#### Headteacher - Mr Stephen Lawlor



Inspiring the leaders of tomorrow to think for themselves and act for others

#### MESSAGE FROM MR LAWLOR

The start of this academic year marks the culmination of our most recent expansion to six forms of entry, which began in September 2020. We now have 180 girls and young women in each of our main school year groups, Years 7 to 11. Combined with our growing Sixth Form year groups, it is wonderful that our school is such a large, diverse and vibrant community. What a marvellous testament to the vision of the founders of CCHS. As ever, we are fortunate and privileged to welcome new students, in Year 12, to our school. What a blessing to be joined by more remarkable young women.

The next stage of our campus development and modernisation started over the Summer, which involves replacing the 1960's Crittall windows and fascia of the Art/Sixth Form study/SEND block. This £300,000 project, partly funded by a successful Condition Improvement Fund (CIF) bid, is anticipated to be completed by the end of the October half-term break and is a key step on our infrastructure improvement, energy efficiency and decarbonisation strategies. Many thanks to Mrs Mulgrew (Business Manager), Mr Free (Site Manager), Mr Field (Assistant Site Manager), Mr Hudson (Site Team) and Mr Clark (Site Team) for all their work co-ordinating and supporting this important project.

We look forward to the opportunities, events and activities which will frame this academic year, across so many areas, including lessons, clubs & societies, enrichment days, extra-curricular events, educational trips, the arts, sport, STEM, and so much more.

Thank you, in advance, to members of the CCHS community for all that will be done to ensure another positive and successful year for our school.



# Student Achievements

Have you got some news to share?

If so, please email Mrs Gross (jgross@cchs.co.uk) and attach a photo or logo, if applicable.

Sofia, (9A), belongs to Essex Dance Theatre and last term represented them as a member of Essex County Councils, County Youth Dance Company on their National Tour. She has performed and provided workshops at many primary, secondary schools, colleges, theatres and to Mayor's, both nationally and locally.

It has been an enriching experience providing her with performance and teaching experience in which she has gained confidence and discipline from what was a physically demanding 10 days.





Alexa, (12 FSE), who competed in Norwich at the 2024 Regional Open Water Championships last term.

She won double gold (Regional and County) in the 5km Open Water event, female 17-18 age group. She was actually the fastest female across all age groups in that event (time 54.37, well under an hour), and only four males were faster.



Alexa actually went one better than open water regional champion in August, finishing off her season in the pool as National Champion! She won gold in the 18 and over 100m freestyle at the Swim England National Summer Championships in Sheffield. She swam a lifestyle best in the heat to make the final, and then PB'd again to win it! A fantastic way to end her best ever season.

Brilliant, Alexa, many congratulations!



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Arushi, (13KRE), has been selected as one of two runners up in the FCDO Next Generation Economics Essay competition, of around 600 entries. She has been invited to visit the FCDO and LSE, and will receive £250 prize money. A fantastic achievement for a fantastic student.

She has also been shortlisted for the John Locke Institute Global Essay competition – this is the top 16.9% of 35,000 essays submitted globally. Siya, (13KRE), has also been shortlisted for this competition. They have both been invited to attend a gala dinner and awards ceremony in Mayfair, at which the winners will be announced.

Well done, Arushi and Siya!

Ciara, (9C), is runner-up in the BSHM Schools Essay Competition for her essay on the Chinese mathematician, Zu Chongzhi.

Well done, Ciara!

During the summer break started, Ríona, (9A), competed in the Bournemouth Summer Festival. This is the season Grande Finale for Ballroom and Latin dance in the UK.

She became the U14 UK Open and Closed Ballroom Champion, U14 UK Open and Closed Latin finalist. In U16 Ballroom, she took bronze in the Open Ballroom event and 4th in the Closed Championship; a fantastic achievement for a 13 year old, which was validated by wonderful feedback from the Chairman on the day.

Next up is the International Championships in October which see her move out of U14 and into U16 and 19.





Please be aware of your surroundings when dropping off and picking up students to and from school. The area directly outside our school, in Broomfield Road, is a very busy thoroughfare. A vehicle which is not parked safely can be dangerous for other vehicles, as can dropping off students in the buslane.





# ROAD SAFETY

### **Job Opportunity**

We are seeking a suitably qualified individual to join our caretaking team.

The role is part-time, and will comprise two days per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays), plus one in four weekends.

We are looking for someone who has good communication skills, is self-motivated, and has good organisational skills.

For further details, please visit our website: Vacancies at Chelmsford County High School for Girls (<u>cchs.co.uk</u>)

# on CCHS socials this week.



#### CCHS @CCHS4G · Sep 4

We are looking forward to welcoming our students this week, as we begin the new term and the 2024-25 Academic Year. cchs.co.uk



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# HOUSE CLOTHING COLLECTION 17TH SEPTEMBER 2024 MAIN HALL BEFORE 9AM



PLEASE FILL BAGS AND TAKE TO THE HALL BRFORE 9AM

ADULTS AND CHILDREN'S CLOTHING
PAIRED SHOES, HANDBAGS, BELTS, HATS, JEWELLERY
TOILETRIES, PERFUMES, SOUVENIRS, UNWANTED GIFTS

ITEMS RESOLD BY HAPPY SCHOOLBAG AT SECONDHAND MARKETS



# Chelmsford County High School for Girls

# Keep on suimming!

#### Context

The CCHS swimming pool was built in the 1960s, partly from funds raised by CCHS families. Dedicated upgrading and maintenance work over the years has ensured that the pool has served generations of students and young people across the Chelmsford community.

At the moment, our pool supports the PE curriculum for our 1,162 students, as well as nearly 200 pupils from five local primary schools, and nearly 600 young people from the wider community who use our pool with clubs.

Our swimming pool is truly a community pool.

#### Goal

Now is the time to modernise this important community resource to preserve it for future generations of students, pupils and young people. We are asking for your support now, just as the CCHS community rallied in the 1960s to ensure a pool was built, to help us achieve this important goal.

### **Fundraising**

We estimate that the pool will require up to £250,000 over the next two years to bring it back to a suitable condition to support swimming in our community for the foreseeable future.

Our immediate need is to replace our aged boiler and gas pipework, which will cost approximately £35,000.

We will be organising some sponsored events and other fundraising activities, however if you are able to support us with any amount, we have a fundraising page available at

https://www.totalgiving.co.uk /appeal/Keep-CCHS-Swimming

