

CCGS Round-Up

Our CCGS Shakespeare Company is performing Macbeth!



Our performance at **The Gulbenkian Theatre in Canterbury** is fast approaching...7pm, Monday 18th November. Don't forget to purchase your tickets from The Gulbenkian box office: [Shakespeare School Festival 24, Monday 18 November 2024 7:00pm | Gulbenkian \(thegulbenkian.co.uk\)](#)

A reminder for the cast (and their lovely supportive parents/carers!)
Please remember ...

- **Wednesday 16th October - In School workshop over lunch and p5**, so please remember to bring in costumes and to meet at the start of **p4 for early lunch** at Chatham Site dining hall.
- Please attend all rehearsals, as we do not have many left!
- We are still rehearsing on the **Thurs 24th** (open evening) until 4.30, so please only volunteer to help on the Tuesday. If you are desperate to help out with open evening on Thursday too, make sure you bring along a packed dinner.

Year 11

A reminder to all Year 11 parents/carers to complete the "Parent/Carer Questionnaire – Year 11 (2024-25)" by 9:00am on Tuesday 15th October. The link was emailed out on Tuesday 8th October.

Equipment in Geography KS3, 4 and 5

It is really important that students have basic equipment for lessons. Teachers are commenting that too much time is being lost in lessons with some students losing time trying to source a simple pen or pencil. In addition, we often do have resources in the classroom to enable students to get on with the tasks, but they are not always respected, returned and looked after. This will mean that they will have to come out of classrooms leaving students without, adding to the negative impact on teaching and learning. Please support us by ensuring your student has an equipped pencil case. Persistent lack of equipment can result in a P6.

Year 11 Mock MFL Speaking Exams

Year 11 will all have a mock speaking exam as part of their mock exams in November and December. The exam will be conducted in the same way as the final GCSE exams will be. Students all have a set of general conversation questions that they need to learn for this exam. Parents can help by practising with students, even if they do not speak the language, as students need to practise saying their answers out loud to someone.

Miss Thelliez's classes, Mrs Walters's classes, Mrs Sotiri's Spanish class and those who are in Miss Griffith's double language class will all have their exams in the week of November 18th.

Mrs Sotiri's French class, Miss Motte's class Miss Griffith's class will have their exams in the week of December 9th.

Spain Trip 2025

If your child has a place on the Spain trip please make sure that you have taken note of the change of date for those students who are currently in Y10. The email was sent to parents and students on 27th September 2024.

French and Spanish vocab

As a languages department we highly recommend the use of Quizlet to help students learn their vocab. Many of the students who have achieved the top grades in languages at CCGS have been avid users of Quizlet for vocab learning since Y7 so it does work!

Quizlet is an app or a website, students can use either. Students can make an account for free and then should join the classes that we have created for their year groups, this means that they have unlimited free access to Quizlet and easy access to the sets that we have set up to help them learn their vocab each week.

To find the relevant class students can either follow the links that they were sent in September (they should just search Quizlet and Walters on their school account, and they will find the email) or they should search for CCGS Year 7 French 2024-2025 or CCGS Year 10 Spanish 2024-2025 . All classes are labelled in this way *CCGS (Year Group) (Language) 2024-2025*

P6 Reminder

We have recently had a number of students who have been asking staff to remove a P6 that they have incurred. Students have had a reminder this week about accepting the consequences of their actions so that each lesson can be a fresh start and behaviour/missing h/w etc can be quickly corrected. If your child receives a P6, please encourage them to take responsibility for their actions and not to see the correction as 'the end of the world'. The system is there so that when mistakes are inevitably made, students have a chance to rectify them and move forward.

Revision Guides English

As the Year 11 mocks are approaching, don't forget that revision guides are available to help your child revise their set texts for English. Below are the links to books that are useful for our exam board.

[Edexcel Conflict Poetry Anthology Revision Guide: Ideal for the 2025 and 2026 exams \(Collins GCSE Grade 9-1 SNAP Revision\): Amazon.co.uk: Collins GCSE: 9780008353063: Books](#)

[A Christmas Carol: Edexcel GCSE 9-1 English Literature Text Guide: Ideal for the 2025 and 2026 exams \(Collins GCSE Grade 9-1 SNAP Revision\): Amazon.co.uk: Collins GCSE: 9780008353056: Books](#)