



THE CHALFONTS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

October 2024

# CHALFONTS NEWS



*Success is an Attitude*

*Issue 24*



Aerial View  
of The CCC  
- Taken by  
**Joshua Lindsay**  
(11K3) by  
helicopter  
on Work  
Experience

**Our  
School's  
Four Core Values;**

**Courteous  
Community Minded**

**Conscientious  
and Committed**



## Acts Of Kindness

**Willow Judd** (8G3) wanted to create a Halloween display in the LRC. She chose all the books herself, cut out, laminated and covered the bookshelf in pumpkins, all taking her a few days. Thank you Willow, we think it looks spooktacular!

The author, Darren Shan, even gave his approval!



## VOLUNTEER



Over 100 students, throughout the school, volunteered to be tour guides for the Open Evening on 9th October. Thank you to everyone who gave up their free time to help.

## Year 7 City Build 23 July 2024

On 23 July the Geography Department had the entire Year 7 group in the hall for the day building their sustainable city.

Students were invited to research and construct a sustainable house, which would then be built up into a city area for the future. Each tutor group took over a section of the hall and they were responsible for designing the layout of their own area.

The rules were simple:

1. It needed to generate its own renewable energy.
2. The citizens needed to have loads of green space and water.
3. Cars were strictly forbidden unless they were electric, hybrid or Hydrogen
4. Cycle-paths and walkways needed to connect the neighbourhood.
5. The building could only be made from recyclable material.

The noise was incredible, there was lots of screaming, raised voices, sulking and tears, but eventually the judges came to their decision. Ms. Brooks 7G1 had not only explained their design in detail and clearly worked as a team, but their buildings had also ticked all the boxes with style and attention to detail. The judges were **Mrs. Whithead, Ms. Jones, Ms. Procopi, Ms. Roser, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Knutton and Ms. Pearsall.**

The individual winners were **Caitlan M, Preston H and Parker S.** The City-Build is one of the highlights of the Year Seven Calendar both for the staff and the students. Everyone pitches in from the site team, through Learning Support, Art Department, Media Studies, Technology, Senior Leaders, Reception, Librarians, Year Leaders, Class teachers on the day, Pastoral Support, parents, grandparents and, of course the Humanities team with whose encouragement and hard work the madness would not happen.

**Mr Keane - Subject Leader for Geography**

Like Comment Send Share

Darren Shan verified and 6 others

Top comments -

Darren Shan verified 2,296 points  
That's amazing!! Thanks so much for sharing! ❤️❤️❤️

Bh Love Reply

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# Be Kind

# Sustainable City





## Interview with our New Head Boy - **Harrison Tindall**

**What are you studying at The Chalfonts Community College, and what made you decide to stay here at Sixth Form?**

*I am currently studying Media, English and History. I decided to stay on due to the supportive and caring teachers. They helped me to achieve my potential in my GCSE's, which I hope to repeat in my exams this year.*

**Do you know what you would like to do when you leave Sixth Form?**

*I would like to go to University and study film and TV so I can one day become a film director.*

**What do you want to achieve as Head Boy?**

*I want to make sure the updates and improvements carry on such as the new 6th form cafeteria and new study area. I also want to get the students from all years more involved in discussing things we can do to elevate the*

*school. I believe everyone should have a say.*

**What is your greatest achievement so far?**

*Probably becoming head boy, it is quite an honour and very exciting.*

**What does it feel like being voted for by peers and teachers?**

*I feel very flattered, knowing that they put their trust in me and Jenna's decisions. I hope I don't let them down.*

**What is your favourite book and why?**

*My favourite book has to be **The Bourne Identity** by Robert Ludlum because it has a lot of great twists and turns.*

**What is your favourite film and why?**

***The Batman** because it had the best portrayal of Batman on film and is one of the best looking films of all time.*

**Interview continues below...**

## Interview with our New Head Girl - **Jenna May**

**What are you studying at The CCC, and what made you decide to stay here for Sixth Form?**

*I am currently studying Maths, Media and Psychology at A-level. I chose to stay at here for Sixth form because I love the environment and felt comfort in the fact my teachers all know me. I knew they would continue their support with me through my time in the Sixth Form, while also being given more freedom to focus on my personal development.*

**Do you know what you would like to do when you leave Sixth Form?**

*I am planning on going to university to study Media with the hopes of eventually getting into the media industry. While I'm not quite sure exactly where yet, I know I would love to continue my passion for media by studying it in further depth. At the moment, I think the end goal is to work in film marketing. I also hope to travel to every part of the globe and experience different cultures and ways of living.*

**What do you want to achieve as Head Girl?**

*As Head Girl, I want to make a positive impact and help the school community. I intend to lead by example, promote a positive and inclusive school culture, listen to the concerns of fellow students, and work with the school leadership team to implement initiatives that benefit the student body. I will make sure whatever people's interests are, they are able to find a friend and build a community. I want to encourage others to contribute as much as possible and embrace any new ideas and opinions. This will give me the opportunity to give something back to my teachers, peers and students in the lower years during my final year at The Chalfonts.*

**What is your greatest achievement so far?**

*My greatest achievement has definitely been gaining my position as Head Girl. After a competitive process with input from all of the staff, the fact that I have been selected is definitely a massive achievement. The excitement of finding out I had become Head Girl, and whilst it wasn't something I was originally aiming for, the process started when I found out I had even been nominated for the role. It was then that I realised this would be a great reward and was a chance to end my*

## CONGRATULATIONS to our new Head Boy **Harrison Tindall**

**...Interview continued**

**What would you be doing if you weren't in school, hobbies etc?**

*I would perhaps be drawing comic characters or watching films/TV.*

**What would be your fantasy holiday destination, and why?**

*I wouldn't mind going to Japan, as it has a really interesting culture that is quite unique.*

**What message would you like to say to younger students?**

*Keep going when it gets tough. You are resilient and can always overcome the challenges you face. Your friends, family and teachers are there to support you. When you overcome these challenges, you will achieve greatness.*



*time at The Chalfonts at such a high level and I realised this was something I really wanted.*

**What does it feel like being voted for by peers and teachers?**

*I have always been very aware of the significant and demanding nature of this role. I felt extremely honoured that my teachers and peers saw attributes within me that made them feel they could trust me with the responsibilities associated with being Head Girl.*

**What is your favourite book and why?**

*My favourite book is **The Secret History** by Donna Tartt. It focuses around six students in a college Greek class who got accidentally wrapped up in a world of murder and lies. While being quite lengthy, this book keeps you enthralled and hanging on every word.*

**What is your favourite film and why?**

*I have many favourite films but one that definitely pops into my head is a film I saw recently, **Blink Twice**. This is due to the cast, writing and cinematography.*

## CONGRATULATIONS to our new Head Girl **Jenna May**

*I was hooked from beginning to end; there was suspense, it's a thriller, it's funny and authentic. You follow along and there are clues but once we finally found out what was going on, the plot twist was horrifying yet genius. There were so many hidden meanings throughout the film which altogether made it such a thrilling watch. I love how the ending of the film was left open ended to an extent and there were many different interpretations which I love discussing with others. I loved watching the girlhood in the film and I think womanhood was captured on screen so perfectly, with it feeling genuine and authentic.*

**What would you be doing if you weren't in school, hobbies etc?**

*I love the art of storytelling; through reading, films and music. These all have meaning to me as it's how I try to understand the world around me and my place in it. If I wasn't at school, I would love to continue my passion for these, maybe through an apprenticeship within this field.*

**Interview continues on Page 6**



...Interview continued

**What would be your fantasy holiday destination, and why?**

*My dream holiday destination would definitely be Japan. I hope to go there some day and experience their culture and beautiful natural landscapes and dig deeper into the history of the country.*

**What message would you like to say to younger students?**

*The message I would like to give younger students would be to not hold yourself back. Believe in yourself and always try to maintain a positive attitude, throw yourself into new opportunities as you have no idea where they may take you.*



## What's Happening in the Sixth Form

CCC Sixth Formers (and staff!) enjoyed a hugely successful Personal Development Fair at the start of term!

It was a fantastic opportunity to meet other Sixth Formers, ask questions to our Head Boy and Head Girl, take part in a few brain training challenges and of course, take away some sweets!

The main offering, however, was the opportunity to sign up to over 30 Personal Development/Enrichment opportunities taking place for the year ahead - from The Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award to Mentoring, Young Enterprise, The Chalfont Debate Society and The Sixth Form Event Team to name but a few!

Updates to follow!

To find out more and keep up-to-date with what's going on in the Sixth Form follow us on instagram: [@sixthformatthechalfonts](https://www.instagram.com/sixthformatthechalfonts)

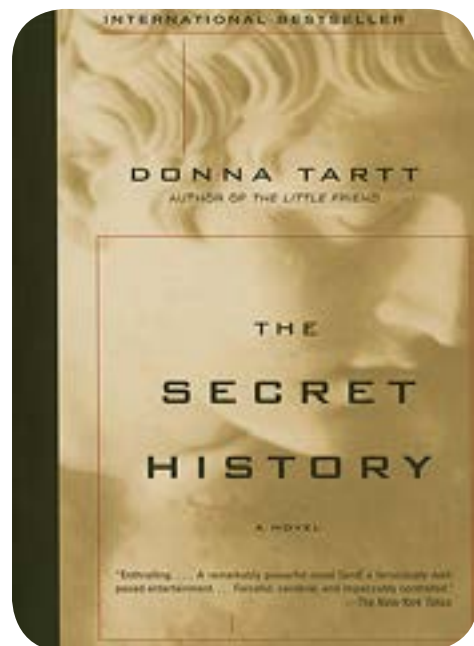
Please scan the QR code at the bottom of the page for more information.

**Ms White - Sixth Form Study Centre Manager & Administrator**



## Head Girl Jenna May Interview Continued

## Sixth Form News



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# Coming Soon...



**WE WILL ROCK  
YOU!**

## Business Subscription Box

**Pritvi V** and **Balarko B**, both in Year 10, really got into the spirit of creating a well planned subscription box business. They presented it to the class and had answers to student questions. Their subscription box was involving car cleaning products. They have made an excellent start to their GCSE in Business Studies.

**Mr Howard - Assistant Principal**



## MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who baked, faked and donated for our Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning on Friday 27th September.

We had a great selection of goodies to fill up on, and these even spilt over into Monday for more consumption.

We managed to raise **£87.80** so thank you again to everyone who popped up to the staff room and donated

**Miss Shaw - PA to the Principal**



# School Snippets

## News from the LRC

The LRC has enjoyed welcoming our new Year 7 students and we have been holding Library Induction sessions with their English teachers. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the students a little better and encourage reading within our school community.

We have had a sort through our revision book section filtering out some much older texts and those that have seen better days! If any students or staff have any current revision guides that they would be willing to donate, these will be gratefully received.

As part of our ongoing fundraising, we are having a cake sale at the end of half term. The LRC is in need of an update and we would love to get some new flooring and redecorate the room.

**Mrs Lindsay, Miss Vinten and Miss Gilbert - LRC Staff**





## Employability Skills Day

Tuesday 28th January - 8.45am-1.35pm

Every year the Careers department has an Employability Day for our Year 11 students. The objective of the event is to help to answer that critical question; "What do I want to do when I leave school?" It also gives the students a clearer perspective on the different career and educational paths open to them and in turn will help them make the best career choices.

I have received tremendous feedback from those students who attended last year's event, and I am using their feedback to further enhance the current Year 11 student's first experience of the workplace and help them to answer that all important question. The success of the event is achieved through everyone working together. Firstly, I need volunteers to provide support on the day please and secondly, through utilising our parents/carers networks, I would like to identify new companies and/or individuals who can give our students an understanding of a broad range of industries and work sectors.

Can I request that you ask the company you work for to determine whether it can attend our careers fair and take a stand if so, I would love to hear from you, similarly if you are experienced in interviewing and could volunteer an hour of your day to interview a few students, again I would love to hear from you?

Thanks in advance for any support you can provide to the school for what is a very important step in our students futures.

Miss Vinten - Employability and Careers Leader



## An Alumni Returns

We had the pleasure of welcoming Daniel Riley, one of our Alumni to talk to our students about his career journey on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October. I would like to thank Daniel for taking the time out of his busy schedule to inspire our students and pass on his words of wisdom and life experience. Daniel is a magician and has performed for Katy Perry and Prince Harry and is and is studying a PHD in Psychology. What an amazing career journey so far.

Daniel posted the below comments on his social media.

*"Over the last few days I've been asked to come in to my old school and deliver a talk about my time attending there, my career and life.*

*The first talk was this morning and I was rather nervous about how it would be received by a hall of 12-13 year olds.*

*I can honestly say I was taken aback, not only taken by the amount of attention they were paying (they were fixed), but the looks on their faces as if no-one had ever told them to pursue a passion, how grades and a piece of paper don't define who you are. Life is FULL of 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th chances if you are willing to take them, say yes to life and pursue a passion.*

*They never looked away or spoke during the entire talk, many raised hands for questions at the end.*

*It remains my hope that this resonated at a deeper level with those who really needed to hear;*

*'You are not defined by a piece of paper, you are defined by how you choose to act in this world.'*

Miss Vinten - Employability and Careers Leader



Event Request



# 28.01.25

*Please can you  
Save the  
Date!*

## Employability Skills Day

The Chalfonts  
Community College

# Special Guest Assemblies

## Safeguarding Week

As part of our annual Safeguarding Week, CCC were proud to host Alison Cope as our Key note speaker for this year.

Alison Cope is the mother of Joshua Ribera who was murdered in 2013.

She now works tirelessly to help prevent youth violence by sharing her son's unique life and death story to help educate young people on the realities and consequences of youth violence. Her powerful presentations convey: the importance of prevention, the emotive realisation of how choices and the use of social media affect loved ones and how young people retain hope for the future.

Please feel free to read more about Alison Cope and her work by clicking [here](#).

Alison spoke to each year group in an age appropriate manner during Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th October assembly, as well as also hosting a parental presentation on Monday evening. Although hard hitting, Alison's message really did resonate and impact upon all members of the school community – both staff and students alike. We hope by hearing Alison's message it will empower our students to think more carefully about the choices they decide to make and understand the consequences of what their actions (including in the online world) can have both for themselves and others.

Please [click here](#) to gain an understanding of the message that Alison shares with our students.

Mrs Wall - Assistant Principal: Safeguarding & DSL





## Windsor Forest Colleges Group Comes to CCC

We had the pleasure of welcoming **The Windsor Forest Colleges Group** to our Year 11 assembly on Monday 7th October.

**Claire Griffiths** spoke to our students about what **Windsor College, BCA, and Langley** offer to study as qualifications and educational pathways after GCSE's for example; T-Levels, BTec, Vocational courses and Apprenticeships. Claire suggested visiting an open day and then finding out more about the courses they offer and the state of the art facilities not to mention all the extra curricular activities.

### Open days:

**BCA**  
Saturday 16th November 2024 – 10.00am-2.00pm

**Langley College**  
Wednesday 6th November 2024 – 4.00pm-6:30pm  
Wednesday 5th February 2025 – 4.00pm-6:30pm

**Windsor College**  
Tuesday 25th February 2025 – 4.30-7.00pm

**Miss Vinten - Employability and Careers Leader**



## Chalfonts Success Stories

**Name:** Simon Lam

**What is your current role and who do you work for now?**

*I am an Access Services Co-ordinator*

*at Sky, where I organise the preparation of subtitles and audio description for the programmes you watch every day. This includes entertainment titles, movies and live sports. Our current highest priority title is House Of The Dragon, Season 2. Before, I spent eight years in the film industry, where I worked on over 70 productions across the world. My career highlights include three Star Wars movies, Avengers: Endgame, Bond: No Time To Die, Alien: Covenant, Transformers, and many more. I worked in the Assistant Directors, Production and Locations department on set.*

### Tell us a bit about your job.

*Currently as an Access Services Coordinator at Sky, my responsibilities include scheduling, processing the completed subtitle/audio description files, and dealing with any technical issues that may arise. There are countless layers and processes that we have to go through that people at home aren't aware of; all to ensure that everyone is able to enjoy their favourite content as easily as possible. That's what drives us, and our entire team is passionate about content and the service we provide.*

*Before when I worked in the film industry, I had a variety of duties as we were constantly travelling to different locations on set. Every day was genuinely very different, as for one day I could be on board a nuclear submarine, or preparing the streets for major explosions/car crashes in London, or clearing up a starship in between takes. Generally my duties would include knocking for actors, bringing them through make up, costume and travel with them on set, directing extras and giving them actions during busy scenes, and finally prepping each location before other crew members arrive.*

# More Special Guest Assemblies

# Chalfonts Alumni



*My favourite responsibility was during Wonder Woman 2. We filmed this over in Leavesden Studios, which used to be old aircraft hangers before we converted them to film stages. As such, they didn't provide much insulation. It was a particularly cold November evening, so one of my main duties that day was to quickly run in with a heater to warm up our lead actress Gal Gadot, and then quickly run out of the frame just before they were ready to call action again. Fun fact, in any scene where you can't see her bottom half, she's frequently wearing jeans and Uggs to deal with how cold the shoot was.*

*the customer what they want, and these site visits are always fun and interesting.*

**What did you study at The Chalfonts Community College and which years were you in Chalfont?**

*I was at The Chalfonts Community College from 2000 to 2007, where I graduated with A Levels in Media Studies, Art and ICT.*

**What inspired you about doing this role? When did you decide to take this career?**

*For me, I was always fascinated by the world of the silver screen. When you go to the cinema, you are instantly transported into an amazing world, and I wanted anything to be part of that. However, I was never sure about how to make that goal a reality. I lived in the middle of nowhere, I didn't have any connections, money, influence or knew of anyone in the industry.*

*My journey started at Chalfonts, my media studies teacher needed an assistant to help him before school with some basic prep. So of course, knowing nothing, I applied. It was just an hour before school, once a week. Nothing too complicated, just charging cameras, photocopying, creating presentations. However, I'll always be thankful for that experience, as his reference was the key to my entry to a top UK university for Film and Television Studies. For my specific industry, you don't need a university degree. However, I was able to speak to other like minded individuals, develop my skills, increase my knowledge base, and all of us would help each other out to progress in our careers.*

*For me, the hardest part was learning how to make this imaginary goal of mine a reality. Realising that it is*



an attainable goal, and you can take solid steps towards this, was the key to my accomplishments.

**What tips would you give to students about their future careers?**

My advice would be to keep learning as much as you can, even after you graduate. Try not to see it as a chore, and find something that interests you. There are plenty of free resources online, where you can learn skills and even build a career out of it. For instance, film editing, photography, web design, programming, or even learn a language. No matter what industry you land in, it will always benefit you to become multi-skilled. Also take the time to learn adult life skills as early as possible, as they won't teach you this in class. This includes basic accounting, budgeting and investing. This will help you in the long run.

Don't be afraid to do the dirty work, people will always recognise that, but at the same time, don't let people take advantage of you either. Learn to communicate efficiently and effectively at all levels of life, whether it's a Hollywood superstar, or a new intern, everyone

deserves to be treated the same, and with respect. Never be late. I have personally seen new starters get fired in my industry, just for being a few minutes late. Excellent time management will always benefit you. It might not seem like much, but it's about respect for you and other peoples' time. Network, make contacts, create genuine connections, surround yourself with like minded people; but don't fake it or force it.

Finally some more practical advice, if you're ever applying for a highly competitive company. Take some time to finally tune your CV. Large companies shift through an unspeakable amount of applications, so tailor your CV/cover letter so it matches that particular job description, rather than creating a general one. Be sure to include keywords and skills that are mentioned in the description so it has a better chance of getting through the algorithm. When creating a CV, less is more, two pages or less.

**Introducing our Pastoral Hub**

We have opened up our brand new Pastoral Hub which was created and refurbished over the summer holiday. Our Pastoral is "an approachable, safe and comfortable space for students that may be having a difficult day".

The Pastoral team wear many hats at our school; supporting students, parents, Year Leaders and teachers with behaviour management and remove barriers to learn. We also are the forgotten uniform swap shop, equipment to loan for learning kit, a safe quiet space and we complete one to one interventions.

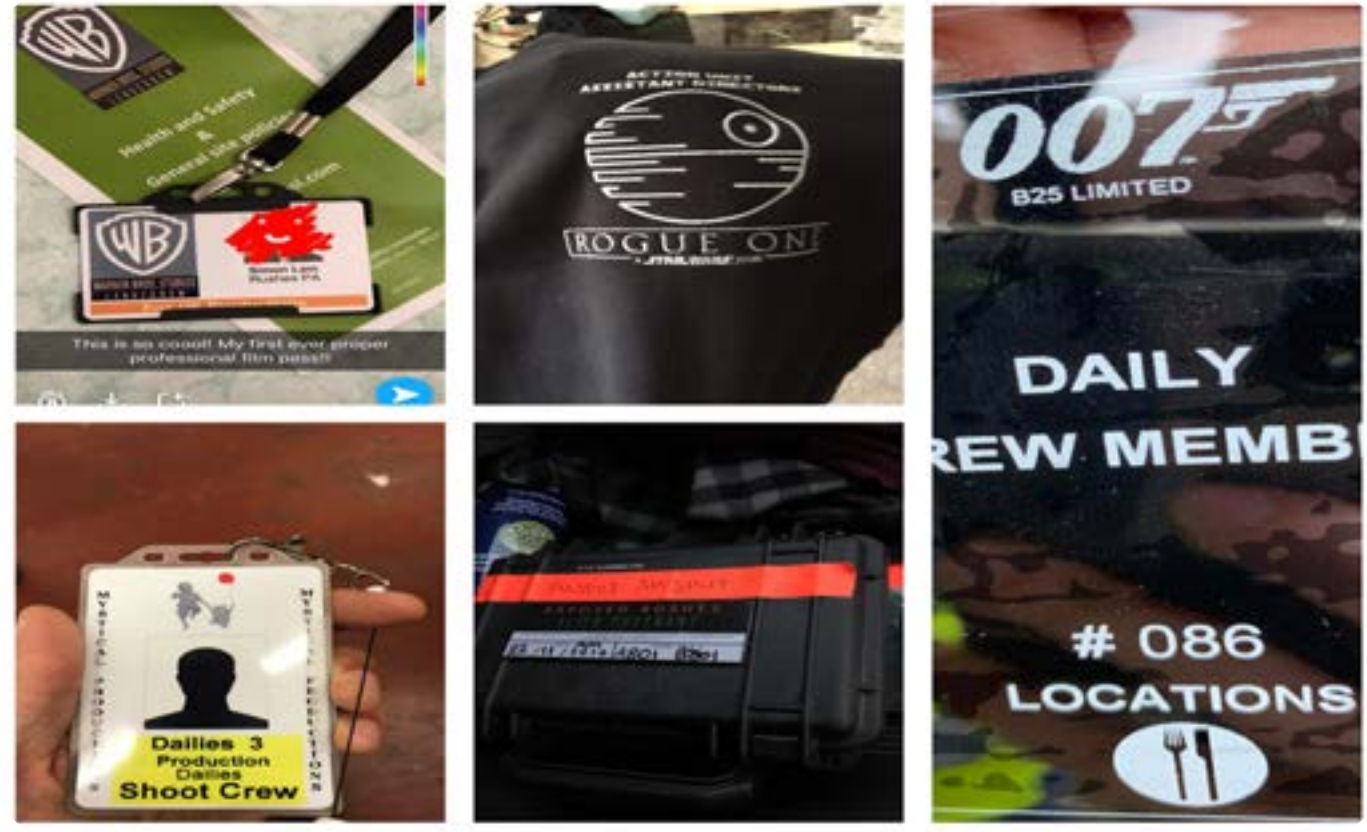
Our facilities include books, colouring, and board games for the students as well as creating a quiet space at break and lunch.

We would like to thank the local community for supporting us and supplying us with furniture. A big and special thank you to **Richard Jones** from **Constain Group** for supplying the furniture and **Matt** from **Cubed Construction** for transporting the furniture to us.

**Pastoral Team**



# Chalfonts Alumni Continued Pastoral Hub





## Year 12 Fine Art Indulgent Paintings

Year 12 Fine Art students have made a fantastic start to their project Passions and Obsessions. First the students photographed sweets, drew them onto small canvasses then experimented with different blending techniques using oil paint. The students will now develop their projects based on their own passions and obsessions.

Art Department



## SORA

Since we launched SORA, our free reading app, over the summer we are delighted to say that **300 books** have been read, which is brilliant!

Please can I request, if you have not downloaded the app on your phone/chromebook already, that you do so following the instructions.

Install the Sora app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or go to [soraapp.com](http://soraapp.com).

- In Sora, find your school (The Chalfonts Community College), then sign in.
- Browse the Explore tab and borrow a book. Your book will open so you can start reading right away
- Close the book and go to your Shelf to see all your books (including assignments).

From there, you can:

- Tap Open Book or Open Audiobook to read or listen to the book.
- Tap Options to renew or return the book, get to your notes and highlights, and more

SORA has a wide range of up to date books with extra functions listed below.



# Amazing Art

## Art

If you took part in the Art workshops for **Enrichment Week**, please come up to **Art 2** at break or lunch to collect your clay pieces, you may wish to bring a small box.

Thank you.

Ms Huckle - Art Technician



## A few benefits for using the SORA App below;

- It has 5,000 books the students and teachers can access up to date and classics (not revision)
- Audio Books available
- Foreign Language books (x32 Ukrainian also Spanish, Italian, Polish, Portuguese etc)
- Font can be changed to an easy read for dyslexic students
- Manga books - x150 of these. Our LRC has very few and are always out on loan
- Comics corner x320 different ones
- Updated every quarter to include new and relevant titles for schools
- Waiting lists for the popular books waiting time is a maximum of one week
- If the student does not understand a word you can highlight it for it to be explained

LRC



# SORA Summer Reading Competition Winners

During the summer, we held a SORA Reading Competition to promote all the brilliant things SORA has to offer. Our top readers have received a **Gerrards Cross Bookshop voucher** and a queue jump card to use at the school cafes in recognition of their achievement.

While SORA is a fantastic free resource for all students (and staff) to use, we also have a brilliant facility inside school, our wonderful Learning Resource Centre (LRC) which we encourage everyone to visit and make use of. Not only can you play board games, research information to support your lessons and do your homework, you can also take out a book and we have a huge selection available!

Please do pop in and say hello.

Congratulations to our prize winners –

- Year 8**  
**Xinyue Ni** 8K2  
**Emma Nicholas** 8K4  
**Oleksii Skliar** 8K2  
**Evie Fowler** 8K4

- Year 9**  
**Amber Backhouse** 9G2

- Year 10**  
**Meghan McCarthy** 10K2

Mrs Lindsay – LRC Manager



# Benefits of reading daily

- Reading is exercise for the brain.
- Improves your focus and concentration.
- Reading is a way to escape your own life, and can take you to faraway lands from the comfort of a chair.
- Increases your vocabulary.
- Strengthen your writing skills.
- Expands your knowledge.
- Gives you a mood boost.
- Stronger analytical thinking skills.
- Reading regularly will increase your memory.
- Reduces stress, worry or tension.
- If you read a book before you go to bed it helps you relax and go to sleep.
- The most important benefit is FUN...



# All About Books

# Benefits of Reading!



**'Wordle'**  
 Fancy a game of **'Wordle'**? Then [click here](#) to play. ENJOY!



**Word of the Term**  
**Miss Tahmazian's favourite word is...**  
**Defenestration**  
**Meaning** - the act of throwing something or someone out of a window.

# Why Read *at home?*

**STUDENT A READS**  
 • 20 minutes per day  
 • 3,600 minutes per school year  
 • 1,800,000 words per year



**SCORES IN THE 90TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS**

**STUDENT B READS**  
 • 5 minutes per day  
 • 900 minutes per school year  
 • 282,000 words per year



**SCORES IN THE 50TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS**

**STUDENT C READS**  
 • 1 minute per day  
 • 180 minutes per school year  
 • 8,000 words per year



**SCORES IN THE 10TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS**



## Book Reviews

Every week **Miss Gilbert** recommends a book for Key Stage 3, 4 and Sixth Form. These are her latest recommendations.

### The Reappearance Of Rachel Price

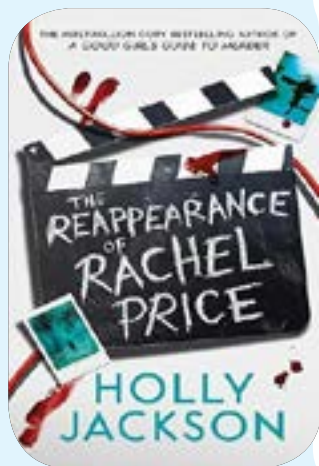
**By** Holly Jackson  
**Genre:** Crime/Thriller

#### Blurb:

A stunning new thriller from the bestselling author of *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder!*

18-year-old Bel has lived her whole life in the shadow of her mom's mysterious disappearance. Sixteen years ago, Rachel Price vanished and young Bel was the only witness. Rachel is gone, presumed dead.

*The case is dragged up from the past when the Price family agree to a true crime documentary. Bel can't wait for filming to end, for life to go back to normal. But then Rachel Price reappears, and life will never be normal again ...*



### The Two Towers

**By** J.R.R. Tolkien  
**Genre:** Fantasy/Classic

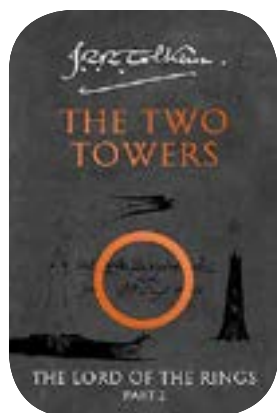
#### Blurb:

The second part of J.R.R. Tolkien's epic adventure *THE LORD OF THE RINGS* 'Among the greatest works of imaginative fiction of the twentieth century.'

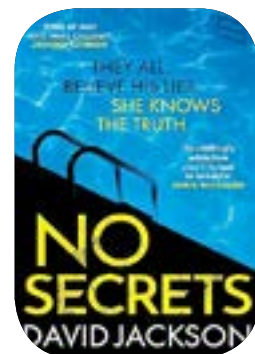
Sunday Telegraph

The company of the Ring is torn asunder. Frodo and Sam continue their journey alone down the great River Anduin – alone, that is, save for the mysterious creeping figure that follows wherever they go.

This continues the classic tale begun in *The Fellowship of the Ring*, which reaches its awesome climax in *The Return of the King*.



Here in the LRC we obviously LOVE reading and books and thought it would be a brilliant idea to encourage parents and staff to pick up a book for pleasure. These are our latest recommendations.



### No Secrets

**By** David Jackson  
**Genre:** Crime/Thriller

#### Blurb:

THEY BELIEVE HIS LIES. SHE KNOWS THE TRUTH.

You can't lie to Izzy Lambert. Her highly developed empathic abilities allow her to read people's emotions

with terrifying accuracy - and consequences. As a child her insights sparked her parents' divorce. As an adult she avoids getting too close to people for fear of what she might learn.

But now young girls are going missing in her town. The police have no suspects but, seeing her old school caretaker interviewed on the news about the story, Izzy comes to a chilling realisation: he knows where the missing girls are. When the police won't take her seriously despite the lives at stake, she will risk everything to uncover the truth.

### Here One Moment

**By** Liane Moriarty  
**Genre:** Thriller

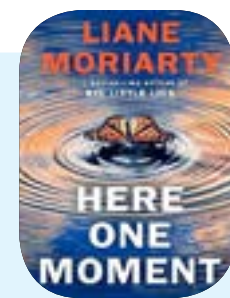
#### Blurb:

We're all so busy, caught up in life's moments, big and small...

The flight attendant working a shift on her birthday.  
The mother struggling alone with two young children.  
The newlyweds setting off on their tropical honeymoon.  
The overworked father missing his kid's big show.  
The young man returning from his best friend's funeral.  
The ER nurse wondering what retirement will bring.

All strangers. All unsuspecting. Each with a life heading in a particular direction – or so they imagine. Because an elderly woman is about to step into each of their paths. In just a few words, she will make a prediction, tying herself to all of them. And, in being bound to her, these disparate strangers will all face similar existential dilemmas...

Who is this woman? Is she a genuine clairvoyant? A charlatan? The answer to prayers, or a harbinger of nightmares?



# Miss Gilbert Recommends

# Recommended Reads for Parents/Staff

### Evenfall: The Golden Linnett

**By** Alexander Armstrong  
**Genre:** Fantasy

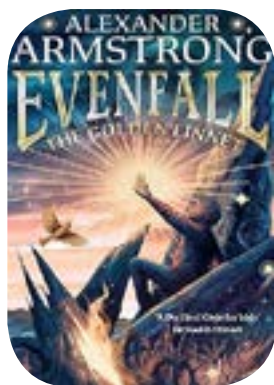
#### Blurb:

An ancient magic. A deadly enemy. A reluctant hero.

12-year-old Sam's world is blown apart when he discovers that his family was once at the heart of a secret society – The Order of the Evening – that had long protected the world. Now a powerful enemy is closing in, destroying all in its path to find the Order's hidden palace of Bellasis and the source of its powerful magic. Only Sam can stop them. But first, he must bring the Order together again.

The clock is ticking. Dark forces are massing. Sam must undertake perilous journeys, determine friend and foe, and discover his true powers. For this boy holds the future of the world in his hands...

It's time to enter a world of magic, intrigue, danger and glory ...if you dare!



### Impossible Creatures

**By** Katherine Rundell  
**Genre:** Fantasy

#### Blurb:

The Archipelago is a collection of hidden, secret islands inhabited by all the magical creatures you probably think are just myths or stories: dragons, griffins, sphinxes, unicorns, krakens, and many more. But the Archipelago is in trouble. Something dark has taken root at its centre and the islands' glimourie (magic) is disappearing.

Mal knows something's wrong with the glimourie, but her biggest concern right now is the man who just tried to murder her. Why would someone want her dead? Thrown together with a boy from our world, Christopher, and hunted by the would-be murderer, Mal embarks on an unplanned journey across the Archipelago to look for answers. As the impact of the fading glimourie is revealed, their quest grows in urgency. Is there any way to fix it before the Archipelago and its inhabitants are lost forever?



### We Solve Murders

**By** Richard Osman  
**Genre:** Crime/Thriller

#### Blurb:

A brand new series.  
An iconic new detective team.  
And a thrilling new murder to solve...

Steve Wheeler is enjoying retired life. He does the odd bit of investigation work, but he prefers his familiar habits and routines: the pub quiz, his favourite bench, his cat waiting for him when he comes home. His days of adventure are over: adrenaline is daughter-in-law Amy's business now.

Amy Wheeler thinks adrenaline is good for the soul. As a private security officer, she doesn't stay still long enough for habits or routines. She's currently on a remote island keeping world-famous author Rosie D'Antonio alive. Which was meant to be an easy job...

Then a dead body, a bag of money and a killer with their sights on Amy have her sending an SOS to the only person she trusts. A breakneck race around the world begins, but can Amy and Steve stay one step ahead of a deadly enemy?

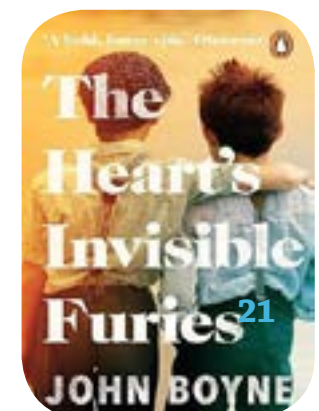
### The Heart's Invisible Furies

**By** John Boyne  
**Genre:** Coming Of Age Story

#### Blurb:

Cyril Avery is not a real Avery. At least, that's what his parents make sure to remind him. Adopted as a baby, he feels more and more disconnected with the family that treats him more as a curious pet, rather than a beloved son.

So, as a young adult, Cyril decides to embark on a quest to find his place in the world. Sometimes misguided and often in the wrong place at the wrong time, life has dealt him a difficult hand but Cyril is resolute that he can change things, and find the courage to be himself.





## Girls' Under 13 Football

The Girls' Under 13s Football Team, won their game against Chiltern Hills 6-0 and beat Burnham Grammar 2-1. What a fantastic start to the season!

Congratulations go to **Thea A, Bonny S, Sienna G, Tilly D, Bailey-Rae S, Alana S, Ruby B-S, Chloe K** and **Ava H**.

**Miss Walker - Teacher of PE**



## Cake Sale for Black History Month

As part of the celebration of Black History Month this year, we at The Chalfonts Community College held a bake sale to raise money for 'The Hairoun Elderly Day Centre'. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the parents/carers who have purchased either a cookie or doughnut for their child. Thanks also to the members of my team who have helped in one way or another to make

this event a huge success. We have raised **£309** and I know that this money will be highly appreciated. Please see below, some information about 'The Hairoun Elderly Day Centre'.

*'The Hairoun Elderly Day Centre' is a specialised, charity facility. It provides daytime care, social engagement, and support services to senior citizens who live independently or with family members in the community.*

*The primary goal of the Hairoun is to enhance the quality of life for the older adults in the Community of High Wycombe. We offer a safe, welcoming, and stimulating environment, where they can participate in various activities and receive assistance as needed.*

*The elderly can enjoy a wide range of activities in a vibrant, social atmosphere. The Hairoun Older Adult Day Centre is a Registered Charity. We pride ourselves with our multi-cultural environment, where all are made to feel welcome'.*

**Miss Brooks - Teacher of English, Literacy Coordinator and Year 9 Coordinator for English**



# Super Sport

# Black History Month Cake Sale





## Buckinghamshire Helping Hand

Buckinghamshire Helping Hand team is available to help individuals or families in need, those on low incomes and those who are experiencing a financial emergency or crisis.

Let them know if

- you are struggling to afford food
- you cannot keep on top of your bills
- you are in debt
- you are struggling to pay for essential goods in your home

You can request support from the Helping Hand team by: completing an online form or calling 01296 531 151: Monday to Thursday (9am to 5:30pm), Friday (9am to 5pm)

For more information please click on this link: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living/contact-helping-hand/>

If you would like to apply for Free Schools Meals for your child please click on this link to download the application form: <https://www.chalfonts.org/parents/forms-to-download> It should be returned to Victoria Gibb or via email [victoriagibb@chalfonts.org](mailto:victoriagibb@chalfonts.org)



# Helping Hand

# Happy Half Term!



# We'll see you on Monday 4th November





17<sup>th</sup>

Halloween  
Disco

18<sup>th</sup>

End of Term -  
3.05pm finish



4<sup>th</sup>

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