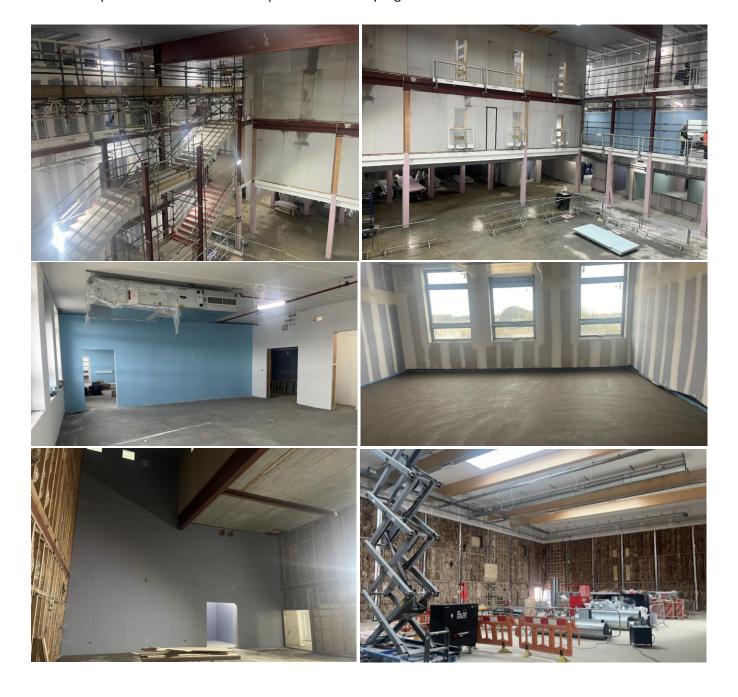


Dear Parents and Carers

The end of our first term has arrived and I am delighted with the start to the academic year made by our students. It has been a busy term which has been filled with a wide range of activities, including several fixtures, the start of the Year 8 CCF programme and the continuation of our Education with Character programme. Alongside this, students have approached their academic learning with great enthusiasm; Home Learning completion has exceeded 95% consistently over the past few weeks and our strong school attendance of last year has very much continued this term. Thank you to all parents and carers for your support in making the start of our second year such a success.

Build Update

Rapid progress continues to be made on the final site and preparations are now beginning for our move to the new building next summer. The below images show the current progress with the canteen, sports hall, activity studio and classroom spaces. We will share more updates about the progress of the build in the new term.



Sports Fixtures

Thank you to all families who have joined us to support our teams with fixtures, both home and away. For the majority of fixtures, it is possible for parents/carers to join us to spectate and support the teams. Below are the team photos and results from recent weeks' fixtures.







Tuesday 1st October (John Wallis) U13 Football vs Turner Free School 8-3 loss

Tuesday 1st October (Ashford Oaks) Year 7 Boys Football vs Towers 2-1 loss

Tuesday 8th October (away) U13 Girls Football vs Dane Court 3-1 loss

Wednesday 9th October (John Wallis) U13 Football vs Whitstable 0-8 loss

Thursday 10th October (home) Year 7 and Year 8 Netball vs Wye School Y7 score 17-10 loss, Y8 Score 8-10 loss

Tuesday 15th October Year 8 Ashford & Shepway Netball Tournament – 2nd out of 12 schools! 7 wins, 3 draws & 1 loss







Year 8 School Photographs

All students will have an official school photograph which can be purchased by parents in Years 7 and Year 9 or 10. We have received several requests for an additional photograph for Year 8. If you would like an additional photograph in Year 8, please let Ms Ingman know at harriet.ingman@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk.

Please note that for the photographer to visit the school, there will be a minimum number of students to be photographed. We will therefore let you know if we receive sufficient interest for an additional booking.

Upcoming Parents' Evenings and Reports

All students will be sitting mid-year assessments in late December and early January for the majority of subjects. The results from these will be shared with you via a report towards the end of January.

To give you a clear understanding of your child's progress, we will be hosting parents' evenings in February and March to discuss your child's progress and support their progress at home. Further arrangements will be released in due course. If you do have any concerns about your child's progress or if you have any queries in the meantime, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance

Homework Update

Homework has been set this week, as normal, on Monday 21st October. This will be due in on Monday 11th November.

We are very sorry for any issues you may have experienced with Seneca. We advise that all users check <u>here</u> that you are using the most up-to-date version of Seneca, and clear the browser's cache before trying to use the site again. This should resolve the issue. If you have any ongoing queries, please do let us know.

Term 2 - School Lunch

If you would like your child to have school lunches during Term 2, please confirm by emailing info@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk by Monday 4th November. The cost of school meals for Term 2 will be £83.16, payable via instalments on sQuid.

Extra-Curricular Activities - Changes

Due to light, extra-curricular <u>sports activities</u> will finish at **4.15** throughout Term 2. **There will be no extra-curricular activities after school on the 17**th **December or the 19**th **December** to allow for the school show.

Please also be aware that Couch to 5K will move from Ashford Oaks to Chilmington Green School from Term 2 onwards and Debate club will move to Thursdays from Term 2.

Swimming – Ashford School Extra-Curricular – Term 3&4

If you would like to express your interest in swimming lessons for your child as a Tuesday extra-curricular club for Terms 3 and 4, please email rebecca.wood@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk. This club for all abilities and is charged at a subsidised cost of £8 per lesson and paid on a termly basis which includes minibus transport from Chilmington Green School to Ashford School Pool for 10 lessons. Students will need to be collected/make their own way home at 4pm from Ashford School.

What is Good Attendance?

It is useful for you to know what attendance figures mean for your child. We encourage all parents and carers to use the Arbor app in order to monitor their child's attendance. Our minimum expected target for all students is 96%. All students whose attendance is below 90% are classified as Persistent Absentees and, depending upon personal circumstances, face possible referral to the Kent Attendance. Should you feel that you require a support with your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Kev Dates

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Date	Event
Wednesday 23 rd October	End of Term 1
Wednesday 6 th November	Start of Term 2
Thursday 12 th December	School Immunisation Team in school. Please refer to Newsletter 3 for
	details.
Friday 20 th December	End of Term. Students finish at 12.15
Tuesday 7 th January	Start of Term 3

I hope you have a restful half term and look forward to welcoming all students back in Term 2.

Kind regards

Jon Rutland Principal