



NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 17 APRIL 2026

Dates for your diary

Week 1

22.04.26 - Scholars concert.

24.04.26 - Year 8 options deadline

24.04.26 - Culture day

Week 2

28.04.26 - NT Connections performance

28.04.26 - Jack Petchey award evening

29.04.26 - Junior maths challenge

29.04.26 - Crystal Palace trip

29.04.26 - Harrow philosophy trip

30.04.26 - Jack Petchey challenge

30.04.26 - Year 7 parents evening. Early finish for all students, students will be dismissed at 2.35pm.

Welcome

Welcome back! We have had a very positive and productive start to the new term, with many exciting opportunities already taking place across the school.

This half-term, our focus is on empowerment. Through assemblies and discussions, students are exploring the importance of valuing their voice, thinking critically about influences around them, and standing up for themselves and others. We are reinforcing respect, empathy, and the importance of challenging harmful attitudes, while encouraging students to take small, positive actions that contribute to a safe and inclusive school environment. You can view [this week's assembly here](#).

Year 8 students attended their Options Evening - thank you to all families who joined us. It was fantastic to see such strong support as students begin making important decisions about their future pathways.

We are also incredibly proud of three students from Key Stages 3 and 4 who represented the school at a borough council meeting. They spoke thoughtfully and confidently on key community issues, including public transport safety and anti-racism, and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

Year 10 students took part in their Careers Morning, gaining valuable insight and inspiration as they begin to consider their next steps ahead of their final year.

We have also launched our 5-week Attendance Challenge, starting on 15th April. Students who achieve 95% attendance or higher will be entered into a prize draw to win one of two £25 vouchers - every day in school really does make a difference.

We are excited to announce our upcoming CHSG Culture Day, organised by our CORE (Carshalton's Organisation for Racial Equality) student group, taking place on Friday 24th April. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the rich diversity within our school community. Students are invited to wear clothing that reflects their culture, heritage, or personal identity.

The day will include a lunchtime food festival, where students can sample a variety of cuisines. Those who wish to contribute food are asked to include a list of ingredients, allergen information, and details about the dish's origin. We will also host a cultural concert after school from 3-4pm, featuring performances such as traditional dance, music, and cultural dress. This is a free, ticketed event, with sign-up details shared via MS Forms.

We are very much looking forward to a vibrant and inclusive day that celebrates the many cultures within our school community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Miss Jones
Assistant Headteacher

YOUR OPINION MATTERS

At CHSG, we strive to provide the best experience for our students and families. Please participate in our Edurio survey: [Survey link](#).

Your feedback is crucial for identifying our strengths and areas for improvement. There are two weeks left to complete our parent survey.

The year group with the highest parent response rate wins doughnuts!



CHSG Culture Day, Friday 24th April

Wider Reading Programme

7th MAY

Wider Reading requests close

11th MAY

Reading books begin to be returned

22nd MAY

All books should be returned

Walsingham's Codebreaker challenge:

In the year 1586, a great danger did threaten Queen Elizabeth. Mary, Queen of Scots, plotted to take the throne for herself. She sent a secret letter to her allies, but Sir Francis Walsingham, the Queen's spy-master, plans to uncover her wicked plan with your help.

How to Play:

- Activity sheets will be left at the student receptionist desk for you to collect. The back of this sheet contains the secret letter written by Mary Queen of Scots about her plans for Elizabeth I.
- Hidden parts of the code are scattered around. Each clue will lead you to the next set of codes.
- Decipher the message and return it to Miss Smith for your chance to win a prize for saving the queen

Prizes:

First to solve the challenge wins an Amazon voucher worth £15.

Everyone else who successfully cracks the code will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win one of three additional £10 Amazon vouchers.



Deadline: 25th May



We hope you all had a good, restful Easter break!

Year 7 have made a positive start back to this term with a positive mind set and ready to learn. This term is going to be another busy one with lots of different opportunities for the students to be involved with.

Year 7 have the opportunity to take part in a self defence workshop. An email was sent this week with details of the workshop and how to pay and sign up. This is a fantastic opportunity for the students.

Just a gentle reminder that Year 7 students are not permitted to bring a smartphone to school.

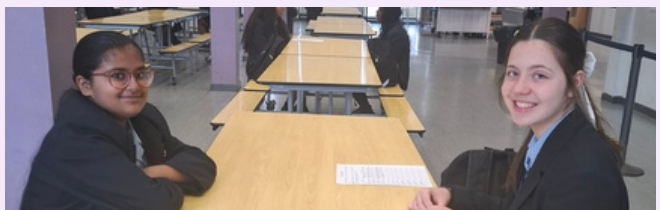
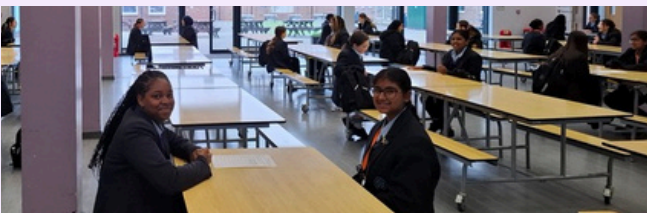
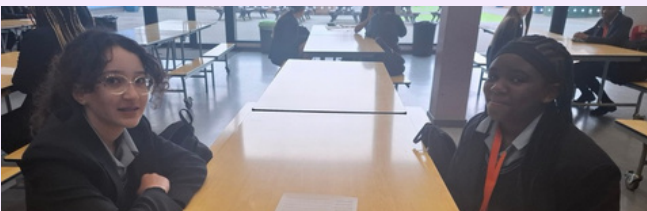
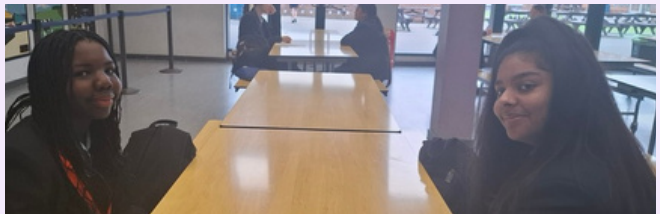
Ms Brice
Head of Year 7

Big Sister, Little Sister Mentoring Programme

Since last term we have been running a peer mentoring programme called Big Sister, Little Sister where a group of Year 8 students act as mentors for a group of Year 7 students. We usually meet every other Wednesday during am registration so that the girls, in their assigned pairs, can discuss how things are going for them at school.

Feedback from the students is extremely positive;

- *My "sister" and I talk and laugh a lot.*
- *I have enjoyed giving tips to my "little sister" about subjects and lessons.*
- *I have enjoyed sharing my experiences and talking to a person I feel comfortable with.*
- *I have enjoyed talking to D as a new friend.*
- *I like being able to help someone who is younger than me and create a new friendship.*
- *I like learning more about what happens in Year 8.*
- *I have really enjoyed listening to my Year 7 as they share their experience of their new journey to CHSG.*
- *I like helping them to face challenges and obstacles.*
- *I have enjoyed getting to know each other and share our different experiences.*





YEAR 8

Well done to the Year 7 students; Jersie F, Jemelia S and Lyde-Marie D(7B2), Darcie M, Billie-Rose G (7G1) Husna R, Tanasha M, Katrina F (7G2), Isla I, Daisy C, Isabel M, Shanaya F (7R1), Zahra F, Clara A, Krishika A (7R2) Naya D (7Y2)

Well done to my wonderful Year 8 mentors who are amazing role models for their younger counterparts; Maryam R, (8B3) Sophia E, Sienna G (8G1), Dannon D (8G2), Ruby H, Esther R,(8G2) Karina L, Jasmine P, Shakira U (8G3), Libby E, Olivia M, Camoyah R-R (8R1), Kyla B, Mia T, Ayrah S (8Y1), Chloe E, Maya O and Saima P (8Y2).

Student Shout Out

Well done to Ivy M (8G2) who was selected to attend a Borough Council meeting at Carew Academy with 2 other students and Miss Jones on Wednesday.

Options Evening

Thank you all for attending our Year 8 Options evening on Thursday. It was great to see so many parents there and to hear your very positive feedback. I hope you and your daughter found the evening useful and it has supported your daughter in making her final Option choices.

Please do fill in the [Options Form](#). The form closes at 3pm on Friday 24th April.

Mrs Devaney
Head of Year 8

YEAR 9

Welcome back Year 9, we hope you had a lovely Easter and a well-deserved rest.

Students have made a positive start to this term and have started their new EC lessons well. We had over 20 Student Ambassador's helping with our Year 8 Options evening on Thursday, thank you and well done to those students for giving up your time.

Next week we are celebrating Culture Day on Friday 24th April. Students are encouraged to wear cultural dress, Guides or Cadets uniform, Football tops, or T-shirts celebrating different Nationalities. There will also be a food festival - bring and share food from your culture or simply pop by for some food tasting during lunch time in the hall. After school there will be a Culture Day Concert in the hall from 3-4pm.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs O'Connor
Head of Year 9



CHSG Sustainability Tip of the Week



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Earth Day, April 22nd 2026: "We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children" (Native American Proverb)

Students: Learn and share: Get curious about the environment — research an endangered animal or a climate issue — and share what you learn with others. Knowledge inspires change.

Parents: Model mindful consumption: Show children how to buy only what you need, reduce household waste, and repair instead of replace. Small actions build lifelong habits.



YEAR 10

It was lovely to see the girls back on Monday and we hope you all had a great Easter break. This week has been another busy one. Miss Jones' presented a very thought-provoking and engaging assembly on the theme of Empowerment, one of our key values.

Mrs Green also spoke to the year group on Wednesday about how the use of correct language in their studies can really help them progress in their subjects.

Year 10 Careers Day - Post-16 Pathways

On Thursday morning, our Year 10 students took part in the final Careers Day of the year, with a focus on making informed post-16 decisions. The event provided a valuable opportunity for students to reflect on their next steps and explore the range of pathways available to them.

We were delighted to welcome a group of current Year 12 students, who shared their experiences and offered practical advice on how to approach decision-making. Their insights helped Year 10 students to consider what factors matter most to them as they plan for the future. Representatives from South Thames College Group also delivered an engaging session on vocational pathways, highlighting the opportunities available through further education and apprenticeships, as well as how students can begin preparing early to stay ahead.

A particularly eye-opening session on "The Cost of Living" prompted much discussion, with some students surprised to learn about everyday expenses such as utility bills and the average cost of renting or owning a two-bedroom home. The morning concluded with a workshop focused on decision-making and identifying personal priorities moving forward.

We were incredibly proud of how well the students engaged throughout the morning. Their enthusiasm, curiosity and thoughtful participation made the event a great success, and we hope the insights gained will support them in making informed choices later this year.

Reminders:

All homework is now being set on Arbor - if you struggle to log-on/access any homework please get in touch with the school.

The cardigans with the school logo will be able to be worn instead of the blazer from the 1 June. The school blazer can still be worn if preferred or when wearing a non-branded cardigan. This year's Year 10 are the last year group to be able to wear the branded cardigans instead of the school blazer.

The year group have been informed of several leadership opportunities such as Head Girls and Prefects that will be available for them to apply for soon. We encourage everyone to apply for these roles as they really help strengthen and shape the girls' character.

Mrs Pearce
Head of Year 10

YEAR 11

Welcome back to all Year 11 students. I hope the Easter holidays were restful and students are ready to work hard - the end is finally in sight! This half term sees the start of the written GCSE's as well as a modified timetable taking place towards the end of the half term.

A reminder of a couple of deadlines that are coming up: If you would like to purchase a leavers hoody, this is the link: www.leaverswear.com/chsg. The deadline for ordering them is **this Sunday, 19th April** with a delivery date at the beginning of May.

The deadline for the final £10 payment for prom is also due at the end of April. Any queries or concerns about the prom or payment for prom can be directed to the Assistant Head of Year 11, Mrs Macallister Imacallister@carshaltongirls.org.uk.

Mrs Berry
Head of Year 11



YEAR 12

It has been a very positive start to the summer term, and we are looking forward to a busy and exciting few months ahead.

We are delighted to share that Sixth Form Leadership interviews recently took place with Mrs Norman and Mr Baumann-Winn. The standard of applications and interviews was incredibly high, making the process a very difficult one. We are pleased to announce the successful appointments to the leadership team:

- Head Girls: Daisy L, Chloe W and Isla H
- Deputy Head Girls: Siyona S, Yi Nuo C
- Heads of House: Wonuola A, Jessica A, Hannah S and Daisy P

A big congratulations to all students who applied – you represented yourselves exceptionally well.

In ACU this week, we explored the 'University search' function on Unifrog, using accurate and realistic grade predictions to begin identifying aspirational, solid and safe university options. This research will support more informed discussions with tutors during form time next week.

Looking ahead, the final exam season begins w/c 22nd June, and Aspirations Week (1st-3rd July) will provide three off-timetable days filled with workshops, enrichment opportunities and a theme park trip. Lastly, work experience will begin w/c 6th July.

We look forward to continuing to support students as they move through yet another important term.

Miss Robinson
Head of Year 12

YEAR 13

A wonderful welcome back to Year 13 after the Easter break. We are in the process of counting down to the start of public examinations. Subject teachers and the pastoral team are keeping a close eye on attendance and enforcing a 4-weeks to make a difference approach with specific focus on areas of improvements and getting exam practice.

In ACU this week we spoke about upcoming events such as prom, leavers hoodies and the leavers assembly. Information about leavers arrangements has been sent home already and more correspondence will be sent in the coming weeks. Also, top tips were shared about student bank accounts and how to get the best deals. In the run up to results day in August, we encourage parents/guardians to have a look through the following page on the UCAS website - [Confirmation and Clearing: The essentials | UCAS](#)

In order to help our Year 13s to be as prepared as possible, here are some helpful reminders to promote and develop good study habits:

- Parental Involvement - show an interest and be involved in how you help your child revise in whatever form this looks (e.g. quizzing, being time keeper, asking them to teach some information)
- Physical Health - 'healthy body, healthy mind' - think about incorporating a fitness routine as simple as going for a walk or a wind-down routine at night. Being consistent with routines will go a long way.
- Revision Timetables - these help to organise and focus students in order to prioritise and maximise their time. Timetables will have to be amended as exams are completed. Rest breaks are paramount to revision timetables being created or amended!
- Suitable Environment - having a tidy, clean space, with little distractions, will optimise how much can be done in the time given. Students have been told to simulate exam conditions as much as possible. The workrooms are available to use during the exam season. Having a clear distinction of work space and relaxation space naturally impacts productivity.
- Positive Mental Attitude - adopting a positive and optimistic attitude can do wonders for outcomes. We still acknowledge that worry is natural during the exam time and even beyond. Some positive mindset tips shared already are: practise affirmations, decorate the room with images of success to focus the mind, referring to the vision board made during ACU, or something as simple as packing the bag the night before to feel more settled. Having a 'can-do' attitude as much as possible is the goal.

As always, do get in contact if there are any questions.

Miss Ishola
Head of Year 13



CHSG Ski trip 2026

CHSG students had an unforgettable Alpine adventure over the Easter holidays with our annual week's ski trip to the high slopes of Passo Tonale.

After arriving on the Saturday, students had a ski fitting the following day before taking to the slopes for the first time. Over the course of the week pupils spent 5 hours a day on the slopes, developing technique and increasing confidence in a beautiful location. Students built on their confidence and skills over the next couple of days and a lot of fun and joy was had on the slopes! A big highlight was skiing down the slopes to our hotel as one big group!

The action continued off the slopes with evenings of pizza, quizzes, karaoke, and an intense room tidying competition. Students also had time around the town with some fabulous ice cream eaten, and we ended up with an awards night to celebrate all the fantastic work that had taken place over the week.

We are so proud of every single student who showed all of our values across the week. The resilience on display to continue to learn and develop was so fabulous and every single student was conquering tricky slopes by the last few days and making memories that they will remember for a very long time!

"I thought the Ski Trip was amazing, a once in a life time opportunity. I have made so many new friends that I say hi too everyday."

"The Ski Trip was a great learning experience and I really enjoyed it. Andiamo Veloce!"

2027's Ski Trip will be announced very soon. Please keep an eye out for the expression of interest form which will be available for all students in Year 8/9/10 (from September) and any returning students in Year 12. Exciting times ahead!

Mr Boulter, Mr Elstone, Miss Stanley, Miss Bahk and Miss Nedjai





Carshalton Athletic FC 2026 - 2027 Season GIRLS FOOTBALL TRIALS (Sunday football, Surrey Women's and Girls League)

TRIALS WILL BE HELD AT

War Memorial Sports Ground, Colston Ave, Sutton, Carshalton SM5 2PW

STADIUM TRAINING:

All teams benefit from weekly training and home games at the outstanding Colston Avenue Stadium, featuring an all-weather 3G pitch, a spacious clubhouse with excellent facilities, and ample front and rear parking.

PLAYERS:

We are seeking well-rounded, skilled players in all positions who are eager to challenge themselves and join one of our teams.

AGE GROUPS (PLAYERS GOING INTO SCHOOL YEAR) AND TRIAL DATES:

U13 (Player going into year 8) – Tuesday 19TH May @ 5pm

U14 (Player going into year 9) – Tuesday 19TH May @ 5pm

U15 (Player going into year 10) – Tuesday 19TH May @ 7pm

U16 (Player going into year 11/12) - Tuesday 19TH May @ 7pm

U18 (Player going into year 13) – Tuesday 19TH May @ 7pm

To register interest please go to our website or scan the QR code:



<https://form.123formbuilder.com/6935170> Or contact the club for more details on 0208 642 2551

www.carshaltonathletic.co.uk



Upcoming Events For Secondary Parents Summer Term 2026

Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

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.

**21ST APRIL 26
7 PM - 8 PM**

Managing Exam and
Assignment Stress
(Years 7-10)

**23RD APRIL 26
1 PM - 2 PM**

**10TH JUNE 26
1 PM - 2 PM**

Supporting your
teenager with
emotional
difficulties and
self-harm

**18TH JUNE 26
7 PM - 8 PM**

To view further event details and descriptions, and to book on to any of the webinars, please scan the QR Code or follow the link to our Eventbrite collection.

[Click here](#)



Education
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Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Managing Exam and Assignment Stress (Years 7-10)

Upcoming exams can be a stressful time for your teenager.

This workshop talks through some of the common challenges many young people face when their stress around revising or sitting an exam becomes too much. It will also cover how, as a parent or carer, you can best support your child to manage these feelings and do their best.



DATE / TIME

Tuesday 21st April
7.00-8.00pm



Scan the
QR code
or
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LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to either event
for free on Eventbrite
by scanning the QR Code.

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our other events by
[clicking here](#)

wellbeinginschoolsevents@swlstg.nhs.uk

DATE / TIME

Thursday 23rd April
1.00-2.00pm



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ACTIVITIES (APRIL – JUNE 2026) BOOKING FORM

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Check suttoncarerscentre.org for latest event list, more information and booking details.
See dates below. Monday - Friday 10-5pm or Tuesday until 8pm on 020 8296 5611.

ACTIVITIES	DESCRIPTION	AGES	DATE	TIME
INDUCTION EVENING	Induction Evening is our introductory session for Young Carers to access our service. This is also an opportunity for Young Carers who haven't engaged for a while to come and say hi to the YC team	8-25	Every third Tuesday of the month	4:00 - 5:30PM
CHILL & LEARN	'Chill and Learn' is a space at Sutton Carers Centre where you can come and complete your homework in a quiet environment, with support from other Young carers and the Young Carers Service. (Drinks & snacks are provided, arts, crafts, board games and wellbeing exercises take place when homework is completed).	8-17	Monday (Term-time)	3:30 - 5:00PM
PEER SUPPORT	A space at Sutton Carers Centre to connect with other Young Carers, whilst sharing support, information and advice. It is also a space to have fun and chill in a calm environment. (Drinks & snacks are provided, arts, crafts, board games and well-being exercises take place).	8-17	First Wednesday	3:30 - 5:00PM
18-25 DROP-IN	18+ Young Adult Carers are welcome to drop-in to gain support, information and advice. If you would like support from a member of the Young Carers team, please be aware we are only available between 4:00 - 6:00 pm.	18-25	Every Tuesday	4:00 - 8:00PM
YC AMBASSADORS	Ask us about joining the Young Carers Ambassadors! If you are passionate about championing the rights of Young Carers and raising awareness of the impact of caring, we want to hear from you!	8-25	Last Wednesday	3:30 - 5:00PM



to give us feedback!