

The Chalfonts Chronicle

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Welcome Back to a New School Year

We are delighted to welcome all our students back after the long summer break, and a very special welcome to our new Year 7s as they begin their journey with us at secondary school. It has been wonderful to see our classrooms and corridors filled with energy and enthusiasm once again. This is always one of the most exciting times of the school year – meeting our new students, celebrating exam successes, hearing summer stories from staff, and greeting familiar faces returning for another year of learning and growth.

This half term, our school focus is Community Minded – strengthening the importance of our core values as we continue to support one another and set our goals for the year ahead.

We would like to extend a huge congratulations to all our students who sat their GCSEs and A Levels this summer. Their hard work and dedication have been rewarded with excellent results, and we are thrilled to see so many of our Year 13s securing their places at universities, apprenticeships, and other exciting next steps. We are equally delighted to welcome back a strong cohort of students into our Sixth Form, ready to embrace new challenges and opportunities.

Alongside academic success, we are also proud to celebrate some truly outstanding individual achievements within our school community. Our Head Boy, James H, represented Great Britain in the World Powerlifting Championships in Costa Rica this summer. Initially ranked 9th, James achieved personal bests in all three disciplines – Squat, Bench, and Deadlift – and finished 7th in the world! He matched two GB records, one of which had stood unbroken for almost four years, and was the highest placed European competitor in his class. A truly phenomenal achievement – well done, James!

We also celebrate the success of Mr Jones, one of our dedicated teachers, who became a National Bowls Champion this summer. His accomplishment is an inspiration to students and staff alike, showing the value of perseverance and passion both inside and outside the classroom.

As we step into this new academic year, we look forward to building on these successes, supporting one another as a community, and striving to be the best versions of ourselves. Here's to an exciting and rewarding year ahead!

Warm Regards
Mrs C Whitehead
Principal



Get Active, Get Involved!

Announcing Miss Look's Thursday Film Club

Thursday Lunchtime Film Club starts on the 18th of September in Room 71

If you'd like to spend your Thursday lunchtimes watching movies, and learning how to review them critically, please see Miss Look in Room 71.



We're excited to unveil our Extra-Curricular Sporting Activities Timetable

Whether you're looking to try something new or sharpen your skills in a sport you already love, this is your chance to get involved, have fun, and grow beyond the classroom.



CCC Extra curricular Sports Timetable

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAK 11.05 - 11.35	Year 9/6F Football MUGA Miss Noble	Year 7/6F Football MUGA Mr D'Arcy	Year 10/6F Football MUGA Mr Dalmedo	Year 8/6F Football MUGA Miss Noble	Year 11/6F Football MUGA Mr Dalmedo
			KS3 Dodgeball Gym Miss Walker	Year 8 Basketball Gym Mr D'Arcy	
AFTER SCHOOL 15.05 - 16.15	Year 7 & 8 Football MUGA Mr Richards Mr Rhodes	All Years Girls Football MUGA Miss Walker	Year 9 Boys Football MUGA Mr Rhodes	Year 11 Sports Science Intervention Room 20 Mr Dalmedo	
		Y10 Boys Football Field Mr Dalmedo	All Years Girls Netball Netball Courts Miss Noble		



Get Active, Get Involved!

All football lovers!

For those of you who want to play even more football!

Chalfont Park FC

Recruiting now for U12s
(year 7)

Come join us!

After an influx of players for the new season we're excited to now support two U12 teams and would like to welcome a few more.

Mid-week training
plus Saturday
matches or training



Our core training and match day is Saturday morning (term time), with additional mid-week training.

Chalfont Park Sports Club
Chalfont St Peter, Bucks, SL9 0QA

For more details please email:
membership.chalfontparkFC@gmail.com

TEAM DANCE AUDITIONS



MONDAY 15TH
SEPTEMBER

LUNCHTIME - LEARN ROUTINE

AFTER SCHOOL - AUDITIONS
3.05PM - 4.15PM

EMAIL: MWEBB@CHALFONTS.ORG


The Chalfonts Community College

CHIKARA BUILDING
DARMA STUDIO 3

Love dancing?

Audition for Team Dance and have the opportunity to perform in school productions and compete externally.

We welcome all styles of dance.

Courteous

Community Minded

Committed

Conscientious

Celebrating Achievements



Chalfonts Head Boy Powers to World Success

Seventeen-year-old James Hardy, Head Boy at The Chalfonts Community College, has achieved outstanding success on the international stage after representing Great Britain at the World Powerlifting Championships in Costa Rica.

Initially ranked ninth in his category, James delivered an exceptional performance, recording personal bests in all three disciplines – Squat, Bench and Deadlift – to finish an impressive seventh in the world.

In doing so, he also matched two British records, including one that had stood unbeaten for almost four years. James' performance made him the highest-placed European competitor in his class, underlining his remarkable achievement on behalf of Team GB.

A spokesperson for The Chalfonts Community College said: **“We are incredibly proud of James, not only for his sporting success but also for the leadership and inspiration he brings to our school community. He is a shining example of dedication, resilience and excellence.”**

James' success has brought immense pride to the College and the local community, marking him out as one to watch in the world of powerlifting.

Classroom to Championship: Mr Jones Triumphs in National Bowls

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The Path Ahead – Chalfont Success Stories

Chalfonts Success Story

Rose Dann - Food Content Creator and Actress @mumonmuddylane



Introducing Rose aka @mumonmuddylane, a self-taught cook, well known for her down to earth approach to family friendly cooking, speedy lunches and home-hacks

"It was like choosing to breathe for me, entertaining people, feeding people, hosting - its all I ever knew and no matter how hard I tried to get a "normal job" it just kept coming back to me - being my business model. To quote Rose, " Don't let anyone dull your light - it's there for a reason. Not everyone will love you for it, but you'll love yourself for not ignoring it!"

Thank you for your Support

The LRC's New Floor

Miss Vinten and Miss Gilbert have been raising money for the LRC for about three years now and we finally got our gorgeous new floor! We sold 4,333 cupcakes, cookies and biscuits for this so thank you to our sweet toothed students and lovely parents too!

We still need to decorate the LRC so look out for more fund-raising in the near future.



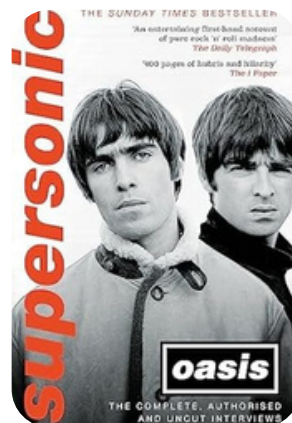
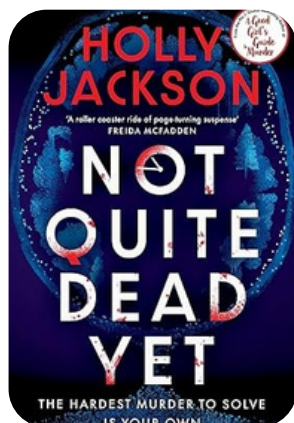
Before



After



All About Books



Student Recommendations

Girls Of Dark Divine by E.V. Woods

This gothic fantasy debut novel is about an all-girl ballet company in the fictional city of New Kora, who are under a curse and controlled by invisible strings that force them to do the bidding of their master, Malcolm. The main character, Emberlyn, hopes their performance in the city of Parlizia will be the one that saves them. When she meets a boy made of shadows, who is connected to the girls, the two work together to unravel the curse before all the dancers are turned to dust.

Not Quite Dead Yet by Holly Jackson

In seven days, Jet Mason will be dead. The wealthy 27-year-old from Woodstock, Vermont has always put her life on hold—until Halloween night, when an unseen attacker leaves her with a fatal brain injury. Doctors say she won't survive the week. Jet never thought she had enemies, but now suspicion falls on everyone: her family, her ex-best friend turned sister-in-law, her former boyfriend. With only her childhood friend Billy at her side, and her health rapidly failing, Jet is determined to finish something at last: She's going to solve her own murder.

Sixth Form/ Parents / Staff Recommendations

Supersonic by Oasis

Oasis are one of the biggest bands in history. Supersonic traces their rise from dive-bar hopefuls to global superstars, told in their own words. From Noel Gallagher joining his brother Liam's band to their landmark 1996 Knebworth gigs, the book covers the band's first five explosive years. Drawing on over thirty hours of interviews with the Gallaghers and those closest to them, it offers an unprecedented, candid, and humorous portrait of Oasis, illustrated with exclusive photos and memorabilia.

Looking Glass Sound by Catriona Ward

In a remote seaside cottage, Wilder Harlow begins his final book—a tale of childhood friends, the sinister Daggeman, and Sky, the friend who betrayed him by stealing his memoir and turning it into a bestseller. Now, as Wilder writes, Sky seems to return: green-ink notes appear, his story echoes real life, and a mysterious woman haunts the cove. Reality blurs, and Wilder fears this book may be not just his last, but his undoing.

**BOOK
RECOMMENDATIONS**



A Community Of Care

Family Hub Service

The Family Hub Service run a number of free online courses for young people of secondary school age and above. Our youth courses:

- Are delivered on MSTeams over five, 1-hour sessions unless otherwise stated.
- Are open to 11-19 year olds (up to 25 with SEND). Anyone who lives in Bucks can apply.
- Seek to bring together young people in similar situations to help them understand that they are not alone in how they are feeling or what they are experiencing.
- Aim to give young people practical strategies to cope.
- More details about the courses can be found at: [Help for young people in Buckinghamshire | Family Information Service](#)

How to... Build Confidence and Self-Esteem

Tuesday 23 September to 21 October (5 weeks), 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm on MS Teams

Tuesday 11th November to 9th December (5 weeks) 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm on MS Teams

This course aims to help young people who feel bad about themselves by giving them the space to explore what makes them special and unique and also gives them practical strategies to increase their confidence and self-esteem.

Monday 22nd September to 20th October (5 weeks) 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm on MS Teams

This course aims to help young people name, express and normalise emotions, explore techniques for managing them and explore the relationship between thoughts, feelings and actions.

<https://www.chalfonts.org/pastoral/safeguarding>

Family Hub
Network
Buckinghamshire

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RSE @ Home with Brook - Free Online Sessions

RSE @ Home is a series of free, live online workshops for parents and carers in Buckinghamshire, delivered by experts from Brook. These sessions give you the tools, confidence, and up-to-date information to have open, value-led conversations with your child about relationships, health, and wellbeing.

Each event runs via Zoom, covers a key topic, and includes time for anonymous questions.

Upcoming Sessions (7:00 pm start)

Why join?

- 10 Sep 2025 – Mental Health
- 30 Sep 2025 – Consent
- 9 Oct 2025 – Body Image
- 12 Nov 2025 – Sex and Disability
- 16 Dec 2025 – Contraception
- 8 Jan 2026 – STIs
- 5 Feb 2026 – Online Relationships
- 19 Feb 2026 – Body Image (repeat)
- 11 Mar 2026 – Relationships (repeat)
- Get trusted, evidence-based advice from sexual health professionals
- Learn how to adapt conversations to your child's age and maturity
- Understand the facts taught in school and how to link them to your family's values
- Ask questions anonymously in advance or during the session

Book your free place: sexualhealthbucks.nhs.uk/rse-home



From the 1st July 2025, adults in Buckinghamshire will have round-the-clock, free access to mental health resources through a new online platform, Qwell. This new digital mental health support tool offers a safe and anonymous space for individuals to seek help and support.

Available at <https://explore.qwell.io/bucks/> Qwell provides a safe, anonymous space for adults aged 18+ to:

- Discussion Boards created by adults seeking peer support and advice from others.
- Therapeutic content: articles, podcasts, mini activities and videos created by the clinical content team. Mini activities are short, practical exercises, e.g. 'create a good mood playlist'.
- Comments: Adults can comment on discussion boards and articles and support their peers/receive support. All comments are pre-moderated.
- Live Forums: real time or 'live' interactive workshops.