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# The Swan

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## Headteacher's Introduction:

We have reached late Spring and the weather has such a big impact on student wellbeing. It is lovely to see the students sitting out together on the field enjoying the sunshine. The warmer and longer days have led to a flurry of Duke of Edinburgh visits with all students attending practice expeditions. This would not be possible without the dedication of our volunteers. We have the largest number of students taking the Dukes of Edinburgh Award in the area with 110 students taking the Bronze Award alone.

In April we welcomed a huge variety of employers into the school to attend the careers fair. All students had the opportunity to visit and ask questions and many came away with new ideas for their future careers. We also welcomed residents from the local care home to enjoy afternoon tea, company and music with our students. It was a great opportunity to share stories and share a connection between the generations.

May is such a busy time for the school with external examinations starting earlier every year. I wish both Year 11 and 13 students the very best. The examinations are a huge undertaking for the school and thank you to all students as their attitude and behaviour have been exemplary. I always get nervous when looking at staff predictions, but the indications are that we are looking at some very strong results for the school again this summer, at both GCSE and A level.

Ofsted inspected the school on 8th and 9th May and the school looked excellent. Student behaviour was exemplary during the inspection and we were well supported by a strong parent and carer response to the Ofsted survey. I am expecting a draft report in the next few weeks and I look forward to sharing the full report with you at the end of June.

The building work is progressing well and we hope to have the new classrooms ready for August. We have also finalised our plans to update the sixth-form common room and create additional study facilities. Year 11 will also have its own dedicated dining room from September. All this building work will lead to some disruption in June as we will have to close some areas of the school. We are also in the process of renewing the tender for the catering contract. I will let you know the outcome and the impacts of this change in the next Swan.

Looking ahead we have futures week planned with visits to Snowdonia, Alton Towers and Chester Zoo planned. I mentioned in the last edition that the school is having to manage the budget very carefully at the moment as the amount of money we receive is falling in relative terms. To make these visits viable we are dependent on a large majority of parents and carers making voluntary contributions towards the visits. I would ask that if you are able to make a contribution please do so as this ensures that we are able to keep offering these great opportunities.

Thank you to all the staff and students who have contributed to this edition of The Swan and I hope you enjoy reading it.

Mr Smith



## Mobile Phones in School

A couple of weeks ago I saw something I'd not seen in a school for many years. Being a child of the 80s I experienced the many latest 'crazes' at school including the Rubik's cube; here it was, making a return.



I enjoyed chatting with the small group of boys, standing in the dinner queue and challenging each other to solve the puzzle. One boy had us all in awe as he readily twisted and turned the cube to completion. Personally, I never got beyond managing to complete two sides. The very same lunch time, I walked into the Dining Hall to see a group of boys playing Top Trumps. My own children had so many packs of these and they still make an appearance on camping holidays.

Our final Summer half-term will see the arrival of the mobile phone ban. Whilst some students may see this as a negative, I know many of you support this decision and welcome the new policy. My hope is that I will start to see more Rubik's cubes and Top Trumps at lunchtime, maybe alongside noses in books rather than gaming on phones and who knows, even some conversations.

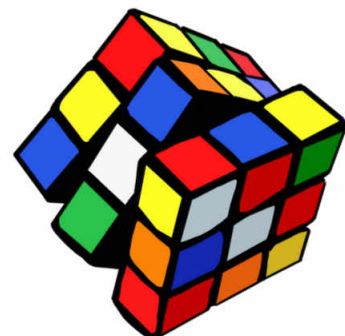
We recently had a panel of eight Year 7 and Year 9 students at our Governor's Pastoral Meeting. I was pleasantly surprised to find that all students were in favour of the ban. One boy talked about some students hiding phones behind computer screens or even books whilst reading; another talked about the distraction of students wanting to 'check' phones during lessons. All agreed that a clear policy on phones will be helpful and benefit lessons. The next message was, please be consistent and make sure everyone sticks to the rules.

Why has the Government decided to ask schools to ban or heavily restrict the use of phones in schools? One in three secondary school pupils has reported that mobile phones are used in most lessons without permission.....

One in five pupils has experienced online bullying ...one in ten pupils cite making and maintaining friendships and their mental health as a cause of worry, anxiety and depression. (Mobile phones in schools - February 2024 (publishing.service.gov.uk))

As a school, we have participated in the DfE's Education for Wellbeing research programme and we agree that the removal of mobile phones from school will be of great benefit to students. My hope is that our 'never used, never seen, never heard' approach, will help and support our students to develop social skills, it will enable them to be more focused in lessons and it will help them stay safe as we reduce the opportunities for online activity.

Mrs Lister  
Pastoral Deputy Head Teacher



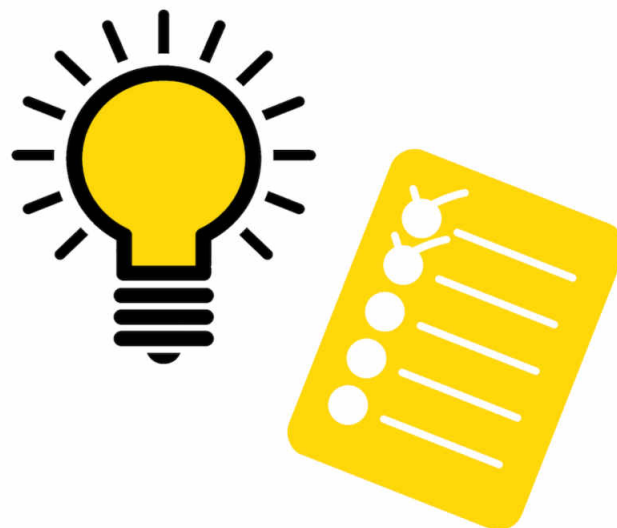
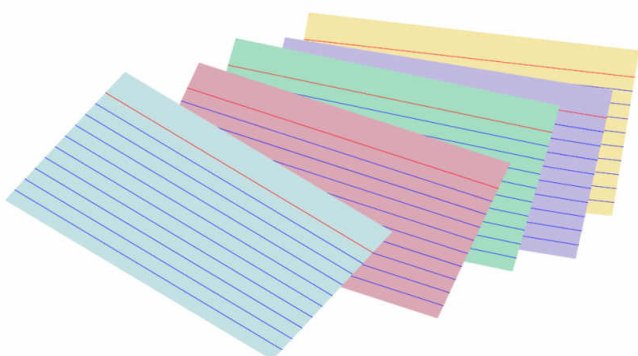
# Improving Student LEARNING HABITS



At the start of the year, feedback from students informed us that students across all year groups would value and appreciate greater support in learning how to revise and prepare for assessments. Retrieval and revision skills fall under our KASH assessment criteria within Learning Habits. We set out to lead Christleton students on a learning habits revision revolution!

Working closely with Helen Howell, author of 'Revision Revolution', we have listened to student and staff feedback to take steps to explicitly teach students how to revise effectively. These have included:

- Learning Habits Assemblies to all students, presented by Mrs Roberts
- Appointment of a Learning Habits Lead, Mrs O'Malley, Head of MFL
- Learning Habits Workshops for Years 11 and 13
- Year 11 Learning Habits Parent Carer guide shared with families
- Form Time Learning Habits programme delivered to students across all year groups



All form tutors started to deliver Learning Habits sessions during form time in the Summer Term. There are 5 sessions in total, covering key areas of Learning Habits, including:

- Debunking revision (what is revision)
- Brain Dumps
- Self-quizzing
- Making and using flashcards
- How we learn

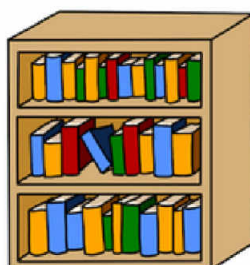
Why not start a conversation at home and ask your child to explain one of these techniques to you?

Mrs Roberts & Mrs O'Malley

## Working Memory



## Long-Term Memory



@megarazuli

## Ski Trip to Madisamo, Italy

During the Easter break, students from all year groups participated in a ski trip to Madisamo for 6 days, with 5 days dedicated to skiing.

One of the attendees summarized their experience: "I really enjoyed the ski trip because the slopes and overall skiing experience were very enjoyable. We spent the first day warming up, but by the last few days, we were doing black runs, red runs, and fun jumps at the snow park, through the woods, and going off-piste. It was great having an instructor because he knew all of the secret paths and was able to refine our ski skills. I also enjoyed the evening activities such as the disco and quiz night, but my favourite was the snowshoeing."gh the woods and going off-piste. It was great having an instructor because he knew all of the secret paths and was able to refine our ski skills. I also enjoyed the activities at night like the disco and quiz night but my favourite was the snowshoeing".



## Oracy Competition

Laura Yeo and I entered the Gresham College Oracy Competition, with over 400 applicants. Although, sadly, we did not win, we were kindly invited on an all-expenses paid trip to London. Ms Kippax considerately offered to join and take us. This invite included a lecture by a Professor of Astrophysics from the University of Oxford, Chris Lintott, who is also Gresham College's Professor of Astronomy.

Gresham is London's oldest Higher Education institute and was founded in 1597, they have been providing free lectures within the City of London for over 400 years.

The Kohn Award astrologist and long-time co-presenter of The Sky at Night Professor Lintott gave a lecture called "It's Never Aliens" where we learnt about how astronomers discover new planets. We also learnt about different features of space and the strange phenomena that sometimes occur in stars and other galaxies. Throughout his lecture, Professor Lintott also went through the techniques he was using to deliver his speech. This was done in order to also help the audience with their oracy skills in the future.

We then spent time sightseeing around London. Firstly, we visited the British Museum, which houses over an astonishing 8 million works from all around the world. Afterwards, we walked to Covent Garden and watched a street performance by an opera singer. Then, we visited the National Portrait Museum, arguably the first national public gallery that was solely dedicated to housing portraits, where we enjoyed looking at the paintings of the Tudors, people Laura and I will be studying in History A-Level. Finally, we proceeded to Trafalgar Square, where we admired the fountain and the surroundings, amid the hustle and bustle. After a stroll by the river, it was time to head home.

**Laura Yeo 12.7 and Lilia Ziar 12.7**



## From CHS GCSE Food Student to Pastry Chef

It is always lovely to hear how students progress when they leave our school.

Charlotte Rewhorn (CHS 2016-2023) has been in touch to update us with how she has progressed since doing her GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition. We are so proud of her and delighted with the fantastic food that she is creating. This is what she had to say.....

"I have always been interested in baking, often doing requests for birthdays and other celebrations. Food lessons in school allowed me to increase my everyday kitchen skills and benefited me with my time management. Whenever I went abroad in Europe, I tried to visit as many artisan patisseries as possible. They fascinated me, especially in France.

On researching places to study I found l'Ecole Ducasse (ENSP) in France. It is recognised as the best in Europe. I went through two interviews, demonstrating my passion with pictures of my work and research. I came to Yssingaux France in February 2024. I have loved every minute of it and would recommend to anyone passionate in this field.



Follow Charlotte's baking journey on Instagram @rewbakes

## Humming Bird Project



Year 7 have been taking part in the Hummingbird project this half term. These sessions are designed to equip students with greater understanding about mental wellbeing including how to recognise emotions and strategies to manage difficult situations. Students will practice mindfulness techniques and develop their awareness of how to recognise the signs of poor mental wellbeing in themselves and others.

## Art Sketch Book Winners

### Year 7 - 1st

Iyas Amoudi 7By1

Millie Hooper 7L1

### Year 7 - 2nd

Isabelle Hughes 7By1

Adam Alsaadi 7By2

### Year 7 - 3rd

Mary Martin 7L2

Chanidu Huruggamua 7K2

### Year 8 - 1st

Imogen Loftus 8L2

Felix Holm 8By2

### Year 8 - 2nd

IMonica Wan 8Ba2

Charlie Kerr 8L2

### Year 8 - 3rd

Michael Minghella 8By2

Faye Thomas 8By2

### Year 9 - 1st

Alfie Morgan 9Ba2

Leila Jackson 9L1

### Year 9 - 2nd

IMolly-Skye Hover 9Ba2

Moses Chan 9L2

### Year 9 - 3rd

Zoe Xiong 9Ba1

Ben Rustom 9K2

## Y7 Signboard Photography Competition

1st - Ava Parkinson

2nd - Ben Ellison

3rd - Leonie Ansel

*The last sketchbook competition of this year is coming soon in KS3 - will you be in the mix?!*

## RS Competition

After the success of the RS Department's 'My Culture Through My Eyes' competition, RS Hot Scholars have launched their own!

Our Year 8 RS Hot Scholars have recently launched a 3D art competition. The aim is to create a 3D piece of art that represents a religious holiday of your choice.

When devising the competition, the scholars were keen to focus on creativity and sustainability - which is why those who enter are encouraged to make their artwork from things they may find around the house. This is an exciting opportunity to explore some really interesting religious/spiritual festivals and highlight the beauty and diversity of the world we live in.

The competition is due to close on Monday 10th June, perfect timing for those who may want a half-term project!!

For those who wish to enter, please deliver your entries to Miss Oxton in Room 22... prizes to be won!

## Celebrating our English Teachers

As a school, we are fortunate to have some very experienced and talented teachers. We are delighted that Chisleton staff have been invited to teach at our local universities.

Mrs Cutler has been teaching Sociology modules at Chester University and working with the Secondary School teacher training department visiting schools to assess how trainee teachers are performing.

Ms Kippax has also been lecturing at Chester University on the Secondary School teacher training course for English teachers. We recently hosted the trainee students for a day so that they could learn more about A-Level teaching. It is great that we have staff of this calibre and that the universities want to use their expertise



Mr Simpson is teaching Screenwriting on the Master's course at Liverpool University. His skill in creative writing has already been recognised; outside of CHS, he is a Royal Television Society Award-winning screenwriter. His TV drama, *One More Unfortunate*, was short-listed for the Red Planet Prize. The subsequent stage adaptation was performed nationwide. His next play, *Saved by the Bell Jar*, was shortlisted for the Bruntwood International Prize for Playwriting and is in development with BBC Radio Drama North and the Liverpool Everyman. He has penned episodes for continuing dramas across multiple platforms and has written for Jimmy McGovern's *MOVING ON* for BBC1. He's written extensively for the Guardian and worked with both the Guardian and Faber on *The Secret Teacher Book*. Mr Simpson is currently writing for the much-acclaimed *Waterloo Road* (BBC1) and *Hollyoaks* (C4, E4) as well as working on original projects and a new, Liverpool-based Netflix drama. Our A-Level students in particular benefit from his expertise when they do the Original Writing module of A-level Language coursework.



## Urban Plan Workshop

Students in Year 12 had the opportunity to take part in a five-hour Urban Plan Workshop Event which took place in early November.

This event was a great opportunity for anyone interested in a future career in Architecture, Planning, Finance, Marketing, or Environmental Management, as well as providing useful material for students of Geography (e.g. Regenerating Places) and Business Studies (e.g. Budgeting, Costs and Investment Decisions).

The 20 students involved were mostly Geography and Business Studies students but also included some other sixth former interested in these career areas. They were able to work as members of five different property development companies to create and present tender proposals for redeveloping a city centre site.

A team of facilitators and industry experts were on hand to help students understand the many complex factors, often in tension with one another, which shaped their creative and financial response to the tender brief. The event culminated with each of the five teams giving a formal presentation to a panel of industry professionals.

Many thanks to the Urban Plan team for providing such a fantastic opportunity for our sixth-form students.



(L - R) Phoebe Gruber, Hannah Heydon, Ben Miller, Hannah Dodd, Sophie Taylor, Oliver Taylor

## Celebrating the Christleton '5Cs'

We recognise it is important to celebrate our students not only in their academic performance but also in how students demonstrate our 5Cs on a daily basis. These values uphold our school ethos and we believe are extremely important in contributing to a happy, hardworking and caring environment.

In order to celebrate our students over the last half term, we asked form tutors to nominate 5 students in their form who have demonstrated one of these values. This was by no means an easy task and each student was rewarded with a certificate. HOYs were then given the opportunity to award easter eggs to the top 10 students in each year group.

Next half term we will be having our final Golden Ticket of the academic year, with the focus being on learning habits which we have been working hard on this term. There will be lots of exciting prizes up for grabs!

## European Youth Parliament UK debating competition

On Wednesday 6th March, seven hopeful and expectant Year 12 students set off to Sir John Rigby College, Wigan, for the North West qualifier for the EYPUK debating competition. The team, consisting of Chloe Makinson, Phoebe Gruber, Douglas Parkinson, Oliver Maclaren, Ben Miller and Maisie Maddison conducting themselves superbly throughout the day.

They handled the challenge of debates on topics as diverse as the environment, healthcare, education and transport maturely and effectively. The team were particularly praised by the judges for their comradery with the other schools and then detailed and in depth preparation.

I would like to commend all those who took part and to reiterate how proud the History and Politics department were to support such bright and personable students.

## Year 12 Students are Top Fundraisers in 10K Race for Life

An amazing achievement for Charlotte Lea Claudia Burbedge, Ella Claessen, Anna Beachamp, Lauren Reynoldson, Callie Evans and Elinor Vidamour, who have raised an incredible total of £5870 so far for Cancer Research. Charlotte has undertaken this challenge whilst going through treatment for cancer - she is an absolute role model to us all.

To top it off, Charlotte was the top fundraiser in the event and the team was the top fundraising team overall. A huge well done to all of them.

## Charlotte's story...

"I was diagnosed with cancer (Hodgkin's lymphoma) in December 2023, and while I am not at the end of recovery just yet I desperately wanted to give back to such an amazing charity.

Despite receiving intense chemotherapy treatment for the past 4 months I have still kept running a massive part of my life and have managed to get out almost every day with friends and family who will run alongside me.

Although this journey has been hard, it makes doing things like this even more rewarding and I'm excited to cross this next milestone"

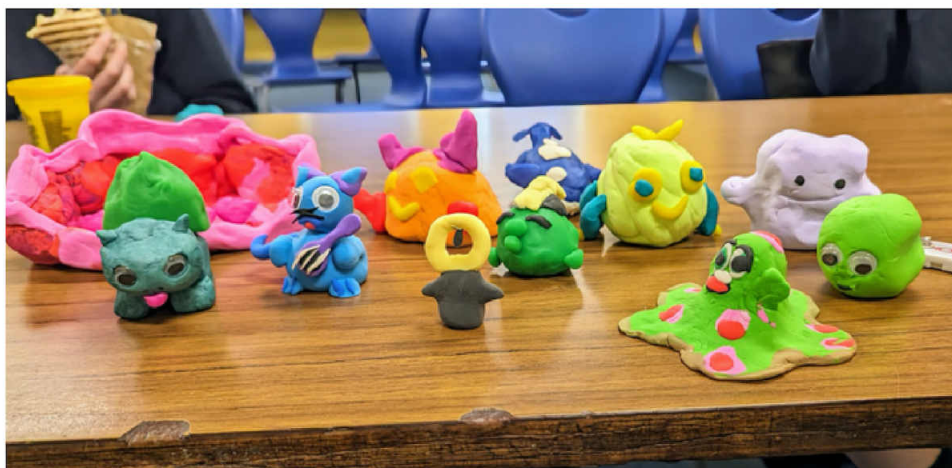
**Charlotte's next 5k race for charity is on the 22nd of June, you can sponsor her here:**  
<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/charlottes-race-for-life-211007037158>



## Pokémon club

Mrs Forsey's Pokémon club held a competition to create new or existing Pokémon using clay. Here are the results. Which one is your favourite?

The Pokémon club meets every Monday week B at 12:25 in room 32. Years 7-9.





## Year 13 Chemistry - Chester University trip

On Tuesday 26th March 2024, Year 13 Chemistry students visited Chester University to learn about and use their spectroscopy equipment. Students were able to extract, isolate and sample the components of a painkiller using Thin Layer Chromatography which allowed students to identify the main chemicals that are found in painkiller medication.

Students then got the opportunity to use the Infrared Spectrometer to produce a range of spectra which they could then use to identify unknown organic compounds. This allowed students to link this hands-on experience with their knowledge and learning from lessons.



The whole day gave students the opportunity to work in a high specification scientific laboratory and use equipment that they don't have access to in schools.



## UKMT Maths Challenge

The marvellous mathematicians have been at the UKMT maths challenges again. The intermediate challenge was beaten by Esme Ward, Dewi Smalldon, and Hermes Chiang, who all achieved the best in their years and qualified for the much more challenging second round!

The Junior challenge was defeated by Jamie Thomas and Scarlett Roberts, who have qualified for the follow-up round that takes place in June, and a special mention to James Skinner who achieved the best in his year.

We have had 218 of the most fabulous students take part and each and every one has done an amazing job!



## Year 12 Bank of England Seminar

Year 12 Economics, Business and Politics students had the opportunity to attend a seminar with Victoria Cleland, Executive Payment for the Bank of England. This seminar gave students and insight into the role of the Bank of England and potential future financial careers. Many of our students are hoping to go into roles within these areas and had the opportunity to ask questions and gain some invaluable advice.



**Bank of England**

## Saying Goodbye to Year 11

This half term we said goodbye and good luck to our Year 11 students, these photographs were all taken for the Year Book.



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11BY1



11LA2



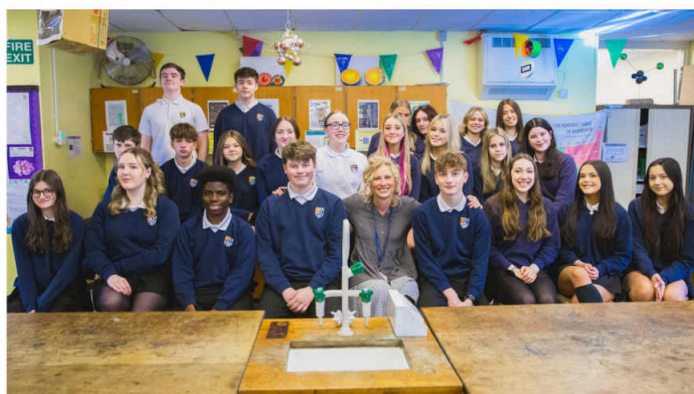
11KE1



11KE2



11LA1



11BY2



11BA1

# Good Luck!

## The Cheshire Schools' Book Awards

The Cheshire Schools' Book Awards was held at Winsford Academy, celebrating teenage fiction and the community of school reading groups. The award is entirely student-led, with students nominating and voting for their favourite books. The nominees this year ranged from teen drama to high-concept science fiction, sparking the interest of every type and age of reader.

Each year, the shortlist is revealed at a special in-person author event where schools are invited to attend to meet the authors and become inspired by their writing journeys. Our students had the opportunity to have their books signed by the shortlisted authors and listen to new upcoming titles from the shortlisted authors.

Most excitingly, they were able to absorb the precious words of wisdom and hard won experience from these inspiring authors. We listened avidly to their fascinating tales of inspiration and authorship. From Josh Stone, a Mental Health Nurse and author of the dark dystopian 'Happy Head', to the deeply personal tale of 'When I See Blue', inspired by the author's own experience of OCD, there truly was something for everyone and a great demonstration that a writer can both take inspiration from the world around them and create whole new worlds.



The winner of the younger age category was 'Tyger' by SF Said - a fantastical narrative set in a strange alternate world where a young boy called Adam uncovers something incredible in a rubbish dump - a mythical animal.

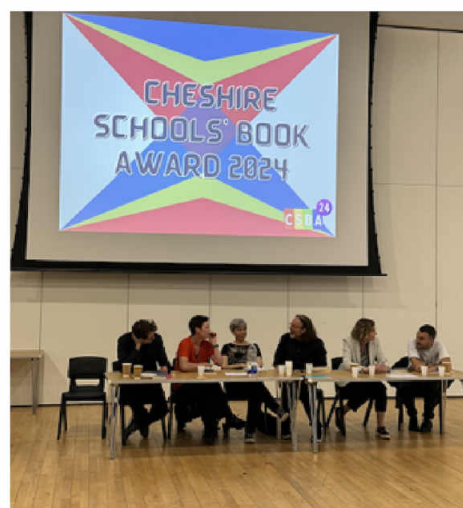


The winner of the older age category - to much applause and celebration - was 'Happy Head' by Josh Silver, a thrilling, thought-provoking new series set in a dystopian future far too similar to our own where there is a national crisis of teenage unhappiness. The onsite bookshop almost sold out of the eye-catching winner, with its distinctive yellow cover - even Ms Russell grabbed a copy!

We cannot wait to introduce these books to our KS3 and KS4 students, and look forward to next year with bated breath!

An extra note of celebration was brought in by two of our students who attended: Molly Wels and Scarlett Roberts are soon to become published writers themselves! Both have been selected by Young Writers to be published in a poetry anthology this June called 'Through Their Eyes.' Congratulations!

Miss Wimbush



## Science Week

During Science Week earlier this year, All Y7 and Y8 classes took part in a science investigation where they planned and carried out a full scientific experiment.

Students worked in groups to develop a practical method, identify variables, and complete a risk assessment before carrying out their own independent investigations. After the groups recorded their results, they needed to analyse their results, draw conclusions, and evaluate their experiment which are all essential skills needed within Science. Each group then presented their results in a poster to summarise their findings.

Experiments ranged from 'Fizzy Rockets' to 'Helicopters'.

A winning group was identified in each form class with an overall winner chosen from all of Y7 and Y8.

The winning group was Elsie, Ruby, Isabelle and Nancy from 8Ke2.



Congratulations to all the girls for a fantastic experiment and excellent practical write-up.

Mrs Watson

## Careers Fair 2024

What an exciting day for careers! We were lucky enough to have a range of employers attend Christleton for the whole day to allow all pupils the opportunity to find out more about what different careers sectors are about, what careers journeys the employers took and build our pupils aspirations for the future.



The event had employers from a range of sectors including the police, the navy, the NHS, Cheshire council, universities/colleges and so many more! We would like to say a massive thank you to all of those employers who took part - it wouldn't happen without you!

Mrs Lawson



## Sixth Form Leadership Team

We are delighted to announce the formation of the new Student Leadership Team. Students applied with a written application in the first instance and the quality was fantastic. Aspiring Head Students then had to create an election video and present to all staff before elections took place. As voted for by staff and pupils, the new Student Leaders are:



***Our new Student Leadership Team  
(L - R - Louis, Grace, Elsie, Charles)***

### Head Student - Louis Geraghy

I'm currently studying Maths, Further Maths, Chemistry and Physics, with the hope of studying mechanical engineering at



university. I joined Christleton at the start of this year and have thoroughly enjoyed my time here so far. Everyone has been so welcoming, and I already feel at home. I'm honoured to have been selected as head boy, and I'm excited to work with Elsie and the rest of the leadership team over the course of the next year. I look forward to having a positive impact on the school as a whole and have many ideas of how I will go about doing this. I'd like to be someone who students feel comfortable sharing their ideas with, no matter how bizarre! As a new student, I am genuinely thrilled to have been given this opportunity, and I hope that I can meet as many new faces as possible during my time as head boy.

I am friendly and approachable so don't be afraid to ask me any questions if you see me around school. I promise to do my best to make sure every student's voice is heard, so that we can make Christleton a better place for all.

### Head Student - Elsie Nield

Hi, my name is Elsie and I started my time here at Christleton back in Year 7. Ever since, I have been an enthusiastic



and confident student; through these traits I aspire to be a voice on behalf of our brilliant student body - listening and voicing everyone's thoughts and feelings, providing support for every individual. I have previously represented Christleton through both our football and netball teams, having recently been elected for Head Girl, I am eager to continue representing our school with a positive can-do attitude! Currently, I am studying Business Studies, Psychology and Economics, all subjects which promote critical thinking - a skill I'll bring into my role as Head Girl alongside my passion for teamwork! I am dedicated to being a fully committed, effective and reliable Head Girl where students view me as an approachable and friendly individual who they can trust to listen and dedicate time to for their needs. Together with Louis and the leadership team we will certainly provide a comfortable and fun environment where no one goes unheard. I can't wait to implement all our ideas to create a dynamic in the school that promotes positivity and ambition within students; it is an exciting year ahead!



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**Deputy Head Student - Grace Monaghan**

I am currently studying History, English Literature and Drama here at Christleton Sixth Form. Having recently been elected Deputy Head Girl, I couldn't be happier to begin



representing our school and bringing our ideas to life! Since starting here in Year 7, I have embraced many aspects of school life. These include being involved in our well-known and amazing school musical productions, running KS3 drama club 'Reach', as well as being a mentor to younger students and I have overall really enjoyed these opportunities. I have always felt that this school is effective at providing a nurturing environment where we can succeed and I believe our leadership team can continue this. I aspire to be approachable to all students and hope most would feel comfortable to come to me with any concerns. Together alongside the rest of the leadership team, I am very excited to help create the best Sixth Form experience.

**Deputy Head Student - Charles Mansfield-Corbett**

I'm currently studying physics, spanish and maths. I am absolutely delighted to represent Christleton High School as deputy head boy. I have a deep rooted ambition to make this school



as good as it can be and feel like I can really make a positive change to the current school environment. Having been at this school since 2018, I understand the ethos and ambitions of the school community and believe this will aid me in the role. I have previously represented the school on stage in the school shows and for Young Enterprise, these previous experiences mean I am confident that I can continue to represent the school in a positive way. I feel like this is the perfect next step for me and I am grateful for this opportunity.

**UCAS**

Year 13 have been very successful with their university applications this year. With 110 applications to university, it has certainly been a busy one. The applications were of a very high standard and I'm thrilled to say all of our students have received at least one offer with most receiving many.

Students are currently deciding on which universities to set as their firm and insurance choice. Members of the Medical Association of Christleton High (MACH) have done particularly well with 3 students being offered a place on highly competitive medicine placements and 2 on dentistry courses.

Student offers range from Ancient and Modern History at the University of Oxford to Earth and Planetary Sciences and the University of Manchester. Many of our students are also going down the work or apprenticeship route with applications being sent to companies such as Airbus, BT and Rolls Royce.

It is a very exciting time and we look forward to hearing how they all get on in their chosen next steps. I have no doubt they will be amazing!

Mr Rose



## Sports News - The 2024 Cook Cup

You may not know that the blue statue and two benches at the front of the school were erected in memory of Tristan Cook and Dominic Arnold, two beloved year 12 students who tragically died in a car accident in 2006.

CHS holds the Cook Cup each year, an annual sports competition between Year 12 and Year 13, in memory of Tristan, who was a keen sportsman. This year, the new 3-part Cook Cup was introduced.

Last term, the girls kicked off the competition with a closely contested netball match, which ended 22-21 in favor of Year 12.

The second round of The Cook Cup featured an intense dodgeball competition between the students of Year 12 and Year 13.

The atmosphere was electric as both teams engaged in three highly competitive and entertaining games. The Year 12 team demonstrated exceptional skill and determination, ultimately securing a hard-fought 2-1 victory over their opponents from Year 13.



The third and final round saw Year 12 and 13 go up against each other in a football match.



Well done to all the lads for a great game of football and for the sportsmanship you showed. An amazing final effort from both years but Year 12 took the win with a final score of 2-0



Thank you to all of our spectators for your generous donations towards the Brake Road Safety Charity. A huge thank you to the Cook family for your incredible support and dedication to spreading awareness to our students and community.

Well done to all who competed and thank you to our supporters!

**The winners are ... Year 12!!**



## PE Summer Clubs

CHRISTLETON HIGH PE




**RUNNING CLUB**

EVERY FRIDAY MORNING - 7:30 am

**START THE DAY THE RIGHT WAY!**

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!  
- MEET BY THE PE CHANGING ROOMS -

CHRISTLETON HIGH PE



**ROUNDERS CLUB**


EVERY THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL

ALL YEARS!

(After school 3pm - 4pm)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!  
-MEET IN PE-

CHRISTLETON HIGH PE



**ATHLETICS CLUB**

- TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL -

3pm - 4pm

ALL YEARS!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!  
-MEET IN PE-

CHRISTLETON HIGH PE



**CRICKET CLUB**

EVERY MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL

GIRLS AND BOYS - ALL AGES WELCOME!

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!  
- MEET BY THE PE CHANGING ROOMS -



## CHS School Nurse

Laura Duffy is Christleton High's School nurse. She attends school on a monthly basis, offering a drop in service where appointments can be made with pastoral support, to see young people who have concerns regarding their physical or emotional health. Visit the link below to find out more information and drop in dates <https://www.startingwell.org.uk/secondary>

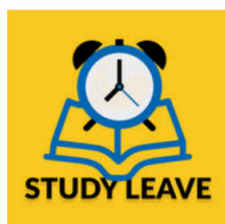
A CHAT health service is also available, where students can text in and get support/advice from a school nurse.

ChatHealth for Young People only - Text any questions around your health and wellbeing to 07312 263260.



## Year 11 Study Leave and Exams

Year 11 study leave commences on from 3rd of June Students will only be expected to go to exams and therefore will register at these. If, however, they do need to come into school or are attending a revision session please ensure students sign in and out at student reception (even if they have been in an exam).



Please remind your young people at home that maintaining silence in and around the examination halls, or wherever there is a 'silence' sign, is extremely important. At some point during their time in school, all of our students will find themselves in the same situation, and we kindly request that all students show each other kindness by respecting the need for silence.

## Summer term important dates:

24.05.24	Close for Summer Half Term
03.06.24	Students return to school (Week A)
14.06.24	UCAS Convention - Year 12
17.06.24	Year 10 Loggerheads Trip
18.06.24	Year 12 Mock Exams
19.06.24	Cheshire Book Quiz Final 18:30 - 20:30
25.06.24	New Intake Taster Day
27.06.24	Year 13 Ball
28.06.24	Year 8 Paris Trip
28.06.24	Turing Trip to Montreal
28.06.24	Sixth Form Taster Day
01.07.24	Year 10 Careers Day
01.07 - 05.07	Year 10 & 12 Work Experience
01.07 - 04.07	Battlefields Trip
01.07 - 05.07	Activities Week - Various Day Trips
02.07.24	Year 11 Prom
08.07.24	New Year 7 Parents Welcome Eve
08.07 & 09.07	Year 12 Careers Conference
15.07.24	Summer Concert
19.07.24	Close for Summer Break

D of E events running throughout this half term - check website for more information

Please visit our [website](#) for further information.

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## Do you have something to celebrate?

Attention all students, parents, and carers!

If you have participated in a sports event, arts competition outside of school, raised money for charity, or contributed to the community in any way, **we would love to celebrate your achievement in our next issue.**

If you have something you'd like the school community to celebrate in future Swan Newsletter issues, please email the details of your or your child's achievement and any photos to:



[TheSwan@christletonhigh.co.uk](mailto:TheSwan@christletonhigh.co.uk)



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# SUMMER CONCERT

MONDAY 15TH JULY 2024

TICKETS FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FROM 3RD JUNE  
[WWW.CHRISTLETONHIGH.CO.UK](http://WWW.CHRISTLETONHIGH.CO.UK)



Look out for our  
D of E special in our  
next issue!

