



Together in the Pursuit of Excellence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of this term and start to enjoy the sunshine, I would like to reflect on the positivity I have seen from students this term. Our digital newsletter (link below) shares some of the amazing contributions our students have made, I hope you enjoy looking through it.

We have demonstrated Scholarly Excellence this term in many ways not least with eight of our Year 12 students having the honour of taking part in the Debating Matters UK House of Lords Championship. These students held their own whilst competing with three other schools from around the country. Congleton High School students took part in the Annual Rotary Swimathon achieving over 1000 lengths between them. From Year 7 to Year 13, the training and dedication which has taken place to compete in this competition has been outstanding. We have also had one of our students take second place whilst competing in the North-West final of the Rotary Young Chef Competition, I am extremely proud of this student and the time he has put in to this competition.

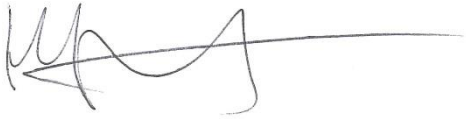
On Monday 12th May we begin exam season for A Level and GCSE students. I know how hard our Year 11 and Year 13 students have worked this year. We are delighted with the progress made in the second set of practice exams and our students are well on the way to achieving the best results at CHS since 2019. It has been a delight to see so many exciting enrichment opportunities on offer for our students and I am very much enjoying the daily updates from the Malta Sports Tour. Each week it is amazing to listen to the rehearsal for Mary Poppins - I am sure this will be the best performance yet! We are looking forward to our annual Spring in a Frame photography competition, which celebrates our talented community. Once again, our House events will really start to ramp up as we move into the final term of the year. Will Mandela House retain the cup or will we see a new name this year? There is so much to look forward to and so much for our staff and students to be part of at CHS.

I would like to acknowledge two staff who are moving on from CHS. We would like to wish our beloved TA, Mrs Ball, a long and happy retirement. She has helped many students in their learning and will be missed. We also say a fond farewell to Mrs Jackson-Moss who has been part of our Science faculty for the last ten years. I would like to wish her all the best in her new career within the NHS.

After Easter we will be communicating with you about the new look parent portal through our new MIS system, Arbor. We are reviewing our achievement point system to ensure this aligns with our House recognition so that we maximise every opportunity to celebrate the individual and collective contributions of our amazing students. More details to follow next term.

I hope you all have a restful Easter break, enjoy the sunshine and we will see you on Tuesday 22nd April.

Kind regards,



Heidi Thurland

Congleton High School's Easter term newsletter: <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/HNPEDwquNr7Oeb0I?ref=Link>

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Staffordshire Children's services 0300 111 8007 Children and Family Services - Staffordshire County Council

Child line 0800 11 11 Childline | Childline

NSPCC 0808 800 5000 NSPCC | The UK children's charity | NSPCC

CEOP online safety CEOP Safety Centre

How to Talk to Your Child about Mental Health | YoungMinds

Relaxation Tips - The Sleep Charity 03303 530 541

Parenting Tips & Tricks - Families Under Pressure - Maudsley Charity

Children's mental health - Every Mind Matters - NHS

Home | My CWA, Cheshire Domestic Abuse Support

Visyon | Empowering Young People - Supporting children's mental health in Congleton

Samaritans | Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy | Here to listen Call 116 123