) from Chelmer Valley High School



'Curves'

"The competition was tremendously difficult to judge as the standard and quality of the work was exceptionally high. We wish to thank all the students that took part and wish them well for their future" *Gepp & Sons.*

Mrs J Watson
Head of Art



Five students and a member of staff from Chelmer Valley were recently presented with a Jack Petchey Achievement Award at a ceremony held at the Civic Theatre, Chelmsford. They were nominated by the students and staff at the school for their courage, determination and dedication.

CONGRATULATIONS to Millie Allen, Grace Jobson, Aiden Moore, Sophie Thomas, Amy Petts and Mr Mick Ford for his outstanding contribution to the Blue Falcons for the last 35years. Well done!

Science Department

Science Revision Timetable (3.20pm-4.20pm)

Year 10

Biology

Topic 1 Wed Miss Steele in N27
Topic 2 Thurs Mrs Pledger in N28
Topic 3 Frid Mr Hyde in O15

Year 11

Physics

P2 Wed Mr Harper in C2
P2 Thurs Mrs Fox in N27
P1a Mon Mr Scammells in C3

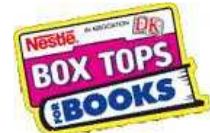
Biology

B2 Tues Mr Morgan in O13
B1a Frid Mrs Godfrey in O14

Chemistry

C1a Wed Mr Henson in N31
C2 Please see Mrs Mycock

Please note: Year 11 Practice papers are available on Frog.



Vouchers

We are collecting Morrisons 'Let's Grow' vouchers for Little Waltham Primary school, so if you have any you would like to donate please send them in to school. The collection box is situated in the library.

We are still collecting 'Nestle Box Tops for Books' for our library, please hand in to the library.

Thank you.

Mrs Key
Library Manager



Media Club



Do you enjoy watching films?

Ever dreamt of being a filmmaker?

Want to help make those dreams reality?

Come along to Media Club on Tuesday Lunchtimes in the Media Room starting after half term.

For more information see Miss Peacock

Drama Department



The standard of auditions was incredibly high this year, and due to the fantastic talent we have in the school we have had to double cast some parts in order to show our talent off!
Well done to all who auditioned!

CAST LIST

CHARACTER	NAME
Joe (2 nights)	Joe Pitt
Joe (2 nights)	Ben Seager
Sarah (2 nights)	Harriet Stedman
Sarah (2 nights)	Louise Chick
Billie (2 nights)	Delma Barroso
Billie (2 nights)	Megan Donnelly
Angie (2 nights)	Elise Morris
Angie (2 nights)	Amy Stoner
Lewis	Dave Ball
Emmo	Sam Hicks
Joe's Dad	Jack Hathaway
Kath (Joe's Mum) (2 nights)	Clare Tolliday
Kath (Joe's Mum) (2 nights)	Olivia Howard
Recey	Connar Ridd
Mr Pressman	George Dodd
Joe's Solicitor	Abbey Tredget
Council Solicitor	Sophie Thomas
Magistrate	Gemma Reynolds
Youth Custody Officer	Dominique Sayer-Jones
Mrs Jesmond – Teacher	Alicia Hawthorne
Ray – A Car Wash Manager	Jordan Knight
Aunt	Megan Williams
Shabby Uncle	Matthew Savvides
Security Guard	Ellen Staines
Grandad	Jake Moore
Dog Man	Josh Card-Gowers
Clown	Rebecca Murden
Heather – Businesswoman	Amber Barnes
London Alarms Boss	Katy Edwards
Car Salesman	Sam Knight

Callum – A dashing student	Nick Frost
Copper 1	Jordan Knight
Copper 2	Josh Card-Gowers
Copper 3	Hannah Greenland
Policeman	Christina Neve
Gondola woman	Amy Coster
Mrs Pressman	Emma Hope
Priest	Alicia Hawthorne
Julie – The Receptionist	Danielle Ellis
Clerk	Olivia Saltmarsh
Barrister	Hannah James
Harper	Isabel Jillings
Smith	Jade Flack
Massey	Sophie Rickett
Small Time Lawyer	Lou McLeod
Stallholder 1	Mackenzie Dougal
Stallholder 2	Varsha Ravi
Stallholder 3	Eleanor Churchman
Stallholder 4	Issy Sexton

ENSEMBLE

(School kids, Relatives of Joe, Security Guards, Prisoners, Sales Reps, Police, Stallholders, Marketeers)

Amber Barnes	Jake Moore
Olivia Calver	Rebecca Murden
Josh Card-Gowers	Christina Neve
Eleanor Churchman	Varsha Ravi
Amy Coster	Gemma Reynolds
Mackenzie Dougal	Chantelle Riches
Katy Edwards	Kristin Richie
Danielle Ellis	Sophie Rickett
Jade Flack	Olivia Saltmarsh
Nick Frost	Matthew Savvides
Amy Gordon	Dominique Sayer-Jones
Hannah Greenland	Issy Sexton
Alicia Hawthorne	Ellen Staines
Emma Hope	Sophie Thomas
Hannah James	Abbey Tredget
Isabel Jillings	Daisy Vass
Jordan Knight	Megan Williams
Sam Knight	Georgia Wilks
Lou McLeod	

The first rehearsal for ALL principals (the characters) will take place on

**Friday 4th November 2011 from 3.20pm
until 5.30pm**

The first rehearsal for Ensemble and smaller parts will take place on

**Tuesday 8th November 3.20pm until
4.30pm**

Thank you and WELL DONE!

Miss G Peacock &
Miss J Dennis



DRAMA CLUB

The first day back after half term
Wednesday 2nd November
Drama Club will resume. We will be working
towards a performance at Christmas.

Mr N Bell

Maths Department

Year 11 Maths Exams

The students in Mr Gordon's Year 11 class
will be taking their third Module on the
afternoon of Wednesday 9th November and
the morning of Monday 14th November.

Good luck!

Mrs C Robbins
Head of Maths

NOVEMBER KEY DIARY DATES

Thursday 3rd November - Year 7 Meet the
Tutor Evening

Friday 4th November - Firework Spectacular

Friday 18th November - Year 7 & 8 Disco

Thursday 24th November - Year 10 Parent
Consultation Evening

**All school calendar dates can be found on
the school website
chelmervalleyhighschool.co.uk**



BLUE FALCONS

Want to be a part of a Guinness
World Record team, who train
weekly?

Attend on

Wednesday 2nd November

at

7pm in the school gym.

Come in your PE kit and bring £1

We perform at local school fetes,
carnivals and big military events.

Go to **www.bluefalcons.org.uk** for
more information.