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Achieving Success Together

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*In memory of
Georgia Ogden*

*A valued member of our
school community and a
friend to many.*



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We Are All In This Together



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Welcome

Many of you will be aware that we lost a much loved member of our school family recently. This has left us all shocked and saddened. Our Head of Sixth Form, Miss Boulton, has shared a few words in this newsletter that sum up just why Georgia was so special to us all. We are a close community at Congleton High School, so this tragic loss has affected us all greatly and our thoughts are with Georgia's family and friends

The end of the school year is a time for reflection, a chance to look back at students' achievements and celebrate collective successes. Despite the unusual circumstances, you will see in this final newsletter of the year, there is much to celebrate and acknowledge. I have never felt so proud of our community and the way our staff, students, parents and carers have pulled together to meet the challenges of the pandemic. We should look back with pride on what we have achieved together and look forward with a renewed sense of optimism that we will continue to meet the challenges that lie ahead.

Reaching the end of a school year can feel like a poignant time for students and their families, but this can be especially true for those students and staff who are leaving us. Mrs Taylor (Assistant Headteacher), Mrs Bartley (MFL and former Assistant Headteacher), Miss Riley (Art & Photography), Miss Pusey (Drama), Mr Walker (Music) and Mr Marere (Maths) are all sadly moving on from Congleton High School either to take on new challenges, or to join a new school, or to embark on the next phase of their lives by starting their retirement. On behalf of everyone in our school community, I would like to express my immense gratitude to them for providing countless opportunities and experiences for our students via their roles, responsibilities, loyalty and commitment and we wish them every success for the future, both professionally and personally.

I hope everyone has a very enjoyable and safe summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming you all back, fully refreshed and recuperated, for the new challenges that will be waiting for us in September.

Mr J Barlow
Headteacher



Update from our Chair of Governors

The lockdown hasn't prevented the governing body from meeting several times via video conference in order to support the school in its provision of ongoing education to students, together with preparation for increasing numbers in September. Students, parents, carers and staff can all be assured that the school is following official government guidance, complemented by local guidance from Cheshire East. At every stage, the school is adopting a risk-based approach designed to ensure the safety of both students and staff.

We would like to wish all of our departing students the very best of luck in the next stage of their development, be it work-based or in further education. We would also like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Year 7 starters who join us in September from a total of twenty-two different schools.

Once again, I would like to offer our sincere thanks to parents and carers for your continuing support and understanding during this difficult period.

Rich Benson
CHS Chair of Governors



Our Sixth Form Leadership Team

At the end of June, our Head of Sixth Form, Miss Boulton, and her team held interviews to select the 2020-21 Student Leadership Team. It was unusual and difficult this year without the help of our Student Panel and the fact that all interviews took place online! The Sixth Form team gathered the evidence they had in order to help make the final decision and used a scoring system, taking into account the online interview, application form and feedback from staff.

This year, the cohort of applicants was particularly strong and the competition for positions extremely close. Every single one of the applicants thoroughly deserved a place on the Student Leadership Team. Each candidate came with their own strengths, insights and ideas on the differences they wanted to make to our school for their fellow students. This, perhaps, shone through more clearly across all this year's candidates than in many other years.

When we return to school in September, following Lockdown, we will need this united strength and talent to try to overcome the many challenges that we will face. All the Student Leaders will have a part to play in supporting the student body after this long period of time out of school, where many students have faced difficult circumstances. Indeed, within their interviews and application forms, most of the applicants themselves indicated that they saw this as a big part of their responsibility this year.

Because of the mammoth task to be undertaken this year and the fact that the applicants were so strong, an extra tier of leadership (Assistant Head Boy and Assistant Head Girl) has been added, which is hoped will allow additional support to be offered to students and also enable the mini-projects that this team of Student Leaders want to push forward to be developed and led more efficiently.

Congratulations to the following students, who have been selected to represent our Sixth Form and the school this year. We look forward to seeing you all grow and succeed in your roles:

Name	Position	Name	Position
Thomas Kennedy	Head Boy	Melanie Ashun	Student Leader
Clara Jackson	Head Girl	Olivia Barber	Student Leader
Sam Worthington	Deputy Head Boy	Rachael Carman	Student Leader
Ru Morgan	Deputy Head Boy	Harriet Cooper	Student Leader
Amelia Lehm	Deputy Head Girl	Amy Cosgrove	Student Leader
Josie Robertson	Deputy Head Girl	Mia Donathy	Student Leader
Matthew Owen	Assistant Head Boy	Lily Hancock	Student Leader
Summer Pass	Assistant Head Girl	Chelsea Jackson	Student Leader
Ella Prior	Assistant Head Girl	Lucy Kennedy	Student Leader
Becki Birkin	Assistant Head Girl	Imogen Miller	Student Leader
Tom Darlington	Student Leader	Beth Mitchell	Student Leader
Ben Evans	Student Leader	Cara Moss	Student Leader
Jack Evans	Student Leader	Rosie Sadlier	Student Leader

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank and pay tribute to our departing Student Leadership Team, led by Head Boy, Alex Lehm, and Head Girl, Lara Nuttall.



The 2019-2020 Team have been excellent role models for our main school students. In addition to supporting many school events such as New Intake Day, Open Evenings, Careers Events, PiP Discos and our Year 6 Cultural Diversity Day, they also undertook many successful projects of their own.



The team were involved in starting our **Eco Club**, with their first project planting trees all around the school. They held meetings of a small lobbying group and met with Mr Barlow to discuss changes that could be made to the school from a student's perspective, many of which were successfully implemented as a result.

They also raised hundreds of pounds for local and national charities and one of their major achievements was the Foodbank Friday initiative, which benefitted many local families in Congleton. In the run up to Christmas, their collections of a different food stuff each week led to the donation of hundreds of food products to the Storehouse Foodbank at New Life Church.

We wish them all the very best for the future and know that we will hear news of their continued success.

Useful Emergency and Support Contact Details

If you are worried about yourself or someone else during school closure, please don't struggle to cope alone.

Listed below are useful contact emails, telephone numbers and websites:

- For safeguarding concerns about a child, call The **Cheshire East Consultation Service** (ChECS) on: 0300 123 5012, Option 3. (For out of hours calls, contact the Emergency Duty Team on: 0300 123 5022)
- **NSPCC** - Tel: 0808 800 5000
- **NHS Urgent Care** - (non-emergency) Tel: 111 (999 for emergencies)
- The **Young Minds** website has lots of useful advice and information for any student anxious about COVID-19 or any other issues. Visit www.YoungMinds.org.uk or <https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/what-to-do-if-you-re-anxious-about-coronavirus/> Young people can access urgent help by **texting YM to 85258** (free from most networks). Parents can contact the free Parents Helpline (Monday-Friday 9:30am-4pm) 0808 8025544 (free for mobile and landlines).
- **Cheshire and Wirral Partnership** NHS Trust has launched a new mental health helpline: 0300 303 3972 for residents of Cheshire East. It's open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for people of all ages including children and young people who need urgent mental health support.
- **Childline** - Tel: 0800 1111
- **Kooth** - Online Counselling - <http://www.kooth.com>
- **Samaritans** - Tel: 116 123 or email jo@samaritans.org
- **Wellbeing Hub** - mental health support for 16-19 year olds <https://www.youinmind.org/service/395/self-referral-wellbeing-hub>
- **Visyon** - mental health charity for children <https://livewellservices.cheshireeast.gov.uk/Services/1070/Visyon>
- **Cheshire East Carers Hub** - for all young carers <https://livewellservices.cheshireeast.gov.uk/Services/4387/Cheshire-East-Carers>
- **Domestic Abuse:**
 - Women can call on: 0808 2000 247, the free 24-hour **National Domestic Violence Helpline** run in partnership between Women's Aid and Refuge
 - Men can call the **Men's Advice Line** free on: 0808 801 0327 (Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm) or **ManKind** on: 01823 334 244
- **Cheshire Without Abuse** - <http://www.cheshirewithoutabuse.org.uk> or: 01270 250390 - whole family support for domestic abuse
- Anyone who needs confidential help with their own abusive behaviour can contact **Respect** on their free helpline on: 0808 802 4040.
- The **Storehouse Congleton Foodbank** <https://www.nlchurch.org.uk/community/the-storehouse/>
- **Newcastle (Staffs) Foodbank** <https://newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk/>
- **Government** Email for Education related questions: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk
- For **CHS Updates**: <https://www.congletonhigh.com/308/coronavirus-information>

Remembering Georgia

Miss Boulton, CHS Head of Sixth Form, has paid tribute to our Year 13 student, Georgia Ogden, who died recently:

We are heartbroken that we recently lost a valued member of our school community in a tragic road traffic incident. Georgia Ogden was a beautiful person inside and out who had such a positive outlook on life. She always talked about the exciting events and opportunities that she had planned with her family and friends, who all loved and cherished her so dearly.

Georgia was a vibrant young woman who loved musical theatre. She had a big personality and a truly infectious laugh. Georgia enjoyed acting and could entertain the room with her accents and characters. She was heavily involved in theatre at the Daneside and she loved nothing more than performing a 10 minute version of whichever show she was currently in, playing all parts, singing and dancing through all the numbers. Georgia was a talented actress and in recent months had enjoyed the challenge of working on some quite serious issues.

She didn't find everything easy but pushed herself to succeed and develop, qualities that made her a special person. She was a very popular young lady who had a sunny outlook on life, eagerly awaiting the next chapter as her school years were coming to an end. The loss of Georgia is an unimaginable tragedy, which family, friends and the whole school community are still coming to terms with.

Georgia will be missed for her ability to walk into a room and make everyone smile, for her kindness and bubbly personality.

RIP Georgia Leigh Ogden 15 August 2002 - 25 June 2020



Collecting Exam Results

As with everything else since the outbreak of Covid-19, our annual Results Days will not be quite the same this year as in previous years. However, given that Year 13 and Year 11 have already had to miss out on some of the rites of passage associated with this stage of their school lives, we are delighted that we can invite students into school to personally collect their results.

A Level results will be available on **Thursday 13th August** from 9am - 11am

GCSE results will be available on **Thursday 20th August** from 9am - 11am

If students are unable to collect their results on the day, they should provide an A4 stamped addressed envelope to our Examinations Officer, Mrs Isherwood, in advance. We will be unable to accept telephone or email queries on Results Day.

Students collecting results must enter the school building by themselves and keep a safe social distance at all times. Accompanying parents must remain outside the school building and also keep a safe social distance from others, ideally in their car.

There will be a one-way system through school to collect results: students will enter via the Main School Reception, move into the Hall to collect results and then exit straight out of the Hall and out of the school through the blue gates by the kitchens.

Mr Warren will be available to address any issues that might arise regarding examination results. Miss Boulton will also be available for any queries regarding enrolment into the Sixth Form or the impact results might have on future pathways, e.g. acceptance into university. Support with any issues relating to university offers will also be available during the day in the Sixth Form Centre. (Students must be referred by Miss Boulton.)



A Level students are reminded to bring with them the (completed) Post Sixth Form Destination slip, which was emailed to them in July. Blank copies will be available on the day if needed.

Although this year will be very different to previous and (we really hope) future years, we will still be here to congratulate and support all of our students. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if there is anything you wish to discuss about the arrangements for Results Day.

Caring for the Carers



Right at the beginning of lockdown, keen to put their skills to good use, our Design and Technology team produced a batch of PPE face visors to supply local NHS and frontline workers. After sharing their work on social media, they received so many offers of help and support from Congleton and surrounding areas, that a Just Giving page was created to enable them to raise £500 towards more materials. After only a few hours the total had shot up to over £1,000 and is now almost £3,000, which meant the Team have been able to continue to supply

vital equipment to all those who need it.

They spoke with frontline workers for advice and looked at existing designs, then created a successful prototype, which is adjustable but does not use elastic as this can cause pressure, bruising and sores. The visors give enough space for a pair of glasses and allow a face mask to be worn underneath. The polypropylene headbands and clear acetate screens are both flexible and easy to clean.

92 masks were produced on the first day and these were shared between Heather Brae Supported Living Network, Heath View, Meadowside Medical Centre, Clayton Manor Care Home, Astbury Mere Care Home and Dr Robinson and Partners at Kidsgrove Medical Centre. The Team were also proud to provide a mask to a former CHS student, who is now an A&E doctor at Royal Stoke University Hospital

The original 2D design, shared by Sandbach School, was tweaked to maximise production on CHS machines, enabling 60 full headsets to be produced per hour. Two laser cutters created each of the three sections of the headband, then the clear screen was guillotine cut and shaped with scissors. Before constructing the visor by hand, each component was sanitised. The completed visors were then bagged and distributed with a note from the Team and advice on cleaning. The visors were not NHS tested but, as most of the recipients had none, they were a welcome gift from the school and local community.



Along with the original design of visors, the team created a range of child-friendly 'toppers', which slotted on to the top of the basic visor. They included bunny, dog and cat ears, crowns and birds and the idea was to help make the visors a little less intimidating for any younger patients.

All staff observed the Government's recommended social distancing guidelines, wearing face masks and gloves and using antibacterial cleaners for themselves and the finished visors.

Headteacher, Mr Barlow, commented on the Team's efforts:

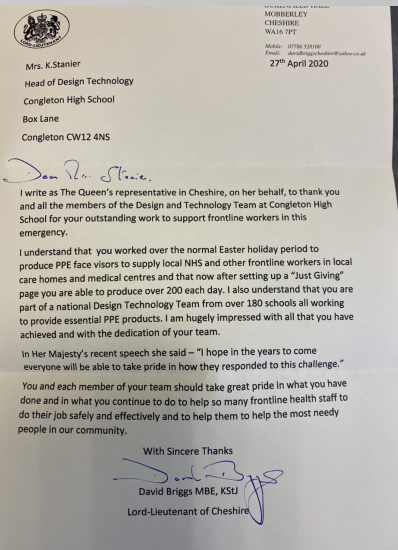
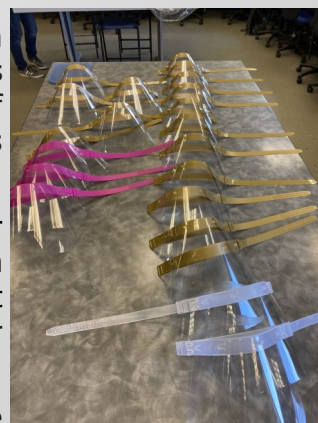
"I am so proud of the work that our Design and Technology Department undertook to help protect our NHS and other essential workers. This was and still is a difficult time for everyone and I have been delighted at the way that all of the CHS team stepped in to help, whether that be to provide PPE for frontline workers, volunteer for the NHS or to join me at school providing a safe place for vulnerable and key workers' children."

The DT team, and the whole school, were proud and delighted to receive a letter from Lord-Lieutenant of Cheshire, Mr David Briggs at the end of April, thanking them for their "outstanding work to support frontline workers in this emergency". He continued:

"...each member of your team should take great pride in what you have done and in what you continue to do to help so many frontline health staff to do their job safely and effectively and to help them to help the most needy people in our community."

The CHS Just Giving page is active and the amount still climbing. You can contribute at: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/congleton-high-school>

A massive thank you to everyone for their support, offers of help and contributions to the Just Giving fund. Anyone who would like to enquire about supplies of masks should contact our Head of DT, Mrs Stanier, on 01260 730123 or by email: kstanier@congletonhigh.com



Happy to Help

Our fantastic DT Team have been so proud to be able to supply visors to many NHS and other frontline workers. You can read a few of the stories on this page.

One request that really touched their hearts was from the mother of this beautiful little girl awaiting surgery at Royal Stoke Hospital. She has frequent visits to hospital and the donated visors mean that her mum will be now able to travel with her in the ambulance and stay with her in A&E.

The DT Team were delighted to be able to donate 3 visors to the family and received a wonderful thank you letter from her and her mum:

"A big thank you for my lovely gifts this afternoon, it will help me, mum and dad when I need to go into hospital during these difficult times.



Leighton Hospital Paediatric Dietitians, Kath Simpson and Liz Hodson, work with children in the hospital and community. Our DT Team supplied them with visors, complete with the fun and child-friendly animal and crown 'toppers.'



Adriana Jaracz, Client Services Manager at Astbury Mere Care Home, sent this photo of some of the staff wearing the visors.

She wrote: *"On behalf of everyone at Astbury Mere Care Home, I would like to say a big thank you...We are lucky to be a part of a very supportive community."*



Nursing staff at Royal Stoke Hospital have also been able to add our DT Team's visors to their extensive PPE safety wear. The team were proud to deliver 100 visors to help these NHS heroes to stay safe while at work.



Home-care providers, Care Connect, received fifty visors and Director, Thomas, and Manager, Colleen, wrote to thank the team:

"..on behalf of our clients, their relatives, our staff and their families. It really does make a huge difference and we would be very grateful if you could pass on our thanks to everyone involved."

Our DT team were proud to be able to help the Northwich Vision Express staff feel safer when they returned to work after lockdown by providing them with supplies of visors.

Previous visors they had tried became painful and uncomfortable very quickly so the Vision Express staff were delighted that CHS' were so good that:

"You don't know you're wearing it until you hit the shield on something!"



The team at the Laurels Care Home, Congleton, were able to combine their PPE face masks with the visors provided by CHS to help prevent the spread of germs and viruses and offer additional peace of mind to both staff and residents.



The team at Heather Brae Supported Living Network in Congleton were amongst the first to receive supplies of the visors.



Dr Robinson and Partners surgery in Kildsgrove were able to give visors to all of their staff, ensuring that both their reception and medical teams were able to stay protected along with keeping their patients safe.



Our DT team delivered 25 PPE visors to Ravenswood Care Home, Kildsgrove. The simple, yet effective design of the visors meant they were ready to wear just 3 minutes after drop off, protecting these frontline heroes!



Options Higford Special School in Shropshire, has 29 day and residential pupils aged from 3 to 19, most of whom have acute special needs and Autism, and find normal visors intimidating and difficult to process. Our DT team were able to provide 40 visors with child-friendly animal toppers, ensuring that the staff had adequate supplies to keep themselves and the children protected.



Remote Learning Success

The current school closure is a totally unique experience for us all as students, teachers and support staff so we have been really proud of the wonderful work achieved across all subject areas. We have shared examples of the fabulous work and the many praise cards and Star of the Week certificates with you through our social media and here are a few reminders.

MathsWatch Top Users Last Week

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1. Kieran N	1. Lewis W	1. Joseph B	1. Anya W
2. Sebastian S	2. Amelia H	2. Ebony L	2. Nicole A
3. Daniel J	3. Daniel C	3. Alex J	3. Sarah T
4. Beth S	4. Lilla B	4. Emily T	4. Bobby CV
5. George C	5. Jessica L	5. Lewis C	5. Ryan C

Science
Congratulations Noah

You have been awarded this praise post card from Science for your fantastic presentation on Evolution and Extinction!

Well done and keep up your incredible work and effort

Mrs Jackson-Moss

CHS
CHS Year 9 English Language

Well done!
You are being recognised for your great work.

Awarded to: Lily H
Nominated by: Mrs Robson

Review of Stoke City Football Club

I am in doubt that Stoke City FC is by far the best football club in our area... let me explain why.

Stoke City have a long history. They are the second oldest professional football club in the world and were one of the founding members of the Football League. The club were originally founded under the name Stoke Ramblers in 1863, but 15 years later they merged with Stoke Victoria Cricket Club and became Stoke Football Club. In 1925, when Stoke-on-Trent was granted 'City Status' their name changed again, this time to Stoke City Football Club. Throughout the years they have attracted thousands of loyal supporters, many from different countries around the world. They have played host to many of the world's top teams, including the mighty Barcelona FC. They have attracted numerous top flight, iconic, international players, including Stanley Matthews, Gordon Banks, Michael Owen and Peter Crouch. All of these players spoke highly of the club. Peter Crouch said on many occasions "I love playing for Stoke".

Photo: Peter Crouch playing for Stoke City.

But for some unknown reason, many people can't see just how great Stoke City are! This was highlighted in 2008, when following their promotion to the Premier League, bookmaker Paddy Power offered great odds on Stoke City to be relegated. However, under Tony Pulis they finished on an impressive 12th on their return to the top flight, silencing their doubters. In addition to being amazing on the pitch, Stoke City demonstrate admirable behaviour off the pitch. Their ethos is one based around community spirit. In recent years to local economy has suffered and in response to this, Stoke City have not increased their season ticket prices for over a decade, making them the cheapest pro football club in the top 2 divisions of the UK league. Not only do they support their fans by ensuring affordable matchday tickets, they also help the local community through their charitable trust (Stoke City Community Trust) which focuses on helping children and people with disabilities. Each year, almost £200,000 is generously spent on these good causes.

Stoke City takes huge pride in helping serve the local community. Find out more about what we do...

Y7 Design Technology Creativity Challenge

Student	Distance
Josie Harvey and Jess Rogers	187
Lola Craddock	156
Lily Price	121.62
Leo Knight	114.36
Callum Barber	113.58
Cieran Barber	110
Jonah Carosy	110
Ella Woodman	103.4
Daniel Carter	103
Bobby Brightwell	101.24
Oliver Heath	101
Joe Eaton	100.6
Jack Copeland	100
Harry McFarlane	100
Lottie Hughes	76.66
Tyler Mistry	65.75
Jayden Kirk	63
Louis Kearney	52
Callum Aidley	50.1
Reuben Hanks	43
Oliver Barnes	35.7
Charlie Perry	32
Ruby Jennings	27.5
Alyssa Whalley	24.43
Isaac Cambridge	19.04
Lottie Farmer	16.5
Libby Harding	16.5
Mia Jones	16.04
Jakob Blunt	11.46
Ethan Knapper	11.04
Alfie Walton	11
Joe Harrison	5.66
Abigail Finley	5.5
Charlie Yarwood	5.5
Jack Riley	5.04
Harry Bosworth	2.36

CHS Year 9 English

STAR OF THE WEEK

Awarded to: Ethan T
Signed: Mrs McKenzie Date: 26.06.2020

CHS Millionaire Readers

Daisy A 3.5 million	Daniel A 1.5 million
Emily C 1.7 million	Bethany S 1.1 million
Matthew E 4 million	Oliver S 1.2 million
Barney M 4.4 million	Katie M 1.7 million
Rhys L 1 million	Louie D 1 million
Harry S 1.2 million	James H 1.2 million
Hannah S 1.2 million	Emma L 2.8 million
Ethan C 1.1 million	Amelia N 1.5 million
Charlotte F 1.6 million	Isabelle P 1.5 million
Dorothy F 1 million	Lucie Anna G 1 million
Tilly H 1.1 million	Jessica L 2.2 million
Isabelle M 1 million	
Andrew S 1.5 million	

Y12 Research project | By: Mei Auhun

CHS Year 9 English

STAR OF THE WEEK

Awarded to: Ethan T
Signed: Mrs McKenzie Date: 26.06.2020

PE STAR OF THE WEEK!

Well done to...

Research: Bentley Motors

WELL DONE

From everyone at the Art Department for your hard work producing some great art this week. Keep it up!

Stay home a stay safe

Mrs Figiel's Year 7 Science - Wind Turbines

Benjamin T, Barney M, Daniel A, Emily C, Drew S, Sarah-Louise S, Georgia B, Elyse S, Jake F, Finley H, Lewis H

CHS Year 9 English

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Lockdown Freetime

In addition to all the great remote schooling taking place, our students found time to enjoy their hobbies, help out at home, look after their pets and learn some new and useful skills that will be of great benefit later in life. Judging by the photographs we received, the favourite pastime of many students seemed to be cookery!



Key Dates for Your Diary

Friday 17th July 2020	Summer Term Ends for Students
Thursday 13th August 2020	A Level Results Day
Thursday 20th August 2020	GCSE Results Day
Wednesday 26th August 2020	6th Form Enrolment Day
Thursday 27th August 2020	6th Form Enrolment Day
Wednesday 2nd September 2020	Y7 and Y12 Students Return to School
Thursday 3rd September 2020	Remaining Students Return to School
Friday 23rd October 2020	School closes for Half Term Break
Monday 2nd November 2020	Town INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd November 2020	School opens to students
Wednesday 11th November 2020	GCSE Awards Evening
Tuesday 15th December 2020	A Level Awards Evening
Friday 18th December 2020	Christmas break begins
Monday 4th January 2021	School opens to students

Please note: Due to the current uncertainty surrounding events, the key dates have been limited, to term dates and a small number of other events, which may be subject to change.

Celebrating Victory

As we could not celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE Day on Friday 8th May in school this year, our Humanities team challenged Year 7 and Year 8 students to produce something from home to mark the occasion. We saw some wonderful examples of work, a few of which can be seen below, and we shared these throughout the day on the Humanities and school social media accounts.



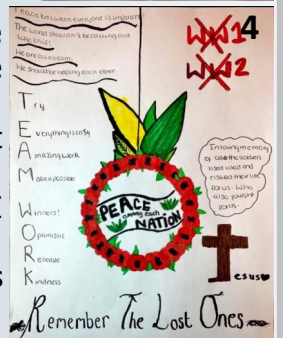
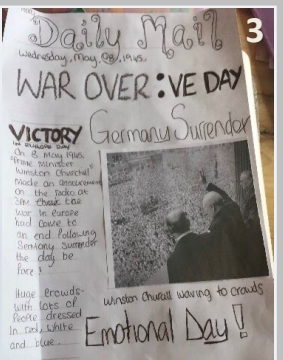
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1. OH in Year 8 painted this beautiful scene in remembrance of the soldiers' sacrifice .
2. JH in Year 8 wrote a newspaper article as it might have been written on the 8th May 1945. He did lots of additional research into the ongoing war with Japan.

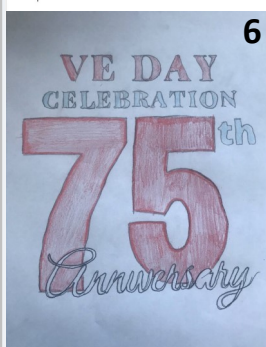


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3. OF in Year 7 created this newspaper front cover, with the images hinting at what a big celebration VE Day was to the people at that time.
4. BS in Year 7 created this excellent poster that remembers lost loved ones and advocates for peace .



5. TC in Year 7 made this excellent poster celebrating WWII soldiers
6. FC and JT in Year 8 made posters to commemorate this year's anniversary .



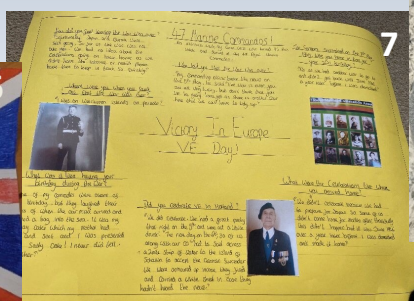
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7. LG in Year 8 interviewed her great-uncle, a WWII veteran, who recalled his experiences of VE Day. While he did celebrate a little, it was not a completely happy moment for him as he was still deployed and knew war was still taking place in Asia .
8. Bayley M in Year 8 created this mixed media commemorative plaque for his Art Upcycling project



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9. Year 9 brothers, Josh and Dan BP, showed their respects on the day in their own way outside their home.



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Lockdown Olympiad



Our Year 12 students competed in the international Royal Society of Biology Intermediate Biology Olympiad, which took place between 2-9 June this year.

Participants take a one hour paper covering topics studied at GCSE and the first year of A Level, with top scoring students awarded a 'publicly recognised certificate'.

8,750 students took part worldwide and eight CHS students achieved certification: Rachael C, Ellie L, Jack E, Lucy B, Amy C, Josie S, Bethany M and Amelia L (outperforming 3,754 other students).

A special mention goes to Bethany who achieved Silver and Josie, who achieved Bronze. Only the top 30% of entrants were awarded a Bronze, Silver or Gold, so these two CHS Biologists surpassed 6,125 other students to achieve these awards! Well done to everyone who took part.



Summer Market Substitute



Coronavirus restrictions, we've set up a JustGiving page here: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/chsummermarket?utm_term=VeYe7XrMk so that this great charity doesn't miss out.

If you are able to make a donation, we would be really grateful for any amount you could give and delighted to be able to help Cancer Research UK continue their work.

For over a decade, our Year 10 Summer Markets have raised thousands of pounds for great causes, each one chosen by the students themselves.

This year the year group chose [Cancer Research UK](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/chsummermarket?utm_term=VeYe7XrMk) and, as the Market could not take place due to the



All CHS students have a **free** Office 365 account.

If you're struggling to install Microsoft Office from your school email account, take a look at these 'How to' videos from our ICT teacher, Mr Davis:

To Install Office from school email: <https://youtu.be/uiKFax2P04Y>

To Install Office onto a phone: <https://youtu.be/l244sPf7CYQ>

Speak with Mr Davis or Mr Curry in our ICT Team for further details.



Free Office Software

Share Your Success

We love hearing all about our students' incredible achievements in home school and free time. If you'd like to share anything with us (and have parent/carer permission to do so), please don't send it via social media but email the information, with photos if possible, to:

Success@CongletonHigh.com



Uniform, Kit, Books and More

If you haven't joined our Facebook group, **CHS Buy, Sell, Swap and Donate**, already, please feel free to sign up and list all your school related items - uniform, PE kit, required reading texts, textbooks etc.

We also welcome any donations of text books, revision guides or items of uniform you no longer need, please drop them in to Main or Student Reception, where they will be gratefully received and passed on.



Sum Kind of Wonderful

A group of our Set One Year 7 and Year 8 students took part in the UK Mathematics Trust annual Junior Maths Challenge in June. Like many events at the moment, it took place online this year but our students still performed exceptionally well, making the top forty percent and above, achieving a host of Gold, Silver and Bronze certificates as follows:



Gold Nia G Y7, Becky L Y7, Danny N Y7, Elitsa R Y8, Emma L Y8, Bayley BM Y8 and Arran S Y8.

Silver Matthew E Y7, Barney M Y7, Daniel A Y7 and Nathan S Y8

Bronze Edward S Y7, Dawin M Y7, Lewis W Y8, Theo M Y8, Reuben H Y8, James H Y8, Alistair N, Corey W Y8, Jamie C Y8, Matthew R Y8, Josie H Y8, Simeon M Y8, Cruz G Y8, Olivia H Y8 and Kieran R Y8.

Particular congratulations go to Nia G, who performed best in Year 7, and Elitsa R, who performed best overall, answering every single question in the Challenge correctly!

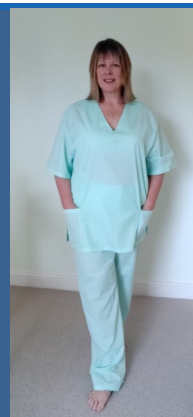
All in this Together

In addition to providing remote schooling for their subject groups or undertaking their normal support role from home, many of our staff have also been involved in helping others. DT Team members, Miss Paling Sparkes and Miss Kenny, helped provide PPE for frontline workers. Miss Paling Sparkes put all her textiles knowledge into practice from the beginning of lockdown, making scrubs for Stoke Hospital. Similarly, Miss Kenny volunteered for Scrubs for Stoke, making theatre hats, button headbands to protect nurses' ears from mask elastic and scrubs wash bags. She also made masks for a cancer patient and their family and for elderly people in the community.



PE Teacher, Mr Hilditch, braved the shave with five of his friends to raise money for the NHS. They collected over £2,000 and really felt the benefit when the hot weather visited briefly!

Cover Supervisor, Mrs Bates, is part of a support group who offer hot meals and food packages for the elderly and vulnerable and has been making soup and baking to help elderly people who are self-isolating in her home-town. Great work, Team CHS!



Keeping in Touch



Our main switchboard **telephone** number is **01260 730123** and will show as this on caller ID



We use **email** as our main method of communicating with parents and carers as it's quick, efficient and cost effective. Please make sure we have your current email address so you don't miss important communications.

We also distribute up-to-the-minute information via **Twitter**, **Facebook** and **Instagram**

@CongletonHS - for general school news and announcements



We also have departmental Twitter accounts for area-specific information including sports team fixtures: [@chsartists](#), [@CHSBus](#), [@CateringCHS](#), [@CHSEnglishDep](#), [@CHShumanities](#), [@honoursprog](#), [@CHSICT](#), [@CHSLanguages](#), [@LawCHS1](#), [@chsmathsdept](#), [@chsmediadept](#), [@CHSPerformers](#), [@PhysEdCHS](#), [@CHSSciences](#), [@CHS_Sixth_Form](#), [@CHSSocSci](#) and [@chstechdept](#)



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