
News, Events and Updates at Chatham Grammar

Woodland Trust - Gold Award

Since 2018 the student led Green Team, in conjunction with the Site Team at Chatham Grammar have meet weekly to discuss ideas and put plans into action to actively reduce plastic, recycle waste, and green up the academy. They have highlighted areas of the academy where initiatives could be put into action, such as emptying the recycling bins every Friday (prior to COVID-19 restrictions), litter picking, seed sowing, and other outdoor activities.

We are pleased to announce that Chatham Grammar have been awarded the Woodland Trust Gold Award.

To find out further information about the Woodland Trust Schools Award, please click on the following link: <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/support-us/act/your-school/green-tree-schools-award/>



University for the Creative Arts - Youcreate Competition



We are delighted to announce that Emma, one of our Year 10 students, has been shortlisted for the annual University for the Creative Arts (UCA) Youcreate Competition with a superb entry. Emma's work is currently on display on the UCA website and is in the running to win one of the top prizes!

Best of luck Emma!

To view the shortlisted entries and statements for each art piece, please click on the following link:

<https://www.uca.ac.uk/study-at-uca/KaMCOP/YouCreate-Competition/>

100m Kent Championships Success

Huge congratulations to Princess (Year 10) and Rebeccah (Year 9) who have recently competed in the 100m Kent Schools Athletics Championships, which took place at the Julie Rose Stadium in Ashford on Saturday 14th June.

Princess and Rebeccah stormed over the finishing line, securing 1st and 3rd place respectively! Rebeccah has also competed in the England Schools competition in Manchester, with the prospect of qualifying for the European Competition. Good luck Rebeccah!



RHS School Gardening Awards - Levels 1 and 2

Chatham Grammar's Green Team, the Year 8 Geography garden design project, and the Site Team have been working extremely hard over recent months enabling them to achieve the Level 1 and 2 RHS (Royal Horticultural Society) School Gardening Awards. To achieve the Level 1 Award, students were asked to write up to 80 words about their future gardening plans to receive a colourful growing year calendar full of sowing and growing tips and fun activities to do in the academy garden.



Following on from the Level 1 success, the team were keen to achieve the Level 2 Award! Again the students had to write up to 80 words telling RHS about their gardening activities, who is involved, what skills are being taught/learned, and what their achievements are so far, together with four photos showing their developments.

We look forward to seeing the academy gardens flourish. Congratulations to all involved - a fabulous achievement!



Plastic Free Schools Status

We are pleased to announce that Chatham Grammar has been awarded the Plastic Free Schools Status!

Chatham Grammar are contributing to creating waves of positive environmental

change, and have committed to keeping the academy free of unnecessary single-use plastic.

If you would like to find out further information about Plastic Free Schools, please click on the following link: <https://plasticfreeschools.org.uk/>



Year 12 - Working in Health and Social Care

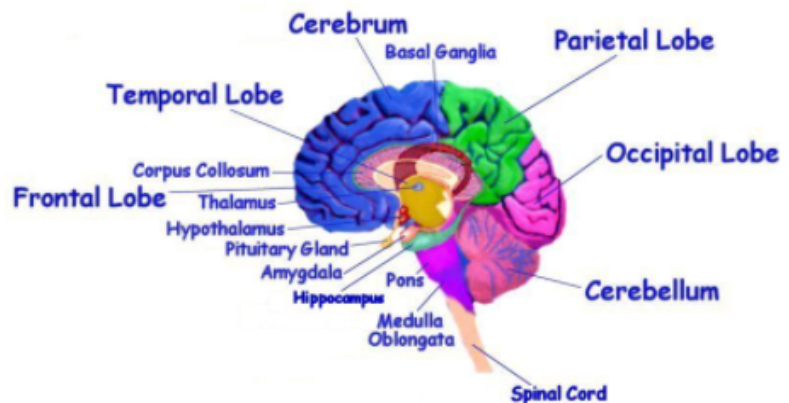
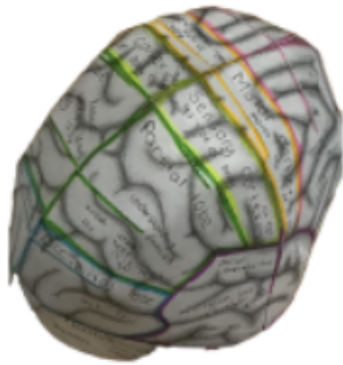
On Monday 21st June, our Year 12 Health and Social Care students participated in a live Zoom talk with a nurse at Medway Maritime Hospital. The talk was arranged to help them as part of their unit of work on 'Working in Health and Social Care'. The nurse talked about her career, together with the differences between nursing in the UK and India, and what a typical day on a ward looks like. She also gave the students an insight into the different responsibilities she has, and how her job changed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Many thanks to Medway Maritime Hospital for a really informative presentation.



Year 10 Psychology

During Term 6 Year 10 Psychology students have started the topic 'Development' and have been looking at the structures of the brain. To fully immerse themselves into this topic, students have created brain hats to help them learn the different areas of the brain and their functions.



Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition

We are super proud of our Year 11 Silver participants who successfully completed their expeditions at the beginning of July. All students had a great time and passed their assessed expedition, while gaining lifelong memories.



India, DofE Ambassador - Practice Expedition

"I completed my DofE Silver practice expedition from Thursday to Saturday at the end of June with a team of five other students. I wanted to reflect on the experience and tell you some of our favourite memories. The three days were all so memorable, so it's hard to choose; I know our group enjoyed the campsites, with each day feeling accomplished with our very long walks! It was tough at times, and we felt exhausted, but together we encouraged each other to make it one step further. We came together as a team, and our bond as friends grew too. Through endless fields we laughed, sang and moaned about the far-off finish line!

Our second night at the campsite will be a time many of us will treasure - staff and participants all sat together reminiscing on the past few days. We all laughed and enjoyed some delicious s'mores on the campfire. There are so many things that I will take from this, an experience I will remember for a lifetime."



Special DofE Mentions

Special mentions to Mia and Emily from Year 10 who have completed their Volunteering sections of the award. Well done!

Library News

We are pleased to announce that the library is now open each morning, break and lunch times, and after school. The tables are sanitised and students are encouraged to sanitise their hands before touching the books. It has been amazing to welcome the students back to the Library! It has opened up more opportunities for students to use the computers, the printer, access clubs, and not forgetting picking up a new book to get stuck into!



Year 7 Kahoot Sessions



This term Year 7 students have continued with their Kahoot sessions at lunchtimes. We have been working on Maths, Science, English, Geography and History. It has been great to do some extra studying to help with students subjects. Students are awarded Leadership Points for participating and for if they win a quiz!

Pride Month Rainbow Cake Competition

To show our support for LGBTQ+, all students were invited to participate in the Rainbow Cake Competition to celebrate Pride Month (June 2021). We had an amazing array of cake entries - here are some of our winners:

CG CHATHAM GRAMMAR **PRIDE Rainbow Cake Competition Winner**



Anna - Year 10
1st place winner of a £20 Amazon Voucher

CG CHATHAM GRAMMAR **PRIDE Rainbow Cake Competition Winners**



Ashlay and Nethmi - Year 8
Joint 2nd place winners of a £10 Amazon Voucher

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Isla - Year 8
Joint 2nd place winner of a £10 Amazon Voucher

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Louise - Year 7
Joint 3rd place winner of a £10 Amazon Voucher

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Cadee - Year 7
Joint 3rd place winner of a £10 Amazon Voucher

To learn more about Pride Month, please click on the following link: <https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/pride-month-2021/>

Current News and Information - Social Media

For the most current news and information at Chatham Grammar, we invite you to follow our social media pages:

Facebook: @ChathamGrammar
Twitter: @ChathamGrammar
Instagram: @ChathamGrammar



We regularly promote competitions for our students and parents/carers on our social media channels.

Access to Higher Education Diploma and GCSE at Chatham Grammar

Do you want to develop your learning skills or return to learning after a break? Would you like to enjoy learning in a supportive atmosphere, and you are keen to gain a valuable qualification? If the answer to any of these is 'yes' then the University of Kent's Access to Higher Education Diploma, together with the GCSE Maths and English courses could be suitable for you.

The Access to Higher Education Diploma is designed for adults and focuses on coursework and discussion. Helpful University of Kent tutors, regular guidance and inspiring sessions are designed to help you reach your full potential.

You can study a range of subjects, including Psychology, Creative Writing, Sociology, Politics with Law, and English Literature. You can also gain skills in research, essay-writing and presentations, and also available are GCSE English and Maths.

The part-time Diploma course will be offered at Chatham Grammar from September, and you are required to take at least three subject modules spread over two years to complete the qualification.

For further information or to register for the courses starting in September 2021, please click the following link:

www.kent.ac.uk/courses/access



Virtual taster sessions are available to adult learners, which give a flavour of the subjects that the University of Kent offers on the Access programme. To sign up for the taster activities, please click the following link:

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/access/brompton-academy/study#taster-sessions>

Facilities for Hire

We are pleased to advise that Chatham Grammar's facilities are now available to hire. For a full list of facilities, further information or to book, please email officecg@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk, alternatively click the following link: <https://www.chathamgrammar.org.uk/facilities-for-hire>



Lettings



- Sports Hall
- Dance Studio
- Main Hall
- Classrooms
- Meeting spaces

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For more information please visit:

<https://www.chathamgrammar.org.uk/facilities-for-hire>

Free Talk Therapy for Adults

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University of Kent Academies Trust **Counselling Service**

FREE Talk Therapy for Adults
**Tuesdays and Thursdays,
5pm - 9pm**

During these uncertain times, you may find yourself feeling anxious or stressed. The dedicated team of volunteer Counsellors in training, are able to offer you confidential and non-judgemental support.

Counselling offers opportunities to look at other ways to manage difficult situations.

For further information or to book, please email:

Counsellors@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Thinking of Returning to the Healthcare Profession?

The NHS are looking for healthcare professionals such as nurses or midwives that are now considering a return to the profession. Returning healthcare professionals have a key role to play in ensuring patients and service users have access to experienced and well-trained care staff equipped with the right skills. Health Education England provide funding to support the pathways to return, and are keen to support or answer any questions you may have if you are considering returning to perhaps nursing, midwifery, or if you trained as an Allied Health Professional (AHP) or a Healthcare Scientist (HCS) but have since left the profession.



If you would like further information please call 01865 932097 or email returntopractice.se@nhs.uk
