

Dear Parents/Carers

The end of Term 3 marks the halfway point through the academic year; it has been a fantastic first half of the year with much to look forward to throughout terms 4, 5 and 6. Plans for our move to the permanent site continue to gather pace and the internal works will approach completion over the coming months.

The opportunities that students participate in beyond the classroom all form part of our commitment to provide education beyond the classroom; we call this our Education with Character programme. This programme primarily focuses on enriching our students' experiences and providing students with a broad range of opportunities; this includes guest speaker visits, educational trips, our extra-curricular clubs and residential experiences. These opportunities are aimed at building confidence and determination, helping students to grow in character and develop a sense of purpose.

As a school, we hold the values of **determination, respect, and ambition** at the core of everything we do. These values are integral to our positive culture, which is built around making positive choices, embracing new experiences, and fostering resilience, purpose, and strong morals in our students. These too form part of Education with Character

To further encourage and recognise our students' efforts, we have introduced termly rewards for those who consistently demonstrate our core values around the school. We believe that true character is shown when no one is watching, and we are committed to nurturing this in every student.

Our students should be proud of the considerable range of opportunities and activities that they have participated in this year, both inside and outside the classroom. As a new and growing school, we very much welcome feedback from families on how we can continue to develop and improve the opportunities available. Should you have anything you wish to share, please do so via our school mailbox: info@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk

Below you will find a snapshot several highlights of this academic year so far.



Rugby Tour 2026 – Paris

We are delighted to share with our families an exciting opportunity for students to attend a residential trip to Paris for three nights, half board, with the opportunity to tour the Stade de France, play rugby fixtures, sightsee in Paris, visit Disneyland Paris and much more. This trip is planned for May half term 2026 and letters are available from PE staff. This trip has a limited number of spaces available and names will be entered into a ballot for places.

Extra-Curricular Timings – Term 4

Throughout Term 4, many extra-curricular activities will revert back to a 16:30 finish. For activities at Ashford Oaks, these will finish at 16:40 (Rugby and Girls' Football). All Ashford School clubs continue as normal.

Should there be a valid reason for your child to miss their assigned after school activity, please could parents/carers inform the school office before midday on the day the club takes place.

NGRT

We would like to inform you that the NGRT (New Group Reading Test) assessments are scheduled to take place after half term. The NGRT is a standardised, adaptive assessment designed to measure reading skills against the national average. It includes tasks such as sentence completion and reading comprehension and typically takes 30-50 minutes to complete.

We conduct this test three times per year to track the progress of your child's reading ability and, where needed, we implement targeted interventions to support your child's reading development. These tests will be sat during English lessons throughout the coming term.

Parents' Evening Arrangements

All students have now received their mid-year academic reports and we look forward to meeting with you to discuss these next term. Parents' evenings for both Years 7 and 8 will be taking place throughout March. For full details, please refer to [Newsletter 10](#).

Term 4 - School Lunch

If your child has had school lunches throughout this term, this will continue throughout Term 4. If you like your child to either be added or removed from receiving school lunches, please confirm by emailing info@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk by Monday 24th February. The cost of school meals for Term 4 will be £76.50 (30 days @ £2.52 per day), payable via instalments on sQuid.

Key Dates

Date	Event	
Friday 14 th February	End of Term 3	
Monday 24 th February	Start of Term 4	
Wednesday 26 th February	Ski Trip 2025 Parent/Carer Information Talk 16.00pm-17.00pm	
Tuesday 4 th March	7 and 8 Red - Parents' Evening	<i>All extra-curricular clubs cancelled with the exception of activities at Ashford School. Unless attending Ashford School, students will be released at 3.30.</i>
Thursday 13 th March	7 and 8 Yellow - Parents' Evening	
Tuesday 18 th March	7 and 8 Green - Parents' Evening	
Thursday 27 th March	7 and 8 Blue - Parents' Evening	

I hope that all students and families have a restful half term and we look forward to welcoming you back after the break.

Kind regards

Jon Rutland
Principal