

# THE CHALFONTS COMMUNITY **Chronicle**

*"Success is an Attitude..."*

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Russell Denial  
Principal

I would like to begin by wishing everyone a very warm welcome back and a very Happy New Year. Christmas is one of the most exciting times of year and it can certainly be one of the busiest! I hope you all found time to get some well-deserved rest.

The end of term finished with a fabulous carol concert in one of our local churches where students across all year groups performed to family and friends. A highlight for me was the number of original songs that were performed which really showcased the talent that we have in abundance at The Chalfonts Community College.

The term ahead is certainly a very busy one but it is incredibly short. We have the Year 11 and Year 7 Parents' Evenings to squeeze in before half term. Year 8 will be making their option choices before the ski trip jets off to Andorra for some winter snow. Some of our Year 12 Geographers also will be going on a trip to Iceland; both incredible opportunities.

I genuinely feel that one of the great aspects of our school is that whilst we maintain incredibly high standards and exam results, we offer many more opportunities beyond the classroom. We even have over 170 of our students currently enrolled in the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, which is a life changing and incredible opportunity.

It is at this point of year though that I do start to have thoughts for our students that are now on the downward slope to public examinations. There is some hard work, confidence and self-belief needed in the coming weeks. After all, we break up for Easter in 49 school days' time...something that our Year 11 and Year 13 need to be ready for! We will of course put on plenty of revision sessions and practise exam work though the Easter holidays to make sure that they are as ready as possible.

On a final note, since my arrival in June 2016, it has been important to me to gain feedback from a range of audiences on what is working well and what we could do better.

We have worked with the Local Authority, staff, students, Ofsted, and of course, our parents. Recently we sent out to parents the feedback from our last survey about what we had done in response to information and comments we had received. We are repeating this process now so we can continue to be an improving school as well as work in partnership with all of our stakeholders. We would be very grateful if you would take just a few minutes to complete the survey and offer us some feedback. Thank you in anticipation for your feedback and continued support.



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## “He’s behind you!!”

The sixth form Christmas pantomime, a tradition at The Chalfonts Community College, is a time where students and staff alike can ‘let their hair down’ and have a little fun. Panto this year was no exception, as students from Year 12 and 13 put on a very entertaining performance of ‘Beauty and the Beast’. The students brought a classical performance of ‘Beauty and the Beast’ into modern times, set in The Chalfonts Community College and Chalfonts Youth Club. With key characters like the Beast, Belle and Madame De La Grande Bouche (the wardrobe) keeping their original elements, some funny adaptations were made such as the Uber Driver, Fizzy Pop and Chips, instead of Mrs Potts and Chip. We look forward to seeing what our next intake of sixth formers have in store for us next Christmas!



Rebecca Wells, Leader for Drama





## Year 8K3

### Thinking of Others at Christmas

Whilst preparing for our Christmas assembly, 8K3 students were thinking about how we could make a difference to those children who are less fortunate than us.

As a result we organised, through Tesco's Community Outreach, to work with Thames Valley Police to provide a shoe box of gifts for those children who would not receive anything this Christmas. All Year 8 tutor groups were given a shoebox to donate small items for children who were put into emergency care over the Christmas break. They managed to collect loads of amazing items which were then collated into boxes by age and gender.

8K3 would like to thank all Year 8 students, parents and tutors for their fantastic contributions. Thank you and happy 2018!



Catherine Adams, 8K3 Tutor



## Spencer Does it Again!

ITF Taekwon-Do is a Martial Art with four distinct facets. It is a sport, a martial art, a way of life and a tool for social development.

In a recent ITF competition, Spencer won Gold in Patterns and Silver in Sparring, despite a bloody nose in the first round and having to compete with an older and heavier opponent; he's a lightweight and his opponent is in the heavyweight class.

This adds to an already successful season of high level competition and we congratulate him for his resilience and determination.



# IMPORTANT

## Year 9 Injections

Consent forms should have been returned before Christmas. Over 120 are still outstanding! Please will parents return these forms ASAP. Paper copies are available in the Medical room if needed.

# SIXTH FORM NEWS

MARTYN WAY  
LEADER FOR SIXTH FORM

Congratulations to Craig Whyte in Year 13 for playing rugby for Bucks County this season. Craig has also made it into the final selection group for England (South West Counties).



Well done to Oliver Jackson in Year 12 who came sixth in the Buckinghamshire Cross Country Championships in the under 17 age category.



## Christmas Hamper

Help someone in need this Christmas

A big thank you to Sixth Form students for their generosity with the Christmas Hampers. All tutor groups in Year 12 and Year 13 donated food which was then packed in to hampers and delivered to Gold Hill Baptist Church to pass on to those in need.



# ‘Five ways to Wellbeing’



Included in the recent staff training day was a 'Wellbeing' hour where staff had a time-out session to concentrate on other activities. There were indian cookery, walking, HIIT training, virtual reality, colouring, meditation, mindfulness and a taught session in clay sculpture.

“The staff made wonderful clay owls that could be personalised. I had some splendid comments about how relaxed they felt as they did their sculptures. It allowed them to escape from the stress that is associated with returning to work. I was extremely impressed by the outcomes and proud of their efforts.

Well Done Chalfonts Staff!”

Kristi Blick



# Thinking of Moving?

Sell your home through Hilton King & Locke and as a homeowner with a child attending

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If you already have an agreement with another agent on a sole agency basis, you may be liable to pay two commissions if you appoint a second agent now. However, if you would like to have an informal discussion at this stage or you have not sold your property when any such agreement expires, we will be happy to help you.



The Chalfonts Community College is working in partnership with School Lettings Solutions to utilise our facilities during evenings, weekends and school holidays, creating a community network with clubs and groups within the area.

SLS have a dedicated School Leisure and Sports Manager who is responsible for taking bookings of the facilities, ensuring that the main focus for school staff is pupil attainment and day-to-day responsibilities.

Facilities include an astro turf pitch, gymnasium, grass pitches & much more. To hire a facility or for more information about what SLS can offer, please visit their dedicated lettings website <http://chalfonts.schoolbookings.co.uk/> or contact the School Leisure and Sports Manager on 0151 515 6556



**Needed**

We would welcome donations of PE kit that students have grown out of or no longer need. This includes old trainers and football boots too.

The PE department need as much spare kit as possible. It's extremely useful for when students forget to bring theirs in. We can then give them spares to participate.

**Please deliver to reception**





# Sports Fixures



Date	Year	Sport	Versus	Home/Away	Staff	Approx Pick up time
Mon 15th Jan	12/13	Basketball	Chesham Grammar	Home	DCY	1700
Weds 17th Jan	7 - 9	Badminton	School Games Qualifier	Away DCHS		1730
	11	Basketball	DCGS	Home	HWD	1700
Thurs 18th Jan	10	County Cup	Denbigh	Away	FCT	1730
Mon 22nd Jan	7	Basketball	Risborough	Away	CHA	1730
	12/13	Basketball	Amersham	Home	DCY	1700
Tues 23rd Jan	9	Basketball	Risborough	Away	FCT	1730
Weds 24th Jan	10/11	Badminton	School Games Qualifier	Away DCHS		1730
	12/13	Basketball	DCGS	Home	DCY	1700
	8	Basketball	DCGS	Away	HDN	1730

## meeting

The next meeting of the Chalfonts Community College Association (CCCA) will take place at 7pm on Monday 15th January.

If you'd like to get involved or simply find out a bit more about the CCCA please do come along.

We' will be planning events for the Spring Term including Year 7 and 8 Disco on Friday 9th February and the annual Quiz Night on Friday 9th March.

Also, please consider donating any unwanted Christmas gifts to the CCCA via the school office. Your donations are really important to us and can be used as raffle/tombola prizes at future events.

## Dates for your Diary

Weds 17th January - Winter Reports Issued for All Years

Thurs 18th January - Y10 Reading Scholars Trip to Reading University

Friday 20th January - Y12 BTEC Performing Arts Rehearsal and Live Performance

Thurs 25th January - Y11 Parents' Evening 4:30pm - 7:00pm

# Information

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Look for 'School News' in your app store and keep up to date with the latest news and events at the college.

We are now using the app to push through PE cancellations, job/apprenticeship opportunities as well as all our other everyday news.







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