



**THE COLNE**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL & COLLEGE

## February 2024 at The Colne

### Key Dates

**28 February - 1 March** - The Beauty and the Beast performances

**13 - 14 March** - Year 9 DTP & Meningitis Vaccinations

**19 April & 1 May** - Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

### Wivenhoe Pantomime

We are so proud of the number of students who participated in Wivenhoe's Pantomime this year - Peter Pan. A few students shared their experiences:

Annalese, Year 11:

I first participated in the Wivenhoe pantomime in 2019, and am still doing it in Year 11. Every time my confidence increases and I find myself improving. The cast each year is different but we are known by the N.E.T.G to win awards and this year was possibly one of the best yet.

Throughout the week we had 6 sell-out shows and one invited audience show which was a



lot of pressure but very exciting. There is honestly something for everyone whether that's the cast or crew and I hope to participate in the future (that is until I go to university).

Natty, Year 10:

I started doing panto in 2021, starring as a 'binion', a reversed version of a minion- I

was painted blue (sporting an extremely painful blue swimming hat) and wearing yellow dungarees. Not an experience I would have expected to enjoy, but panto seems to make everything fun, from faux fur to face paint. A talented directorial team, live music and a hilarious script come together to make a spectacular show. Definitely doing it next year!

Milly, Year 7:

The pantomime really helped me to express myself in ways I never thought possible. It was a real enjoyment and I recommend it to everyone who enjoys acting and those with a fierce spirit. I loved being part of it for two years now and it feels like an ever-growing family to me.



### **Victorious Vesta**

Vesta only started Karate a couple of years ago and has flourished in her skills and performance. At the beginning of February, Vesta attended the English National Kyu grade championship in Sheffield participating in two categories, and got gold in both of them! Vesta has exceeded all expectations of her and carries on doing so. We share your family's pride - well done Vesta!



### **Space Workshop - Miss Elliott**

During the last half term, our Year 8 students had the opportunity to participate in a space masterclass led by the National Space Academy, focusing on rocket propulsion and the International Space Station.

The session provided an informative look into the mechanics behind rocket launches and landings, explored propulsion systems alongside having the opportunity to see and use a range of items from past launches, including the opportunity to try on a pilot suit.

Students engaged in hands-on activities and experiments, gaining a practical understanding of the concepts. Thanks to the National Space Academy for organising this educational experience.

### **Cross Country - Mr Rudd**

On Tuesday 27 February, 10 students from Years 7 & 8 made the trip to Writtle College to take part in the Essex School Cross Country Competition. There were approximately 250 students competing in each race, from schools all around Essex. Our students represented our school magnificently and showed great resilience to all complete the race in good time. A huge well done to Miles & Noah Freeman, Daniel Mee, Tam Bradford & Jacob Hopton for completing the 3km course in very muddy conditions! Special mentions for Ethan Zinzan, James Clarke, Tamer Gueye and Charlie Andrews who all finished in the top 50 places, this is a great achievement. With Cosmo Bennett finishing as the 7th best Year 7 runner in the whole of Essex (despite falling over and almost losing a shoe during the race!). Cosmo has now been invited to represent Essex Schools Cross Country in the Inter Counties event later this month. A massive well done to the students involved and good luck to Cosmo in his next race!

### **Year 11 Prom - Wednesday 3rd July 2024 - Mr Rudkins**

Further to my recent communication regarding this year's Year 11 Prom, I would like to update you with further details.

As we are all aware, many families are facing financial difficulties currently. With this in mind, I would like to firstly bring to your attention a 'pop up prom shop' at **The Stanway School on Friday 1 March 2024 from 3.30pm - 6pm**. It stocks over 300 prom dresses and £3,500 worth of suits which are available to hire rather than purchase. If you attend and then decide to visit local prom shops you will receive 20% off Anthony Formal Hire.

I would also like to bring to your attention a 'pop up prom shop' which stocks **free prom attire** in all different sizes and styles. It can be found at the following dates and venues:

**Sunday 28 April 9.30am - 2pm** - Harwich Arts and Heritage Center, Main Road, Dovercourt, CO124AJ (next to the Mayflower School).

**Saturday 4 May 9.30am - 2pm** - Elim Pentecostal Church, Clematis Way, Greenstead, CO4 3PY

**Sunday 5 May 9.30am - 2pm**- Anti Loo brigade, Lakelands Community Centre, 2 Western Approach, Colchester, CO3 8DX

**Monday 6 May (Bank Holiday)** - Harlow Great Parndon Community Centre, Abercrombie Way, Harlow, CM18 6YJ

**Saturday 11 May** - Maldon Plantation Hall, Heybridge, Colchester Road, Maldon, CM9 4AL

**Sunday 19 May** - Great Clacton Community Centre, 16-26 Valley Road, CO15 4AR

Just to remind you, arrival at Wivenhoe House is from **6.30pm**. As with other years, we would like to advise parents/carers that there is space at the entrance for families to take photographs of their child arriving on the red carpet. Once your child has entered the event, we respectfully request that parents/carers leave the premises to allow the celebrations to continue in the grounds.

Students can make their own way home so long as they inform a member of staff. If you are collecting your child from the premises, departure time is no later than **10.30pm**.

Payment should be made online using ParentPay by **24th May 2024**. If you are unable to pay by ParentPay and need a barcoded letter, please contact the Colne main office on 01206 303511.

We look forward to seeing you on 3rd July 2024 for this memorable evening.

Finally, a kind reminder that orders for hoodies need to be submitted by **22 March 2024 directly to Hartland Hoodies**. Below is the school's unique link to the online shop.

[www.hartlandhoodies.com/school-leavers-hoodies/the-colne-community-school-leavers-hoodie-shop](http://www.hartlandhoodies.com/school-leavers-hoodies/the-colne-community-school-leavers-hoodie-shop)

If you have any queries regarding the prom, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Rudkins via [mail@colne.school](mailto:mail@colne.school).

### **New Classroom - D2**

We are excited to present the new Design and Technology classroom over in our new D Block. Equipped with new computers, machines, and furniture, we look forward to welcoming our students into this space.



**Beauty and the Beast - Why should you join next time?**

Hollie Dennis says "I think you should join because you can take part in acting in an incredible show, gain great experience and confidence while performing to a crowd. You can gain more friends and skills which would benefit you long term."



**Wed 28 Feb**  
4.30pm

**Thu 29 Feb**  
6.45pm

**Fri 1 Mar**  
6.45pm

**Disney**  
**BEAUTY**  
AND THE  
**BEAST**

© Disney

**JR**

**The Colne Community School**

**£10 Adult, £5 Concession, £25 Family (2+2)**   
*Tickets available via the school website and [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)*

Music by **Alan Menken**, Lyrics by **Howard Ashman and Tim Rice**, Book by **Linda Woolverton**  
Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International. 421 West 54<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019

**Colchester Operatic Society - Calling all 11-23 year olds!**

We are delighted to announce our auditions for our upcoming CO2 show, Legally Blonde.

Due to overwhelming interest, we are offering one of 3 pre-audition workshops, during which the audition content will be covered (vocal and movement, with more information on roles that can be auditioned for). Please go to this [website](#) for more information and the pre-audition workshop form.

All pre-audition workshops will be held at Philip Morant School on the following dates:

Sunday 17 March 10.15-12.45

Sunday 17 March 13.15-15.45

Tuesday 19 March 19.30-22.00



**MERCURY**  
Colchester Operatic Society 2nd Edition (CO2)

**LEGALLY  
BLONDE**  
*The Musical*

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY  
Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin

BOOK BY  
Heather Hach

Based on the novel by Amanda Brown  
and the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer motion picture

**THU 24 - SUN 27 OCT 2024**  
mercurytheatre.co.uk | colchesteroperaticsociety.co.uk

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International  
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI [www.mtishows.co.uk](http://www.mtishows.co.uk)

# CLACTON RUGBY CLUB UNDER 16'S

VALLEY ROAD, CO15 6NA

- PLAYERS WANTED
- School years 10/11/12
- FIRST MONTH FREE
- Friendly welcoming Team



## PLAYERS WANTED

### WHY RUGBY?

- NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED
- IMPROVES PHYSICAL STRENGTH
- BUILDS CHARACTER & SOCIAL SKILLS
- BE PART OF A GREAT TEAM
- HELP BUILD CONFIDENCE
- FOR ALL ABILITIES



MORE INFO INCLUDING TRAINING TIMES

# CLACTON RUGBY CLUB GIRLS

VALLEY ROAD, CO15 6NA

- GIRLS WANTED
- School years 7-11
- FIRST MONTH FREE
- Weekly Training
- Welcoming Teams



**PLAYERS  
WANTED**

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