

# *The Chalfonts Chronicle*

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## *A Bright Finish To The Term*

This has been an incredibly purposeful and positive half-term, particularly as our Year 11 and Year 13 students have started their examinations and revision programmes. I am delighted to say that the exam season has got off to a smooth and successful start, with students' hard work, commitment and preparation already shining through.

I would like to commend our students for their excellent attitude to exams and their exemplary behaviour throughout this busy period. Whilst examinations can naturally bring moments of pressure and stress, our students have conducted themselves with maturity, resilience and positivity, and we are extremely proud of the way they are approaching this important time in their education.

The rest of the school community has also adapted incredibly well to the quieter environment required around the school site and the room changes needed to accommodate examinations. Thank you to all students and staff who have helped ensure the smooth running of this important period.

Our learning beyond the classroom continues to thrive. On Thursday evening, our Year 10 students enjoyed a visit to see Jekyll and Hyde, while Friday saw some of our catering students take part in a new and inspiring trip into London to explore authentic food venues, led by an engaging and knowledgeable tour guide. With several special tasting opportunities along the way, it was a fantastic experience and a real treat for those studying Food Technology.

We now welcome the half-term holiday, accompanied by the start of some wonderfully warm weather, before returning for our final term of the academic year – always one of our busiest and most exciting. The weeks ahead will include the continuation of exams, trips to Buckinghamshire New University, in-person Parents' Evenings for Years 7 and 10, visits to Wendover Woods and Warwick Castle, Work Experience for our Year 10 students, and, of course, Enrichment week activities for Years 7, 8 and 9.

We wish everyone a restful and enjoyable break and look forward to welcoming students back to school on 1st June.

Warm regards  
Ms C Whitehead  
Principal



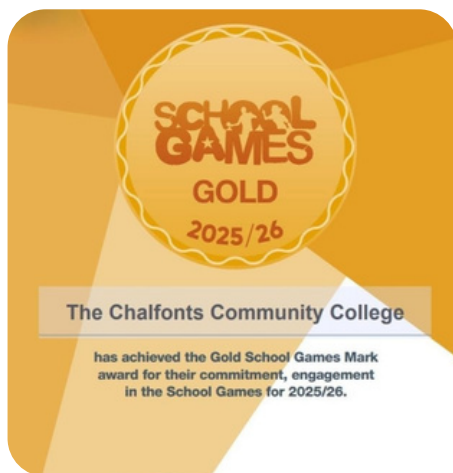
# Sporting Success Stories

## Records Breaking in Athletics for PE!

Huge well done to everyone who took part in the ESAA English Schools' Track & Field Cup 2026 🏃♂️🏃♀️🌟

Well done to **Maya L** for breaking the Year 7 girls 200m competition record, **Marshall R** for breaking the Year 7 boys javelin competition record and **Milla R** for breaking the Year 9 girls 800m competition record.

It was a fantastic day with some brilliant results, but most importantly, incredible team spirit, determination, and encouragement shown throughout. We are very proud of all our students!



## Gold For CCC!

We're delighted to share that The Chalfonts Community College has been awarded the Gold School Games Mark for our commitment and engagement in School Games! 🏆

A huge thank you to all staff involved in planning, organising and supporting these fantastic opportunities for our students.

## Supporting Student Experiences Through Fishing

A huge thank you to the Buckinghamshire Masonic Salmon & Trout Fishing Charity for supporting our latest fishing trip at Lake Side Farm 🎣🌞

It was a fantastic day with perfect weather, and all of our students had an amazing time. As always, thank you to the teams for their continued support and dedication to creating such memorable experiences for our students.



# Sporting Success Stories



Courteous

Community Minded

Committed

Conscientious

# Sporting Success Stories

## Dancing Queen Isabella!

Congratulations to Isabella on her fantastic success at the East Anglia Regional Street Dance Competition! 🌟🌟

Competing in solo performances, group dances and duets, Isabella showed incredible commitment, passion and determination throughout.

We are always thrilled to celebrate the many achievements of our students both inside and outside of school – showcasing talent, hard work and drive. 🙌



## Extracurricular Sporting Entertainment



**SAY**  
STAY ACTIVE  
YOUTH

MAY HALF TERM  
**KIDS SPORT CAMP**  
WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY  
FRIDAY 29TH MAY  
**£35 A DAY**  
4-11 YEARS OLD  
9:30-3:30pm

£5 off sibling discount  
£5 off bring a new friend to camp  
Early drop-off optional add on £5

- Summer Sports
- Arts and Crafts
- Awards

The Chalfonts Community College  
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met one  
Chalfont St Peter  
Cricket Club  
**Women's Training**

**Starts April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 - 8pm**

Visit [www.cspcc.co.uk](http://www.cspcc.co.uk) for more info

# Enrichment Activities

## Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition Success

Our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students recently enjoyed a fantastic practice expedition in perfect weather conditions. The session gave students the opportunity to develop essential expedition skills while preparing for their upcoming assessed expedition.

Throughout the day, students worked together to pitch tents, practise map-reading and navigation skills, and complete training walks carrying their full expedition kit. The experience helped students build confidence, teamwork, resilience, and independence – all key elements of the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Staff were extremely impressed with the students' enthusiasm, determination, and positive attitude throughout the training. The practice session proved to be an excellent preparation opportunity, and students are now feeling excited and well-prepared for the real expedition ahead.



# Winning Students – Maths



United Kingdom  
Mathematics Trust



## 2026 Junior Maths Challenge Success

On 29th April, students in Years 7 and 8 competed in the 2026 UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. This nationwide competition is extremely challenging, and students from more than 3,000 schools and colleges across the UK take part each year. Only the highest scorers are awarded certificates.

Pupils at The Chalfonts Community College achieved fantastic results, earning **2 Gold, 6 Silver and 8 Bronze** certificates. A special well done to **Daniel Z** in Year 8, who achieved the Best in School and has been invited to the follow-on and much harder round called the Junior Kangaroo.

We are immensely proud of all the students that took part this year. This year's winners are:

Gold: **Daniel Z** and **Hamza H**

Silver: **Natalie B, Spencer G, Karam B, Eshveer R, Dai A** and **Emil R**

Bronze: **Hetti W, Alex D, Ava W, William B, Daoud F, Daisy R, Lucas S, Georgia B**

If you would like to know more about the Maths Challenge, please visit: <https://www.ukmt.org.uk/about-us/> or email Mr Vahora; [ivahora@chalfonts.org](mailto:ivahora@chalfonts.org)



# Charity Commitments

## Miss Hughes Cycles for Women v Cancer



**Miss Hughes** took on the WOMEN V CANCER challenge to cycle 50k from Windsor to Westminster, the UK's largest women only night time cycle challenge. The event raises vital money for Breast Cancer Now and Ovarian Cancer Action. She raised **£645** from friends donations and now hopes to raise a smidgen more with a bake sale in school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Look out for details in your Parent Pay. Thank you to **Sarah Kempster** and **Miss MacGregor** for the hand-made cake donation for the cake sale too!

If you would like to donate to the great cause, please [click here](#)

## Fresh Air, Fresh Spaces, Funded by Our Students

Thanks to the Biteback Movement, we've used funding earned by our phenomenal students to purchase additional outdoor seating for our school. 🌿☀️

Our students can now enjoy eating, socialising and studying in the fresh air even more comfortably. A fantastic investment made possible by their hard work! ❤️





come and join our...

# PINK BAKE SALE

SUPPORTING



**Wednesday**  
**June 10<sup>th</sup>**



**Breaktime**  
**&**  
**Lunchtime**

**All items for £1.50**

Miss Hughes took on the women-only Ride the Night 2026 challenge. Cycling 50km from Windsor to Westminster, £645 has been raised so far by friends, and the school wants to come together to raise more for this great cause.

**Providing funds for three major British Charities:**



Special thanks to Sarah Kempster and



*Kempsters Cakes*  
HANDMADE CAKES

for supporting us with delicious treats



# Getting started with Sora



The LRC staff are excited to announce that the school once again has access to the Sora reading app. This virtual library allows our students to borrow books, audiobooks and magazines through their webpage and app. We hope students will take full advantage of this addition to our library.

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## Accessing Sora:

**Step 1:** Install the Sora app from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#), or go to [soraapp.com](#).

**Step 2:** In Sora, search “The Chalfonts Community College”, or click [this link](#), then sign in.

**Note:** You sign in with your @chalfonts.org / @chalfonts.net google account’s email and password.

**Step 3:** Once you have access to Sora, you can change your nickname and profile picture

## Searching for and accessing books:


**Step 1:** Click the  tab to browse by categories or  **Search** for a book, then select a book.

**Step 2:** You can listen to, or read, a sample by clicking on read sample.

- Click the **X** button next to close to exit the sample.
- Click the blue **Borrow** button if you decide you do want to borrow the book.

**Note:** If a book isn’t available, you can click **Place Hold** to get in line to borrow a book.

**Step 3:** Once you click borrow, your book will open so you can start reading right away.

**Step 4:** Close the book and go to  to see all your books. From there, you can:

- Select **Open book** or **Open audiobook** to read or listen to the book.
- Select **Options** to renew or return the book, see your notes and highlights, and more.

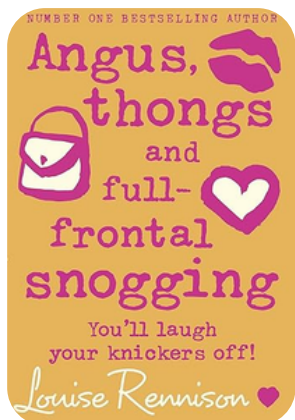
## Borrowing Information:

- The loanperiod istwo weeks, the same as our physical library.
- The maximum number of book loans is 5.
- The maximum number of books on hold is 3.

**For more help with Sora, visit: <https://help.soraapp.com/en-us/categories/using-sora.htm>**

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# All About Books



## Student Recommendations

### Angus, Thongs And Full-Frontal Snogging by Louise Rennison

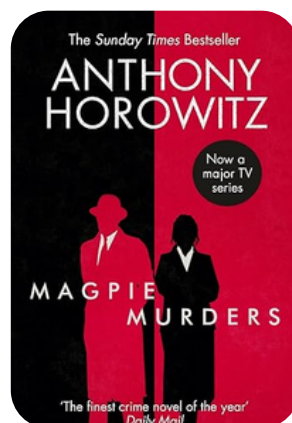
*Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging follows Georgia Nicolson as she navigates embarrassing teenage problems, from a stubborn spot on her nose and family chaos to school, awkward parties, and disastrous crushes. Along the way, she deals with shaved-off eyebrows, her wild cat Angus, difficult teachers, friendships, first kisses, and her obsession with Robbie the "Sex God," creating a funny and chaotic coming-of-age story. (You may have seen the film version...)*

### Inkheart by Cornelia Funke

*Meggie loves stories, but her father, Mo, hasn't read to her since her mother disappeared.*

*When a stranger knocks at their door, Mo is forced to reveal an extraordinary secret – when he reads aloud, words come alive, and dangerous characters step out of the pages.*

*Suddenly Meggie is living the kind of adventure she has only read about in books, but this one will change her life for ever ...*



## Sixth Form/ Parents / Staff Recommendations

### Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz

*Magpie Murders follows editor Susan Ryeland as she reviews crime writer Alan Conway's latest Atticus Pünd mystery set in a 1950s English village. While the manuscript contains murders and suspects, Susan discovers hidden clues pointing to real-life jealousy, ambition, and murder beyond the pages of the book.*

### A Killer Of Influence by JD Kirk

*A Killer Of Influence follows DCI Jack Logan as he investigates the disappearance of eight social media influencers after a convention in the Scottish Highlands. The captives are forced to livestream deadly challenges where the least popular contestant is killed on camera. As online audiences watch and vote, Logan races to stop a killer who stays constantly ahead through the internet.*



# The Path Ahead – Chalfonts Success Story

## Rob Russell Cyber Security Specialist



Introducing Rob Russell, a Chalfonts alumni member, who is now a Cyber Security Specialist.

*"I became a Cyber Security Specialist out of an early fascination with the internet and technology. After 14 years on the front lines of major cyber attacks, my passion remains strong, fueled by the constantly evolving threat landscape. Recently, I transitioned into training, and helping others begin their cybersecurity journey has been one of the most rewarding steps in my career."*

## Work Experience

We are reaching out to ask for your support in helping our Year 10 and Year 12 students secure valuable work experience placements.

Work experience is a vital part of a young person's development. It gives students the opportunity to explore potential career paths, build confidence, develop workplace skills, and gain a real understanding of what different jobs involve. These experiences can be truly transformative, helping students make informed decisions about their futures.

However, finding suitable placements can be challenging. This is where we hope you might be able to help. If you, your workplace, or someone you know could offer a student a short-term work experience placement, we would be incredibly grateful to hear from you. Opportunities in any field—whether hands-on, office-based, creative, technical, or service-oriented—are all valuable and appreciated.

By offering a placement, you are not only supporting an individual student, but also helping to build their confidence, aspirations, and future prospects.

If you are able to help, or would like more information, please do get in touch with us. We would be happy to discuss what is involved and answer any questions.

Thank you for your continued support of our students.

For more information you can email **Miss MacGregor** - [kmacgregor@chalfonts.org](mailto:kmacgregor@chalfonts.org)



# **Buckinghamshire's Best Kept Village Competition 2026**

*We're taking part!*

## **How You Can Help**

- Keep our streets, verges and shopfront areas tidy
- Use bins for litter and dog waste
- Support local groups taking part in village cleanups

**Celebrate and promote the village spirit that makes us special**

**Interested? Please contact: [ppo@chalfontstpeter-pc.gov.uk](mailto:ppo@chalfontstpeter-pc.gov.uk)**

Judging takes place any time  
between 1<sup>st</sup> June & 14<sup>th</sup> July 2026

*Proud of our Village  
Proud to take part*

