



# Carshalton Boys Sports College

# NEWSLETTER

*'Safeguarding the rights of others is the most noble and beautiful end of a human being.'* Khalil Gibran

October 2023

## Headlines



Dear students, staff, and parents & carers,

It has been an excellent start to the new academic year, and we are particularly excited by our growing range of enrichment opportunities for students in all year groups. Research shows that participation in clubs and activities outside of the normal school curriculum have a huge impact on both wellbeing and academic achievement, and we are keen to support this as much as possible here at Carshalton Boys.

This term our year 7 and 8 students are able to participate in over 30 different enrichment opportunities outside of school hours, both sporting and non-sporting. Table tennis, judo, 'Dungeons & Dragons' and forensics club to name just a few. A reduced, but still comprehensive enrichment offer is in place for all other year groups. In addition, there have been numerous day trips and residential experiences including theatre visits, geography field trips, and visits to Malaga, Jamie's farm and the Battlefields. We are keen to involve all students in a full range of activities during their time at Carshalton Boys, and will be tracking participation and engagement to ensure that this take place. If there are financial constraints that are prohibiting you from signing your child up to a particular activity, please do contact us for a discussion about how we can support you. You can call the school directly or email [contact@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:contact@carshaltonboys.org)

Simon Barber

Principal



## Highlights From the Autumn Term:

- Eco Reps trip to Beddington Recovery Centre
- Y7 Open Evening
- Parents Information evenings
- Sixth Form Open Evening
- Jamie's Farm Trip
- MFL Bake Off
- Kenya Scuba Exhibition Presentation
- Computing Trip Bletchley Park
- Visit from the moon
- Drama trip to Wimbledon Theatre - Romeo & Juliet
- Y11 Malaga Trip
- Y10 Malaga Trip
- Old Vic Theatre company visit
- Sixth Form Music event at the Sound Lounge in Sutton

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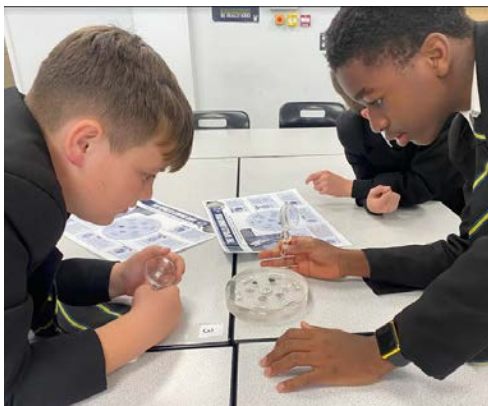
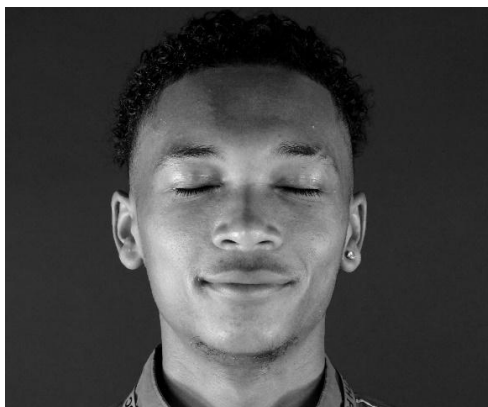
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WE BELIEVE KNOWLEDGE IS POWER, BLACK LIVES MATTER, LOVE IS LOVE, FEMINISM IS FOR EVERYONE,  
NO HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL, BE GENTLE WITH THE EARTH, BE THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF, BE REALLY KIND





## The Half Term In Photos





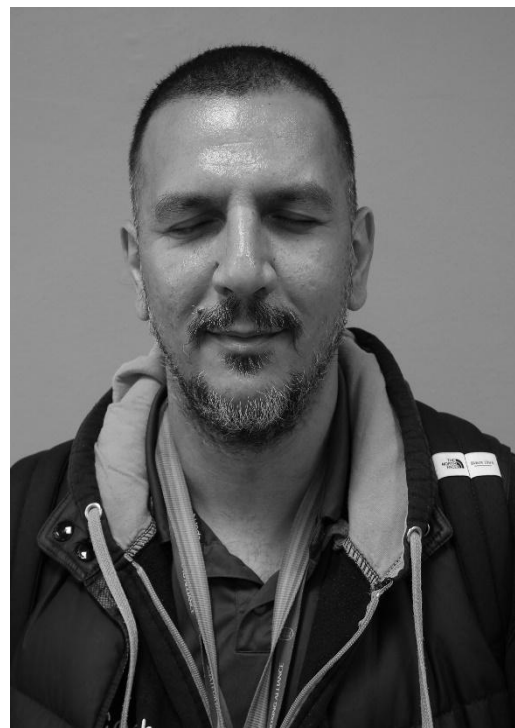


# Take a Moment - Mental Health

In support of World Mental Health Day, CBSC staff and students have been photographed with their eyes closed.

The exhibition of black and white portraits aims to raise awareness of the importance of taking time for ourselves and for our mental health.

The images were inspired by celebrity photographer Ray Burmiston who has photographed famous faces for the Take A Moment exhibition at The National Portrait Gallery.





# Key Dates

## Term Dates & Calendar

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- Teaching Days
- Holiday
- Bank Holidays
- CPD Days (All Staff in School)
- CPD (TOIL)
- Yr's 7 and 12 Induction Days
- All students in school at 8.30am

We have now shared a Student/Parent & Carer version of our School Calendar on our Website.

This can be found [HERE](#)

This is a working document and as events are planned, the document will be updated

If you have any questions about any upcoming events, please email [contact@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:contact@carshaltonboys.org)





# Reading



## Sora E-book library launches at CBSC!

In September, CBSC launched a new digital library called [Sora Overdrive](#).

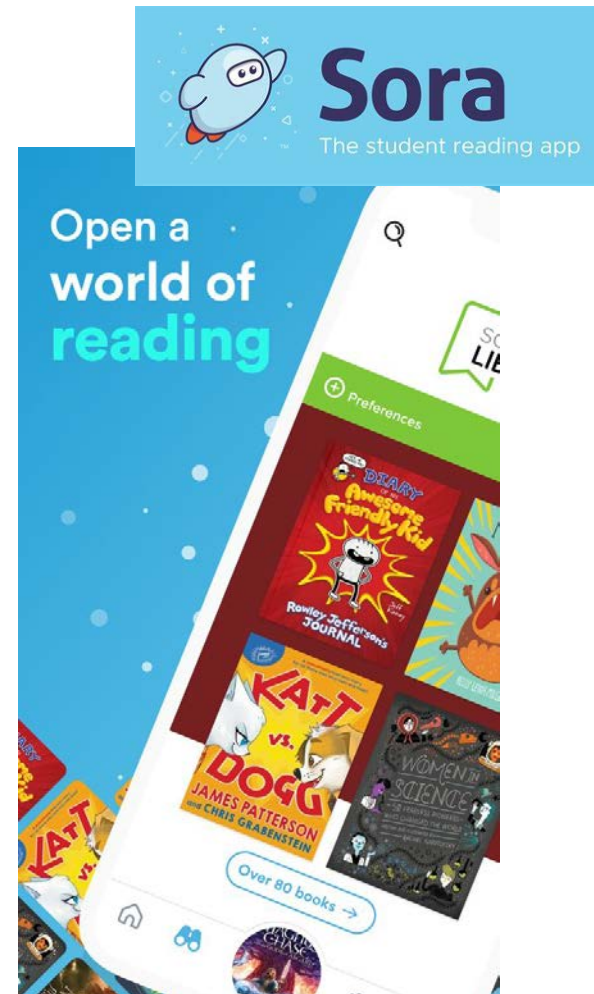
Sora is a free app that allows students to access thousands of ebooks and audiobooks from the school library on their laptops, tablets, and smartphones.

To use Sora Overdrive, students simply need to download the app and log in with their school Google account. Once they are logged in, they can browse the library's collection of ebooks and audiobooks and borrow titles with a single click.

Sora Overdrive offers a wide variety of ebooks and audiobooks, including fiction, non-fiction, graphic novels and educational titles. Students can also use the app to create reading lists, bookmark pages, and share titles with friends.

The launch of Sora Overdrive will provide students with access to a vast collection of digital resources and make it easier for them to find and read books that they are interested in.

The Sora app is easy to use and navigate, and students can access it from anywhere with an internet connection. We encourage all students to try out Sora and see what it has to offer!



Access to ebooks has a positive impact on children's reading attitudes – particularly for boys, and less engaged readers!  
([National Literacy Trust, 2015](#))



The latest research into audiobooks and literacy (2022) found that nearly 2 in 5 children and young people said they enjoyed listening to audio either very much or quite a lot.



# Food Tech

The Food Dept have been really impressed with the standard of practical work that we have seen this term. Both Mrs Hepburn and Miss Dean have enjoyed seeing the fantastic outcomes produced in our one hour lessons. All the recipes are shared in Google Classroom if you would like to recreate them at home. What a great start to the year, well done boys. You can see more action from our Food Tech Department on the @foodcbcs Instagram page.







# Kenya Expedition 2025

Following our hugely successful expedition to Costa Rica in July, we are so excited to launch the next expedition that will take place to Kenya in 2025. This fantastic opportunity is open to present year 9s, 10s, 11s and 12s and offers the experience of spending 4 weeks in Kenya working on wildlife and community projects. Kenya is a developing country where less than half the population have access to drinking water and so the community work that our students do is so worthwhile. The adventure part of the expedition is scuba diving (students can gain a PADI qualification) and safari. Fundraising is an important part of the expedition and we support our students who are committed in many ways, for example, by offering opportunities to earn some steady money at school. We are genuinely looking forward to giving our students this chance to experience the adventure of a lifetime. If you have any questions, please email

[Lthomas@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:Lthomas@carshaltonboys.org)



## Photos from Costa Rica 2023







# Malaga 2023

Over the last two weekends, fifty-one year 10s and 11s experienced the delights of Málaga under the Mediterranean sun.

The boys had an action packed itinerary, and highlights included visiting the only submarine cave in Europe, participating in flamenco and drumming workshops, playing beach sports, enjoying the stunning views from the Balcón de Europa in the picturesque town of Nerja and practising their linguistic skills in Spanish classes and at a local high school. Watching our boys dancing flamenco and happily chatting with the Spanish students were firm favourites of mine!!

The boys were truly amazing and they embraced the opportunities offered to them. They built their confidence, made memories for life and wholeheartedly demonstrated our CBSC principle of 'Be the Best Version of Yourself'.



## 6th Form Music Event



On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, some of our talented 6<sup>th</sup> Form music students put on an event at the Sound Lounge venue in Sutton town centre. The students organised all aspects of the performance, themselves including repertoire, publicity, ticket sales, venue and equipment; this formed part of their Music Industry unit for the Level 3 Btec course.

The performances ranged from indie pop hits from Grey Area, Heavy Rock performed by Siphon of Sound, a beautiful piano solo from Levi B and some classical guitar works performed immaculately by Tom R.

Overall the event was a huge success and the students are already planning the next one so watch this space – next stop Wembley Stadium!!







# School Fund - Relaunch

Over half term we will be sending out a Letter and Leaflet about Voluntary School fund donations. Trustees are encouraging all parents and guardians to make a donation – value of your choice via Wisepay. Trustees are hoping to raise £10,000 to give to the Student Power committee to invest in projects of their choice. They are currently considering a variety of Eco related projects across the site, but take a look at the leaflet and website to find out more information about how School Fund money has been spent in the past.



Memorial Garden



Minibuses – new ones due in October 23



The Bridge



Construction shed

Playground enhancements – Including table tennis tables and a basketball zone





# YEAR 7

Head of Year: Mr Wadman  
Pastoral Support Officer: Miss Awolope  
[LeadershipYear7@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:LeadershipYear7@carshaltonboys.org)



To our wonderful parents and carers,

It has been a fantastic start to the school year. The children have settled in amazingly well and have already developed an amazing attitude towards their learning and forged great friendships with their peers. The children have been working really hard this half term with their learning and exploring all that the school has to offer through the huge range of subjects that the children take part in.

All the children have begun their Enrichment program and we have received great feedback from parents and students alike who are finding great enjoyment out of their extra-curricular activities. We thank all you parents for your continued support. Your involvement is crucial in shaping the educational experience for our Year 7 students.

As the half term approaches, please ensure that you all take the time to recharge your batteries, ready for the second half of the term!

Mr Wadman and Miss Awolope

## Top 10 Achievement Points

- Chi WT 7M 97
- Ikbal G 7M 87
- Joshua C 7C 76
- Barnaby T 7F 75
- Zani Y 7A 75
- Raya S 7E 75
- Nathan B 7P 74
- Nathan R 7M 71
- Amari A 7M 71
- Harrison N 7M 71

## Total Year 7 Achievement Points

# 11054



## Work Outside of the Classroom (WOTC)

Work outside of the classroom is an integral part to success at Carshalton Boys. The children have done a great job of adjusting to the new expectations that we set for them here and have worked hard to ensure that their WOTC is always done to the best of their ability. A huge thank you to the parents for all your positive comments and help with keeping your child up to date with work.

If there are children who are struggling with WOTC, there are plenty of places to go for help.

WOTC Club; Monday & Wednesday, 3-4pm, A39

SEND WOTC Club: Monday-Thursday, before school, Break, Lunch and After School in The Bridge





# YEAR 7

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# YEAR 8

Head of Year: Mr Norton  
 Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Howard  
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Dear Year 8 Parents,

I am delighted to share with you the wonderful news about our students' excellent start to the autumn term. It's been an eventful and productive beginning, and we couldn't be prouder of their accomplishments.

One of the highlights of this term was the fantastic trip to Jamie's Farm, where our students had the opportunity to learn about agriculture and the great outdoors. This hands-on experience allowed them to connect with nature and gain a deeper understanding of the world around them.

Inside the classroom, our students have been working tirelessly to prepare for the next stage of their academic journey as they approach their GCSEs. We've witnessed their dedication and enthusiasm in their studies, and we're confident they are on the right path to success.

Another exciting development is the selection of 14 of our pupils to be part of the "Brilliant Club." This prestigious program involves collaborating with a PhD science lecturer from a local university. Over the course of their involvement, these students will be engaged in structured elements of research and various tasks, all of which will culminate in an exciting overall assignment. This is a tremendous opportunity for them to broaden their horizons and delve deeper into the world of academia.

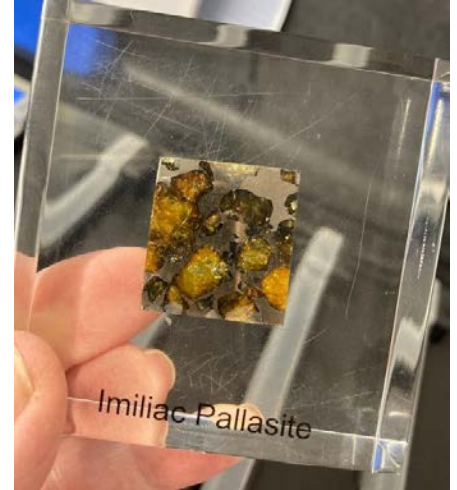
## Achievements

### Top 10 Achievement Points

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| • Caiden T 8C 97   | • Jack H 8W 76   |
| • Andre N 8W 89    | • Max A 8M 75    |
| • James G 8C 82    | • Izaan A 8E 74  |
| • Yaqub H 8C 78    | • Gerald A 8R 70 |
| • Shi Xian Z 8F 77 | • Alex V 8C 68   |

### Total Year 8 Achievement Points

**9472**



We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the following students for their inclusion in the "Brilliant Club":

- Alex GS
- Kacper J
- Jack R
- Fin R
- Zak T
- Arslan G
- Daniel E
- Zerahiah P
- John T
- Shi Wei Z
- Maui J
- Kevinas S
- Clark A
- Elliot B



Their dedication and hard work have earned them this opportunity, and we are excited to see the incredible progress they will make throughout this program.

We are looking forward to a successful and eventful autumn term, filled with growth and learning opportunities for your children. As always, if you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Thank you for your continued support, and let's look forward to a rewarding year ahead

Mr Norton

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Head of Year: Mr Norton

Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Howard

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# YEAR 8







# YEAR 9

Head of Year: Mr Szreider  
Pastoral Support Officer: Miss McLellan  
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Dear Year 9 Parents

I am so impressed with the start that Year 9 students have made this academic year. It is clear that they have made a smooth transition into their pathways/options and are taking advantage of the many opportunities available to them, such as the Sutton Supremo's Leadership programme and the Duke of Edinburgh award.

A highlight for me was the Year 9 Battlefields trip to Belgium & France which was a fantastic experience. I am sure that the students learned a great deal about World War I and the sacrifices that were made. All of the students had an excellent residential trip (please see some of the photos on the next page).

Please remind students to attend an extra-curricular club if they have not already done so. There are lots of physical, mental and social benefits, so please encourage your son to get involved!

I hope that all of the Year 9 students have a well-deserved and restful half term break.

Mr Szreider

## Top 10 Achievement Points

- Jack C 9E 110
- Harees K 9E 95
- Belmondo V 9F 94
- Ryan C 9C 93
- Josef Ely L 9S 82
- Josiah F 9C 72
- Khyro O 9E 70
- Liam O 9W 69
- Jasper P 9S 68
- Olivier A 9P 68

## Total Year 9 Achievement Points

# 8297

## Extra Curricular Activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y9 Basketball 3-4pm	Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu 3-4pm	Y9 Football - Trials tomorrow after school 3-4pm	Y9 Handball 3-4pm	Boxing - All Year Groups 3-4pm
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Drama Production 3-4.30pm	Table Tennis 3-4pm	Wednesday Writers 3-4pm	Maths WOTC support at Lunch	DICE club 3.15-4.30pm (Blue Week Only)
	WOTC support - B39 - 3-4pm			
	Maths WOTC support at Lunch			



The Old Vic Trip

## Uniform Reminders

Please can you remind your son that they must have at least four stripes on their tie, shirts must be tucked in and they must have their school blazer on.

Students have also been reminded that they are not allowed to have chewing gum in school.

Thank you for your continued support.





# YEAR 9

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# YEAR 10

Head of Year: Miss Torpey  
Pastoral Support Officer: Ms Garcia  
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We kick off this edition of the Year 10 newsletter with a resounding applause for our incredible 10F class. Their recent assembly, which focused on inspirational black role models, left us all inspired and moved. The dedication and hard work they put into their presentation truly shone through, and we couldn't be prouder of their accomplishments.

Another round of applause is in order, this time for our students who have achieved the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. What a fantastic achievement! This recognition speaks volumes about your commitment, teamwork, and resilience. Well done to all the students who received this prestigious award, and we look forward to witnessing more of your accomplishments in the future.

Another highlight was the Malaga trip, which was an eye-opening experience for our students. They had a remarkable time and gained valuable insights during their visit. We're thrilled that they had such a great time and that experiences like these contribute to their personal growth.

As a gentle reminder, it's important to note that trainers are not considered a part of the school uniform. Additionally, our Year 10 students are growing older and should adhere to the dress code by wearing a black tie, maintaining a sense of uniformity and maturity.

Finally, starting after the half-term break, students who do not complete their WOTC or submit work that is of a low quality and does not meet the required standard for their ability, will be required to attend a compulsory one-hour WOTC intervention on the same day. Please note that these interventions are compulsory and cannot be changed or rescheduled.

Before these compulsory interventions, students will be expected to hand in their mobile phones and spend the time focusing exclusively on completing their WOTC assignments. Even if they complete the work ahead of the intervention, they will still be required to sit the full one hour after school. This will provide a structured and distraction-free environment for them to concentrate on their work, ensuring that they meet the necessary standards and make the most of their learning opportunities.



## Top 10 Achievement Points

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| • Harrison C-S 10C 62 | • Xander F-L 10R 52    |
| • George C 10C 59     | • Morgan S 10S 52      |
| • Genael D 10F 57     | • Gabriel de CS 10R 48 |
| • Ciprian F 10A 57    | • Micah C 10M 47       |
| • Andrew P 10W 52     | • Matthew B 10C 47     |

## Total Year 10 Achievement Points

# 5912





# YEAR 10

Head of Year: Miss Torpey  
Pastoral Support Officer: Ms Garcia  
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# YEAR 11

Head of Year: Miss McGrath  
Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Thomposon  
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We have made it to half term – yay! It has been a tough start to this academic year but you have risen to the challenge and the progress you have made is admirable. I am so proud of the aspirations you have set yourself and the hard work you are putting in to achieve these.

Half term is a time to reset and refresh ready for the challenges of the next half term. This break also offers a golden opportunity to revise and get organised for your upcoming mock exams, which take place that first week back. Remember, your mock exams are used to inform teachers what they need to cover over the next few months and they highlight areas you need to prioritise. It is vital that you take these mocks seriously, prepare effectively and do your best.

Here are my top tips to help you revise effectively over the half term:

- Create a revision schedule: Make a plan using the template shared on CC. Be specific with what topics you will cover in each session so you do not miss any.
- Motivate yourself: Schedule in rewards to keep you motivated. Make sure you only reward yourself if you achieve your revision goal for that day!
- Create a study space: Try to create a dedicated space for your revision. Make sure it is quiet, well lit, tidy and fully stocked with resources.
- Minimise distractions: Turn off your TV, console and notifications on your phone whilst revising.
- Self-test and regular review: Once you have revised a topic, make sure you regularly test yourself on what you have covered to ensure it has stuck in your brain.
- Stay healthy: Make sure you are getting enough sleep and are taking breaks for exercise to help keep you healthy and focussed.

My biggest tip of all is to stay positive. You are an incredible group of students with the potential to achieve amazing things. There will be times when you feel overwhelmed or disheartened, but remember that you are capable of anything you put your mind to.

Take care and stay safe.

Miss McGrath

## Top 10 Achievement Points

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| • Jeanneau D 11F 58 | • Samuel S 11E 45  |
| • Ethan B 11F 55    | • Freddie S 11F 43 |
| • Pedro DC 11R 51   | • Daniel W 11R 43  |
| • Hassam A 11E 49   | • Joe G 11N 41     |
| • Harry R 11F 46    | • Joshua B 11W 41  |

## Total Year 10 Achievement Points

# 5784

**CBSC 6th Form Application Close Date  
15th December 2023**



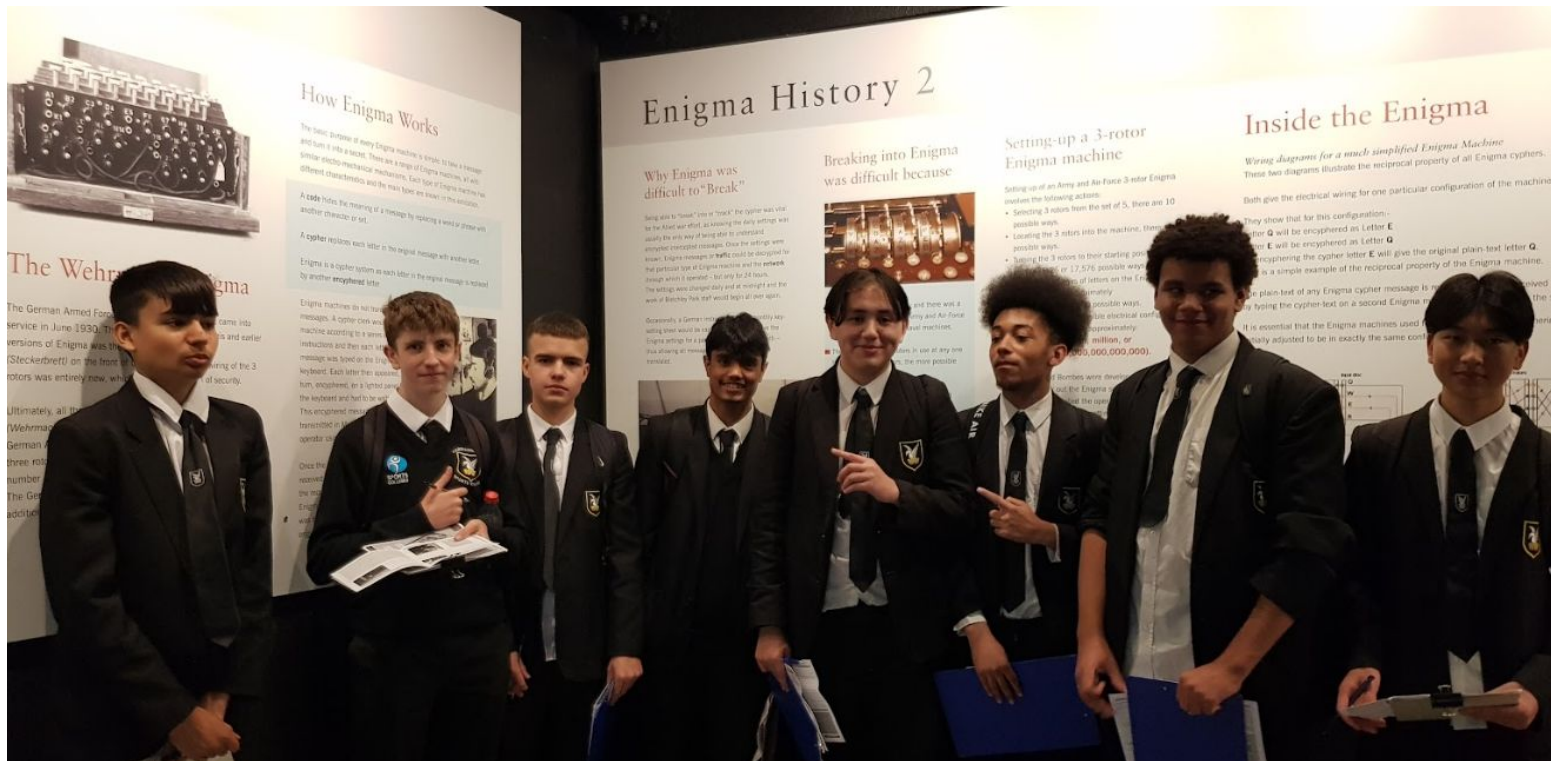
Malaga Trip 2023





# YEAR 11

Head of Year: Miss McGrath  
Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Thompson  
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# Sixth Form

Head of Year: Mr Earley &amp; Mrs White

Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Barker

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## Year 12

### Academic Update

Firstly I would like to congratulate year 12 on making such a strong start to their sixth form journey. The transition from GCSE to Level 3 study is a difficult one and every student has really begun to make significant progress on that step up to KS5 study. At the end of this first half term students are fully embedded into the sixth form community and have had several study skills sessions to support their new pathways. Students are starting to gain real traction in their progress and enjoying developing their existing knowledge at a deeper level or enjoying new subjects that they didn't have the opportunity to study prior to KS5.

We are currently collecting attitude to learning data which will be shared with you once completed. This will then help inform who in the student community needs some additional support from the sixth form team and our academic mentors. In addition I had the privilege of sending home postcards to some of our students who were recognised by departments as making a strong start. A regular comment from department heads was that students have been enthusiastic in lessons and work has been up to an amazing standard. Well done Year 12!

### Trips & Events

Several of our year 12 students have already signed up for some of the "Futures Thursday" opportunities. These range from taster lectures at university, academic mentoring programmes and virtual work experiences. Many of our students have signed up for the first UCAS experience visit in November and proved so popular we have opened a waiting list for this trip. Please be reassured we will run several trips during the course of the year to ensure all students can access the same opportunities.

This half term year 12 music students have been working hard to stage their concert at the soundlounge in Sutton and other departments have already starting organising trips and events to support the students on their academic journey. Thank you for all your support as parents and carers for your contributions to all the trips we run as this really does add value to the sixth form academic journey.



### Pastoral Update

We have spent lots of time this half term settling in our new Y12 students who have made an amazing start to 6th form. Assemblies have focussed on managing transition across both cohorts as well as looking at what support services are available both within schools and the external agencies we have links with. All students have been invited to join a Pastoral Classroom on Google where they can access links and resources to Daily Notices, Assemblies, NDTD, Whizz Quiz Wednesday info, Futures Thursday and much more. The most recent PSHE session looked at stress and ways of coping with it in different scenarios. Some research has shown that saying 'I am excited' when you are confronted by a difficult task or scenario and other research suggests that calming music and meditation can be a real relief.







# Sixth Form

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Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Barker

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## Year 13

### Academic Update

It has been a pleasure to see all our Year 13 students return to school with a real drive and determination to do well this year. The cohort are really stepping up a gear in order to secure exceptional predicted grades for their university applications and competitive CV's.

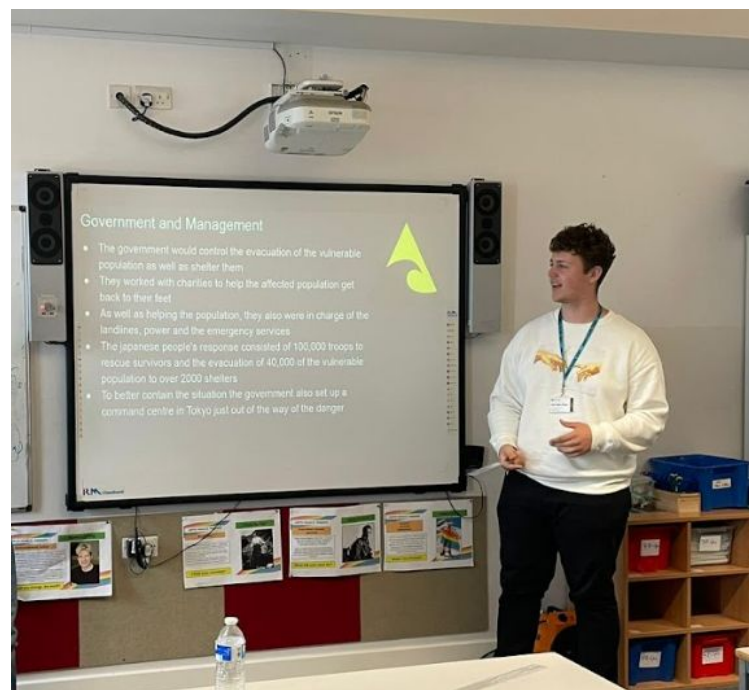
We have our first set of mock exams in the week beginning 13th November and I know students will show a tremendous amount of progress in a short space of time. Over half term students should be revising strategically to prepare as well as getting a well deserved rest.

We have been putting in some support for students with bespoke academic mentoring, plugging students into external tutoring to support progress and running personalised intervention strategies. We also have been running a weekly ASPIRE session working on skills around exam vocabulary to make those marginal gains that are crucial for the top grades.

There is also parents evening next half term when we can share and celebrate their progress to date and what the crucial next steps are to secure grades. We look forward to seeing you all in person then.

### Pastoral Update

This half term we have welcomed back a very driven and motivated Y13, many of whom are deep in exam preparation and UCAS mode. We continue to support students with exam concessions, help & advice and guidance across a range of topics. PSHE sessions have focussed on UCAS and Job Seeker opportunities and assemblies have looked at embedding the transition to Y13 and the support services available. All helpful information and resources are available on the the Y13 Pastoral Classroom





# UCAS & Aimhigher

Lead: Ms Ellis

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## UCAS Year 12 & 13

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## Alumni News

### Year 12

Although it is early for Year 12 to be thinking about university they are being given Information, advice and guidance about future pathways.

Students have access to weekly 'Futures Thursdays' presentations and Unifrog and Springpod platforms during Academic enrichment. Students are encouraged to take part in super curricular activities so if they wish to apply to university they have a wealth of experience and evidence to write about.

### Year 13

It is a very exciting time for Year 13 who have started to send off university applications. Some students are already getting offers from their university choices.

Congratulations to them all and good luck to those who will finish their applications after half term.

## Website for UCAS Journey

- How to write a personal statement [HERE](#)
- Help with UCAS Personal Statement [HERE](#)
- UCAS Student Finance England [HERE](#)
- UCAS - What & Where to Study [HERE](#)



Nottingham University

### CBSC UCAS Deadline Friday 24th November

In school UCAS application deadline. Students should complete and pay for their applications by this date to ensure time for checking and references being added before the Christmas holidays.

### James Springate

James has just completed his first few weeks at the University of Reading studying Human and Physical Geography.

He emailed with an update of his time so far...*Just writing to say I've been having an amazing time at Reading so far! I've been really enjoying the course and I've met some amazing people on it. I'm currently doing 6 modules this term, with my favourites being The Economics of Climate Change and International Development: Global and Local Issues. Although I am missing car boys, I am really enjoying uni life and becoming more independent.*



James and his geography teacher Mrs Ellis on A level results day. Mrs Ellis also studied geography at Reading university

### Ollie Green

I was a student at Carshalton Boys from Year 7 until Year 13 and I then joined the staff team, working in the Sixth Form as part of a gap year. I have now started my course at Nottingham University, studying PPE (philosophy, politics and economics). The first few weeks have been very busy! My first week was an introductory week, getting me and my fellow first year students used to the University campus, living in student accommodation and starting our studies. Since then I have started my course; engaging with lectures, seminars and tutorials and spending time in the library doing independent study and reading. It is a big change going from living at home to living by yourself, but the University ensures that students are equipped for this change and all the other new students are in a similar situation, so everyone is looking to make friends and support each other. It is an amazing opportunity not only to study, but also to get stuck into societies (there are many of these, both weird and wonderful). I am doing powerlifting society, as well as playing football just for fun. The social aspect of University is brilliant, with lots of opportunities to hang out and make friends. I can't wait for the opportunities ahead of me...





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## NHS Allied Work Experience

### Years 10-13

Health Education England has recently completed a discovery report on virtual work experience programmes, which have concluded that these programmes are a valuable adjunct to in-person work experience, especially by preparing students for in-person placements and where in-person experiences are extremely limited. The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience successfully invited 12,000 students to participate in the last academic year, making it the largest programme for students who are specifically interested in the following careers:

Nursing  
Midwifery  
Paramedicine  
Physiotherapy  
Occupational Therapy  
Dietetics  
Radiography  
Prosthetics and Orthotics  
Speech and language therapy  
and Pharmacy!



Applications for this programme are now open, and they will be open throughout this academic year, with the next virtual work experience day taking place on the 5th November.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching.

This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different, and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. Students can register individually through the website link below. Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day.

Students can register for the programme here: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>.

## Upcoming University Events

**KS4 Understanding Subjects at University** University of Roehampton, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 (TBC)

**KS3 Discovering University** St Mary's University Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**University and Apprenticeship fair and Sussex Uni visit** - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

**KS5 Get Ready for University** University of Roehampton Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Southampton Solent University - Parents and carers higher education information webinar**

For parents and carers who would like to support their child with applying to university

Tuesday 28 November 2023, 6-7.15pm

Click on the link [HERE](#) for more information.





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## Career Days



### Career days - Aged 13-18 years old

The days are designed to give students an insight into possible future careers with advice on how to apply to university followed by an afternoon session of work experience to help them see what the career may be like. Students will receive a certificate confirming their work experience.

#### The schedule is as follows:

Midwifery Career Day - Saturday 21st October 2023

Dentistry Career Day - Saturday 28th October 2023

Business Career Day - Sunday 5th November 2023

Psychology Career Day - Saturday 11th November 2023

Architect Career Day - Saturday 18th November 2023

Vet Career Day - Saturday 25th November 2023

Law Career Day - Saturday 2nd December 2023

Computer Science Career Day - Saturday 9th December 2023

Students can visit [www.careerdays.co.uk](http://www.careerdays.co.uk) to join a session in their field of interest and will receive a certificate at the end of the day confirming their work experience.

## Virtual Oxford Interview Workshop

Virtual Oxford Interview Workshop on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm**. This is an opportunity for your students to gain some tips for preparing for an Oxford interview and practical information about the process. We will also be joined by one of our tutors and a current Queen's student, who will take part in a mini mock interview.

This is suitable for Year 13 students who have already applied for 2024 entry to Oxford or Cambridge, or Year 12 students who are interested in learning more about the Oxford admissions process.

Please do share the link directly with your students to sign up before **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/GRmvDYjc2x>

The workshop will take place via Zoom and last around an hour, including plenty of opportunity for Q&A.

If you have any questions, please contact [lellis@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:lellis@carshaltonboys.org)



## Post 16

Parents and carers have received a letter earlier in the half term regarding college and 6th form applications.

The Careers Team will be working closely with College/Apprenticeship applicants throughout the year to ensure students are fully supported and have a high quality advice and guidance regarding choices. Please note that ALL students in Y11 will be booked in for a careers appointment with our impartial careers advisor. Below is some information about local college open events

- **Carshalton College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 18/11/23 & 7/2/24
- **Nescot College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 22/11/23, 27/1/24 & 21/2/24
- **Kingston College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 15/11/2023, 27/1/24, 13/3/24
- **South Thames College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 11/11/23 & 6/3/2024
- **East Surrey College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 18/11/23
- **John Ruskin College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 9/11/23
- **Croydon College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 4/11/23, 13/3/24
- **Merton College link [HERE](#)**
  - Dates: 8/11/23

If you have any questions about CBSC 6th Form or Post 16 options, please contact Mrs Cowell  
[PCowell@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:PCowell@carshaltonboys.org)





# Notices

## CBSC Vacancies

Would you like to join the CBSC team?

All CBSC vacancies are shared on the CBSC website [HERE](#)

Links are also embedded below.

### Current vacancies

Bank Exam Invigilators

Citizenship Teacher

Criminology & Citizenship Teacher

Design & Technology Teacher

EAL Learning Support Assistant

Geography Teacher

Head of Criminology

Trustee/Governor Vacancy

Computer Science Teacher

**For the latest  
News/Events  
information, please visit  
the following:**

 [X \(formerly Twitter\)](#)

 [Instagram](#)

 [Threads](#)

[CBSC Website News & Events  
Page](#)

If you have any News to share about your child, for example, they have won a sporting competition, or done something amazing for charity, and you would like this to be shared in our Newsletter, Website or Social Media platforms, please email some details of this and photos to [news@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:news@carshaltonboys.org)



# Notices



South West London and  
St George's Mental Health  
NHS Trust

**Education Wellbeing Service**

Education  
Wellbeing  
Service

## Upcoming Events For Parents & Carers

### Autumn Term 2023

Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

**26TH  
OR 28TH  
SEPT**

Mental Health During The Teenage Years -  
An Introduction And Overview  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

Getting Into School - Common Challenges &  
Supporting School Avoidance  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**12TH  
OR 18TH  
OCT**

**16TH  
OR 17TH  
NOV**

"I Wish I Looked Like Them" - Helping Teens  
Navigate Body Image Issues  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

Understanding and Supporting Teen Sleep  
& Self-Care  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**4TH  
OR 7TH  
DEC**

We also provide free 1:1 early support programmes for young people to  
support with their anxiety or low mood. Speak to your school to find out more

[Click here](#)

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**Spring/Summer Term 2024**  
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**15TH  
OR 24TH  
JAN** Understanding & Supporting Your Teen With Autism Spectrum Condition  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**6TH  
OR 7TH  
FEB** Social Media & Gaming- What Parents Need To Know  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

**26TH  
OR 27TH  
FEB** Managing Exam & Assignment Stress  
For parents/ carers of Young People in Years 11-13 & college

**11TH  
OR 13TH  
MAR** Parenting Teenagers With Characteristics of ADHD  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers


**24TH  
OR 25TH  
APRIL** Managing Exam & Assignment Stress  
For parents/ carers of Young People in Years 7-10

**14TH  
OR 16TH  
MAY** Supporting Your Teenager With Emotional Difficulties & Self Harm  
For all secondary & college parents/ carers

We also provide free 1:1 early help support programmes for young people to support with anxiety or low mood. Speak to your school to find out more

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We would like to invite you to attend CBSC's Dyslexia Club. Here we will play games, complete smart activities and give you a variety of hints and tips to help support you in class.

When – Wednesday lunch times  
1:20 – 2:00

Feel free to bring your lunch with you  
**Starting Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Where – F34

With – Mrs Penfold & Mrs McFarlane  
Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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[CMcFarlane@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:CMcFarlane@carshaltonboys.org)

This club is not compulsory.  
The focus of the club is to tailor individual support for those with dyslexia.