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

**Courteous!
Community Minded!**

**Conscientious!
and Committed!**

Halloween Disco Raises Money for Charity

On Thursday 9th November the Year 13 BTEC Business students organised a Halloween Disco for the Year 7 and Year 8 students. They did this as a part of their qualification and to raise money for **Fight for Sight**. The event went extremely well and raised **£1,450**. The students did an amazing job and I am extremely proud of them.

Mrs Aujla - Leader for BTEC Business Studies / Law



Halloween Disco



English Department.

We have raised **£392.78** and all the proceeds went to the **Hairoun Adult Day Centre**. They were so pleased to receive the donation and have expressed their gratitude for our generosity. If you would like to find out more about this centre, please [click here](#).

Miss Brooks - Year 9 English Coordinator, Deputy Literacy Coordinator

Black History Month Doughnut Sale

Parents/Carers, I just want to thank you for your overwhelming support with the doughnut sale for **Black History Month**. This event could not have been the success it has been without your contribution.

I also would like to say a heartfelt thanks to the members of staff who have helped in one way or another with this venture. They are: **Mrs Mackeith, Mrs Dancer, Miss Vinten, Miss Gilbert, Miss Irvine** and the



Black History Month



Black History Month Art Competition

For Black History Month, some of the students took on the challenge to either draw or paint a black woman, past or present (either in the UK or elsewhere) who has inspired them in one way or another. I am delighted to say that they have done some fabulous work. It was really hard to choose the top three winners, but after much deliberation, **1st place** went to **Calin** (Year 8), **2nd place** went to **Jaskeerat** (Year 8) and **Gracie** (Year 11) was awarded the **3rd place**.

Miss Brooks - Year 9 English Coordinator, Literacy Coordinator



Theatre Trip to the West End

Another successful trip to London's West End this month for CCC's **'Performing Arts Department'**. Jumping aboard the train they set off to see the fantasy tale of **'The Ocean At The End Of The Lane'** an adaption of **Neil Gaiman's** book of the year. A show full of beautiful puppetry, twinkling lights, enchanted forests, mystical oceans and scary shapeshifting monsters. It was certainly a show that made you jump (ask **Miss Dearing**) due to a magical use of lighting, black-outs and sound effects. Not only scary but also a beautiful depiction of childhood friendship which ultimately ended

very sadly, a tear or two rolling down **Miss Hughes'** cheek (nothing new there). A fantastic group of students who represented the school exceptionally well. Thanks to the Amazing Adams for organising another fab trip and choosing a fabulous show!

Miss Hughes - DramaDepartment



Mr and Mrs Darling Welcomed Guests on Open Evening

Open Evening saw a rehearsal of **Legally Blonde** take place, there was lots of productive noise, singing and dancing on top of laughter from all students who were totally immersed in the enjoyment of a rehearsal. Most parents and future students were mesmerised by the department with its costumes, props and lighting facilities available for all to experiment with. The drama department is looking great partly because of the additional two characters; Mr and Mrs Darling more commonly known as the comedy and tragedy theatre masks which have found a new home in the entrance hall.



Drama Trips

GCSE Drama Students experience the **'Moulin Rouge'**

A totally brilliant experience visiting the **Moulin Rouge**, albeit at a London Theatre rather than then sleazy backstreets of Paris.

The theatre surrounded you with "layers of fabric draped" on every wall, while "the auditorium was bathed in a sexy red light. There were pyrotechnics, glitter cannons, and ebullient ensemble dances." Dancers danced in birdcages and an elephant protruded from the auditorium wall. Just a small part of the magical musical extravaganza which we watched in preparation for the GCSE drama exam this coming May.

An ex-student of **Ms Adams'**, **Josh Robinson** performed well in his role reminding us how a career in the West End is in fact within reach.

Again, the behaviour of all CCC students was exemplary and it was an utter joy to be apart of such a fabulous trip out.

4 Well done all and good luck for the exam!



Centre Stage

Performing Arts students production of **Colder Than Here** by **Laura Wade**

On, 13th December, our BTEC Year 13s tread the boards with the first of their two Major projects this year. This is published play by Laura Wade and is often used as an A Level Drama text as it delicately deals with your average family who desperately need to learn to reconnect. This four-hander tell the intimate tale of a family gripped by grief and trying to make the best and have a laugh in the face of travesty.

The most difficult challenge with staging this beautiful crafted intimate tale is being able to transport the audience in and out of their family home and take them on a journey. The concept lends itself beautifully to a promenade performance; walking the audience around each venue from the central stage of the house to 5 smaller sets to represent the burial grounds. We have created our own inverted traverse stage which enable the audience to remain seated but yet follow the journey that the characters going through.

I could not be prouder of these four amazing performers, who have taken on their biggest challenge yet. They are ready to showcase their talents and tell this tragic tale in a series of beautiful, funny, shocking, moving and awkward moments for this family.

Mrs Adams - Leader for Drama





Year 13 BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Performing Arts

Proudly Presents

COLDER THAN HERE

By Laura Wade

Wednesday 13th December

7:30 pm

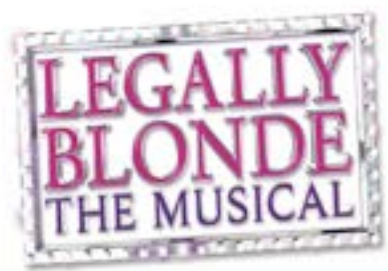
The Chalfonts Community

College

Chikara Drama Studios



For tickets email catherineadams@chalfonts.org



An Interview with **Matilda Patterson** on playing **Elle Woods**

Due to the sheer talent at CCC we have doubled up our casting. **Matilda Patterson** is from one of the teams and we have asked her a few questions about the role:

What are you looking forward to the most? *"I love singing and dancing so am definitely looking forward to lots of that. I am also looking forward to playing a different character type to the part I played last year. In 'Grease' I was Jan and she was shy but Elle is a very bubbly and outgoing character. I am excited to make the part my own, I want to give Elle a bit more attitude than usual."*

Do you perform outside of school? *"Yes. I have performed in 'Troubles A-brewing', 'Alice in Wonderland' and 'Glitching'."*

Elle wears a lot of pink. Do you like pink? *"Straight answer? NO!"*

Miss Hughes - Drama Department



Terminology Towers

Year 11s have been busy preparing for their written exam, after our trip to see **Blood Brothers**, they have been applying all their knowledge into innovating as designers, directors and performers for the text.

Within their work they must apply as much terminology as possible so the classes participated in our Terminology Tower Challenge where the blocks had vocabulary questions and completed in teams to make the highest towers.

Written exam revision can be fun too! Here are the WINNING TEAM in 11D

Huxley, Anastasia, Lily-Mai and Mithulavi! Well done!



Legally Blonde

Drama, Drama

More interviews with the Legally Blonde Team

Emelia Rushworth plays Elle.

As we have two teams this year we are delighted to welcome both **Emelia** and **Matilda** to the part of Elle. We caught up with Emelia to get to know more about her:

What performances have you done to date?

I tend to do musical theatre and have recently performed in 'Grease' and 'Annie'.

What do you look forward to the most?

Definitely the singing but I am also excited to see the colourful costumes and doing some fun dances.

How would you like to make the character of Elle your own?

I want to play her much more sassy than she is in the film, a girl with attitude!



Name the Space Competition!

We would like to name the Theatre space and drama studio currently known as DS3. It's the one in the Chikara Sixth Form Centre. Can you think up something cool, snazzy, memorable or witty? It needs to be obvious that it is a performance space but apart from that any suggestion will be considered. One we have chosen a winning name the person responsible will be invited to the unveiling ceremony and will receive a prize as well as seeing their chosen name printed on materials such as posters, programmes and advertising banners. So get your thinking caps on... all entries to be handed or emailed to **Miss Adams, Miss Dearing or Miss Hughes** before January 31st 2024. Thank you and good luck!



Pinewood Futures Festival 2023

For over 85 years, Pinewood Studios has set the stage for storytellers and helped make dreams a reality.

The **Futures Festival 2023** is one of the biggest free careers event for those looking to start a career in the Film and TV industry.

In November, thirteen Sixth Form students met employers and industry professionals, took part in workshops and attended panels. At

the home of super spies, superheroes and galaxies far far away, this exhibition aimed to inspire, engage and encourage people to consider careers in the screen industry; it certainly did this for our students!

I was so proud of our Sixth Form students, when we were in the animation workshop we were interviewed by Lucy Frazer Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. Lucy asked the students if they had found the trip beneficial and what they wanted to do for their future careers. It was a brilliant event which our school was fortunate to be invited to. Thank you Pinewood!

Miss Vinten - Employability and Careers Leader



SORA

Since we launched SORA, our free reading app, over the summer we are delighted to say that **365 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.

- In Sora, find your school (or enter your school's setup code), 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.



Employability Hub

SORA App Update!

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



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...



Book Reviews

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

The Boy Who Slept Through Christmas
By Matt Lucas
Genre: Children's/Christmas

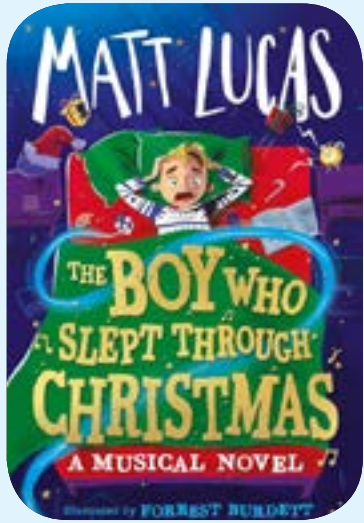
Blurb:
Leo LOVES Christmas.

And this Christmas needs to be absolutely perfect, because it's the first one without Mum. Only it all keeps going wrong! The fairylights are in a tangle, the tree's wonky and the Christmas biscuits taste AWFUL. Soon Leo decides he's had enough – he makes a heartfelt wish that it would all GO AWAY.

Then Leo wakes up on Christmas morning – and it's gone!! All of Christmas! But Leo isn't going to let it get away that easily. With the help of his best friends, Prisha and Ivan, he sets out on a mission to undo his wish and get Christmas back.

This is Home Alone meets The Christmas Carol in a hilarious adventure with a big dollop of festive magic. Funny, sensitive and emotional in all the best ways –this warm and seasonal family story touches ever so gently on childhood grief but is wrapped up in a chaotic and heart-warming adventure.

Listen to over 20 original songs, written and recorded by Matt to accompany the story, bringing the joy of a musical to book form!



Benefits of Reading!

Miss Gilbert Recommends!

Why Read at home?

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



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



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




SCORES IN THE 90TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS


SCORES IN THE 50TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS


SCORES IN THE 10TH PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS

A Christmasaurus Carol
By Tom Fletcher
Genre: Fantasy

Blurb:
The Christmasaurus is back! Get ready to soar into the sky with the magical new festive adventure from bestselling author, Tom Fletcher!

William Trundle and his family can't wait for Christmas. But when powerful magic brings a mysterious old copy of A Christmas Carol to life, and Ebenezer Scrooge himself emerges from its pages - Christmas is suddenly in grave danger.

Can William, Santa and the most unique and magical dinosaur of all - the Christmasaurus - find a way to return Scrooge to the book and save Christmas, before it's too late?

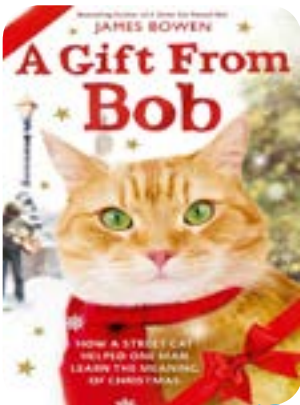


A Gift From Bob
By James Bowen
Genre: Autobiography

Blurb:
From the day James rescued a street cat abandoned in the hallway of his sheltered accommodation, they began a friendship which has transformed both their lives and, through the bestselling books A STREET CAT NAMED BOB and THE WORLD ACCORDING TO BOB, touched millions around the world.

In this new story of their journey together, James looks back at the last Christmas they spent scraping a living on the

streets and how Bob helped him through one of his toughest times - providing strength, friendship and inspiration but also teaching him important lessons about the true meaning of Christmas along the way.



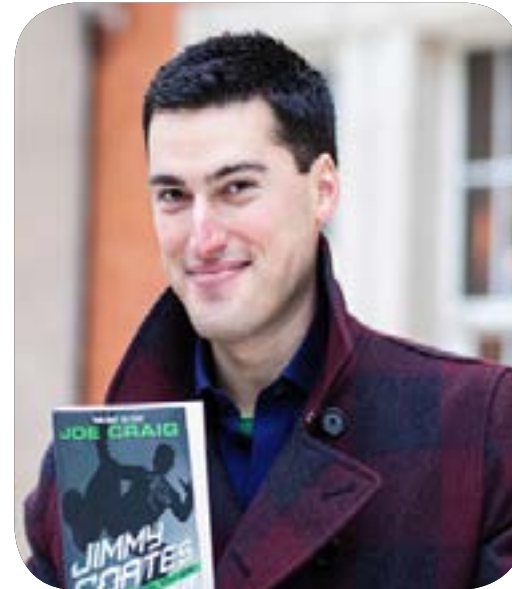


Upcoming Author Visit

We are very fortunate to have a fantastic author visit us for World Book Day in March next year. Joe Craig, whom is a spy, adventure, and thriller writer.

He said that *"Author visits show children that the world of books is 'full of life, passion and thrills...My aim with every school event I do is to make my visit the single most memorable event in the school life of every student in the room'."*

Miss Vinten and Miss Gilbert - LRC Staff



KS3 Spelling Bee Competition – 2023

The Spelling Bee Competition was a success as usual and the enthusiastic participants thoroughly enjoyed the experience. After a nail-biting final on Monday, 11th December, **Jasjeerat N (8G4)** was crowned the KS3 Spelling Bee Champion for 2023 and **Maria P, also from (8K4)** was the runner-up. Well done to all the students who took part.

Miss Brooks - Year 9 English Coordinator,
Literacy Coordinator



All About Books

Christmas activities in the LRC

We have been busy making Christmas decorations at break and lunch in the LRC which has been fun. The students have really enjoyed doing the Christmas themes word searches and colouring.



The Bookywookydoodah Book Club

I started our Year 7 and 8 book club on a Wednesday at breaktime.

We have finished our first book which was *"The Murder Game"* by Carrie Doyle. The book had a mixed reaction to the book but it is good to have varied opinions.

Our next book is a Christmas book to read over the break called *"A Boy Called Christmas"* by Matt Haig. Both of these books are available to download on Sora.

14 **Mark Turkington**, a valued member of the club, said *"The only thing wrong with book club is it's only once a week!"*

Miss Gilbert - LRC Staff



Spelling Bee



Whole School Merit Competition Update

Congratulations on the incredible achievements in the Whole School Merit Competition (WSMC) this term!

The total accumulation of **81,911** merits is truly impressive and reflects the dedication and hard work of all the students involved. A special round of applause to Year 7 for securing the top spot with an outstanding **24,382** merits. That's an incredible accomplishment!

Acknowledging the efforts of tutor groups is also fantastic. Congratulations to **7K4** and **Ms. Ismailis** for earning the highest number of tutor group achievement points, totalling **3,666** merits.

Moreover, a big shoutout to **Colion Condurache** for securing the top position in the WCMC with an exceptional **474** merits. Following closely behind are **Oscar** with **426** merits and **Jaskeerat** with **380** merits, securing second and third positions, respectively.

These achievements not only showcase academic excellence but also the dedication, determination, and commitment of the students and staff involved. Well done to everyone who contributed to this remarkable success in the WSMC!

Mr Modha - Teacher of Maths

Rank	Name	TG	Merits
1st	Condurache Calin	8g2	474
2nd	Suarez Oscar	8g4	426
3rd	Notae Jaskeerat	8g4	380
4th	Nicholas, Emma	7k4	260
5th	Turkington Mark	7k4	248
6th	Prieg Eliza	8g1	245
7th	Thomson Abigail	8k1	243
8th	Evans Thomas	7g4	212
9th	Pegel Maya	7g4	231
10th	Salter Fitt Billi	1g2	201

Young Enterprise

The Year 12 Young Enterprise company had their first Christmas fair on Wednesday 5th December in Beaconsfield. Their product idea makes a fantastic Christmas present and you are supporting our students if you buy one.

The jars contain dry ingredients and they all include the recipe and the other ingredients that need to be added to the mixture. They have worked really hard since September and worked well as a team. A few people have asked if there is a gluten free version and these are available for £11.

The jars cost £10 each and have been decorated as a Christmas gift.

They have made about **£140** in profit so far.

Mrs Flisher - Subject Leader for Business Studies



Motivation

Young Enterprise

Growth Mindset Stories:

ACRES OF DIAMONDS

There was a farmer in Africa who was happy and content. He was happy because he was content. He was content because he was happy. One day a wise man came to him and told him about the glory of diamonds and the power that goes along with them. The wise man said, "If you had a diamond the size of your thumb, you could have your own city. If you had a diamond the size of your fist, you could probably own your own country." And then he went away. That night the farmer couldn't sleep. He was unhappy and he was discontent. He was unhappy because he was discontent and discontent because he was unhappy. The next morning he made arrangements to sell off his farm, took care of his family and went in search of diamonds. He looked all over Africa and couldn't find any. He

looked all through Europe and couldn't find any. When he got to Spain, he was emotionally, physically and financially broke. He got so disheartened that he threw himself into the Barcelona River and committed suicide. Back home, the person who had bought his farm was watering the camels at a stream that ran through the farm. Across the stream, the rays of the morning sun hit a stone and made it sparkle like a rainbow. He thought it would look good on the mantle piece. He picked up the stone and put it in the living room. That afternoon the wise man came and saw the stone sparkling. He asked, "Is Hafiz back?" The new owner said, "No, why do you ask?" The wise man said, "Because that is a diamond. I recognize one when I see one." The man said, no, that's just a stone I picked up from the stream. Come, I'll show you. There are many more." They went and picked some samples and sent them for analysis. Sure enough, the stones were diamonds. They found that the farm was indeed covered with

acres and acres of diamonds.

* What is the moral of this story?

There are five morals:

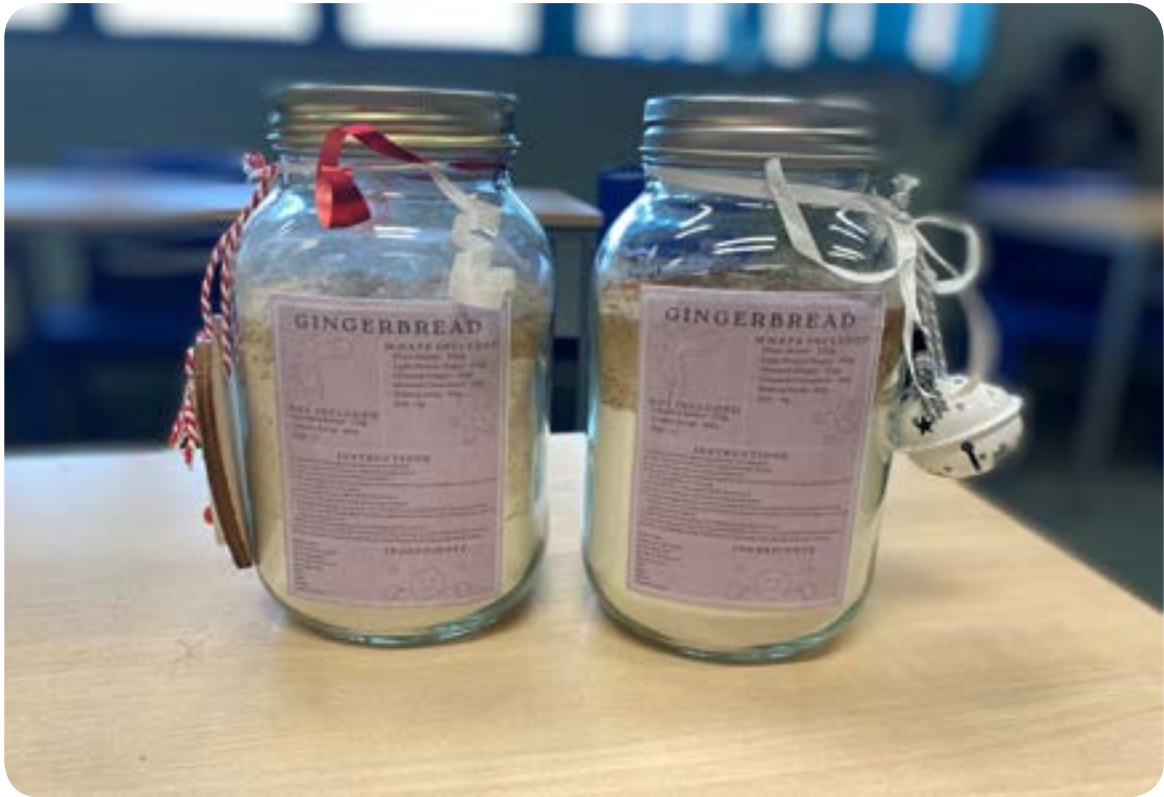
When our attitude is right, we realize that we are all walking on acres and acres of diamonds.

Opportunity is always under our feet. We don't have to go anywhere. All we need to do is recognize it.

The grass on the other side always looks greener. While we are dyeing the grass on the other side, there are others who are dyeing the grass on our side. They would be happy to trade places with us.

When people don't know how to recognize opportunity, they complain of noise when it knocks.

The same opportunity never knocks twice. The next one may be better or worse, but it is never the same one.



Art News

The Art department have been making with Clay this term, making sculptures in 3D Year 7 have made owls using different textures, they have painted and decorated them ready to take home for the holidays.



Year 8 have been inspired by Dia de los Muertos the Mexican Day of the Dead, they have made skulls to represent their heroes, using bright colours and sequins to decorate.



Year 10 have been making Twisted Faces to as a conclusion to their autumn term project, after taking photos they shaped their faces, ready to paint in the new year.

Happy Christmas and Warm Wishes for the New Year from the ART TEAM!



Chalfonts Success Stories

Name: Amber Smith

What is your current role and who do you work for now?
I am a Stunt woman.

I work in film and TV (self employed) My job takes me all over the country and world!

Tell us a bit about your job.
I have trained towards the British Stunt Register, having to become a master at 6 skills. I have done rock climbing, rally and precision driving, scuba diving, boxing and swimming.
I don't have uniform, if I'm doubling an actress, I wear her costume. If I'm driving a car I just get a top half and of I'm just being safety for people I wear active wear.



Sadly, film hours are usually 12 hour days, however, as a stunt Performer we usually work in 8 hour contracts (and if we stay after get paid overtime).



We get paid per day, a base rate of £500 then a 'buyout' of around 60% (a one off sum) or 'royalties' which is a percentage of the films gross profit (varies a little depending on job). Then we get paid travel, insurance etc. Before overtime it usually is around 1000 a day.

What did you study at The Chalfonts Community College and which years were you in Chalfont?
I was at The Chalfonts Community College from the years 2005-2012. I studied English, Drama, performing arts and music.

(Interview continues below...)

Chalfonts Alumni

(...Interview continued)
What inspired you about doing this role? When did you decide to take this career?

I always wanted to either be in film and TV or stage! I didn't even consider a stunt Performer, I just thought that was for daredevils. I was working as a PA looking after actors, when I came across stunts. I started doing work called 'special action' where I got the opportunity to be a storm trooper for six months. All the gang were training to be stunt performers. I gave it a go, that was five years ago and I haven't looked back since.

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

The best tip I could give, is give it your all and don't let anybody tell you 'you can't do it'. There's always going to be so many doubters, so you have to be your biggest fan. Keep pushing and achieving.

Anything is possible, don't give up. Life's an adventure, go live it. and your energy into working hard so that you can achieve that. Always try your best, that will look different day to day yet know that if you don't get the grades you want the world is full of second chances and opportunities for you to grow and become the individual you want.



Employability Skills Day - 2024

We are looking forward to our **Employability Skills Day** on Tuesday 30th January for our Year 11 students. It is a key day in the calendar where our students come into school with the purpose of answering the question “*what do I want to do when I leave school?*”. It gives the students a clearer perspective of the different career paths that they may choose.

We have received tremendous feedback from those students who attended last year’s event and we are using their feedback to further enhance the current Year 11 students’ 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: from volunteers available to provide support on the day and also utilising our parents’ networks to identify new companies and/or individuals who can give our students an understanding of a broad range of industries and work sectors.

We try to cover as many education pathways, industries and work sectors as possible to inspire our students with normally between 35-40 employers in the hall on the day; remember this represents the first opportunity for many of our students to speak directly with an employer so it is important to get a good mix of companies. The event also allows the students to undertake a fifteen minute job interview which will be followed up with feedback on how they performed and interview tips going forward. In addition to interview skills, there will be a number of workshops for the students to attend on the day. Some of them include: **CV creation**, the **IT industry**, **NHS**, **Apprenticeship information and application process**, **University**, **STEM** and **Education pathways**.

Thanks in advance for any support you can provide to the school for what is a very important step in our students’ futures. If you work for a company whom would like to attend the careers fair or can spare an hour for student interviewing I would love to hear from you. kirstyvinten@chalfonts.org

Thank you!

Employability Skills Day



FITNESS TRAINING CLUB

KIDS & TEENS Fitness Sessions

Monday 3:20pm – 5pm

Wednesday 3:20pm – 5pm

Drop in between these hours

Membership where your kids can exercise with us during the above hours

Fully supervised, we will teach your kids how to safely train in the gym environment

£50 a month membership

www.core-fitness.co.uk

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

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living/contact-helping-hand/>

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)

If you would like to apply for Free Schools Meals for your child please [click here](#) to download the application form. It should be returned to **Rachel MacKeith** or via email rachelmackeith@chalfonts.org



Christmas Fun Night

On Friday 4th of December the CCC choir performed at the annual Fun Night. The children sang their hearts out and the audience couldn't help joining in the chorus of **Wham!'s 'Last Christmas'**. To all performers, staff and parents who braved the freezing conditions the Music Department would like to pass on a massive thank you for making the performance a success.

Mr Swindell - Subject Leader for Music



Helping Hand/ Other Information

CCC Choir Carolling

Opening Hours for School Days Direct

Our store will be closing for the Christmas period on **Wednesday 20th December 2023 at 5:00pm** and re-opening on **Tuesday 2nd January 2024 at 8:00am**. Parents can continue to place uniform orders during this time, however orders will not be processed until our return and may take a few days to be completed due to a high volume of orders at the beginning of term. All information regarding ordering and our shutdown period is also available on our [website](#) should you need to refer to this.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Sixth Form Pantomime

On Wednesday, 13th December our fantastic sixth form drama and performing arts students performed a Pantomime called **"The Wizard of Chalfonts"**.

It was a brilliant performance enjoyed by all who attended.

Mrs Adams - Leader for Drama



18th December 2023 - Choir Concert

Last night we had our Christmas concert in the hall with our talented musicians and choir. Thank you to all our parents/carers whom attended. What a super night we had celebrating our CCC talent. **Mr West** was an excellent compare and we enjoyed his Dad jokes in between songs. Thank you so much **Mrs Winterborne** for organising such fabulous set list for the choir which was upbeat and Christmassy. Thank you also to all the solo, duet and band performers who are **Mr Swindell's** budding musicians.

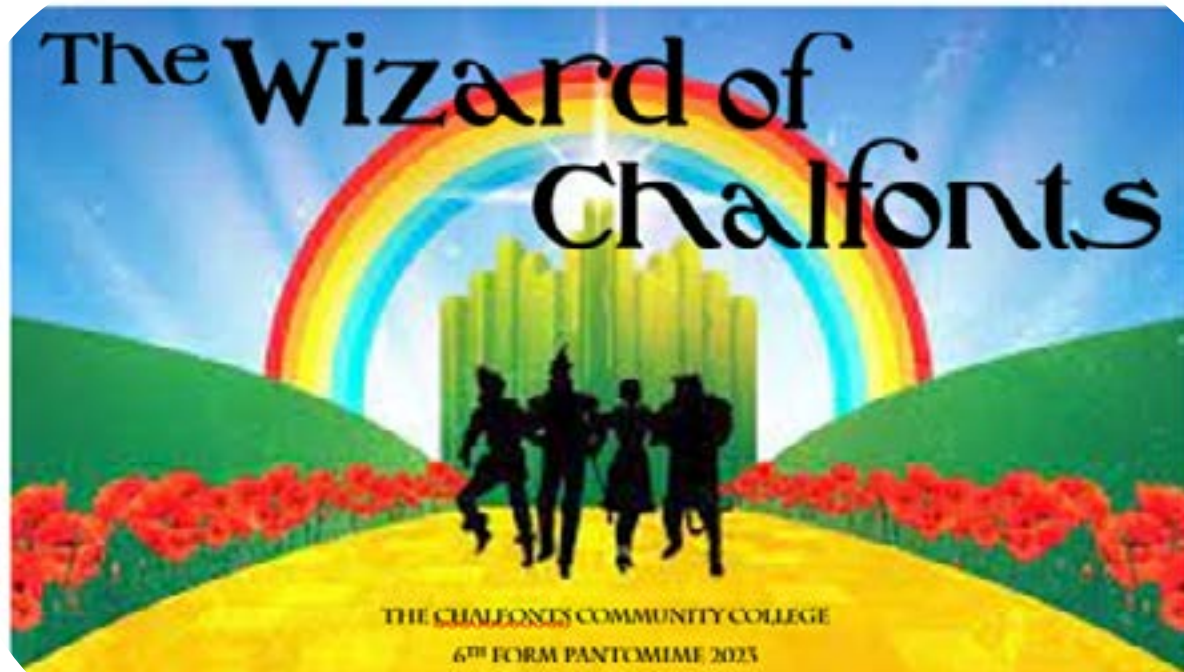
Today **Mrs Winterborne** took our Choir to perform at our local care home, **Windsor Lodge**, to entertain the residents, staff and families.

Mrs Winterborne said *'Once again the CCC Choir and Band were absolute superstars and a real credit to our school community. They should feel very proud for spreading the festive cheer to **Windsor Lodge** for the forth year in a row, usually live streamed via **Youtube**, but this year face-to-face.'*



CCC's Pantomime

Choir Concert



A Message From Our Principal

As we approach the close of another productive term, I am filled with immense gratitude for the dedication and hard work of our remarkable staff. Their unwavering commitment to nurturing, educating, and guiding our students is fundamental in student wellbeing and success. I extend my thanks to our families for your continued support and involvement in our community to support the school values so that our students can thrive. Reflecting on the past few months, it's inspiring to see the strength of our community reflected in our accomplishments, a snapshot of them are showcased in this newsletter. The autumn term has been brimming with incredible activities and events that have showcased the talents, enthusiasm, and creativity of our students. Each success stands as a testament to the collaborative spirit and determination that define us. It's moments like these that remind us of the incredible strength we possess when we come together as a collective force. As we eagerly anticipate the start of a new year, let's carry forward the lessons learned, the memories made, and the bonds that make our community so special. May this festive season be filled with laughter, love, and moments of joy for each and every one of you. Thank you for your continued support, and here's to a bright and promising future ahead. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

Mrs Whitehead - Principal



20th

End of Term -
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