

### **Cox Green Newsletter**



#### Newsletter 22nd — 26th January 2024

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Our highly anticipated Careers Fair will take place next Thursday for Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and Sixth Form. Our students will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from the local businesses to learn more about future career and training opportunities. This week, Mrs Thompson also presented 'Careers in the Creative Industry', which provided the students with an insight into the arts, film and graphics industries.

PD sessions for all year groups took place on Wednesday. Year 7 and 8 discussed health, wellbeing and puberty, while Year 11 took part in sessions focused on Girls' Mental Health. Ahead of the Careers Fair, Year 9 discussed 'Wider World' careers and options, and Year 10 talked about the influence of gangs and the importance of role models. Sixth Form took part in a presentation and workshop focused on making Safer Choices which was kindly arranged by The University of Reading and the Garden Clinic.

Congratulations to Kiean Sullivan for his recent win at the Shennington Kart track. Kiean will be competing in the British Championship this year and we are all excited for his achievement and progress. Well done Kiean!

Wishing you a lovely weekend, Mr Edwards, Headteacher



22nd February 2024 Year 9 Parents Evening

15th March 2024 Year 9 Options Choices Deadline



#### **Recent Letters**

- Year 9 Options Letter
- Year 10 Parents' Evening
- **Careers Fair** ŏ
- **Early School Closure**

Weekly Calendar: Timetable - Week 1						
Monday 29th January 2024	<ul> <li>Assembly: Be Determined - House Assembly</li> <li>Year 10 Careers Appointments (all week)</li> </ul>					
Tuesday 30th January 2024	Paris Pre-Trip Information Talk					
Wednesday 31st January 2024	Year 9 Immunisations					
Thursday 1st February 2024	<ul> <li>Careers Fair (Year 7 - 10 and Year 12)</li> <li>Trip BFI Film Industry (Year 12 &amp; 13)</li> </ul>					
Friday 2nd February 2024	Year 10 Reports to Parents					



our fantastic students to talk about your business! It will

be a great opportunity to speak directly to students and

to provide information and advice about your

business, training provider or sector.

### **Careers Fair** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 9am—3pm





Join us at our second annual Careers Fair! Come and meet Cox Green Careers Fair 2024

Please contact Mrs Thompson for more information via email h.thompson@coxgreen.com or scan the QR code to find out more!





## Notices



Tickets for We Will Rock You will be available to purchase via sQuid from **Friday 26th January** 



Online Revision Workshop Monday 5th February 2024



We will be holding an Online Revision Workshop for parents and carers of Year 10 and 11 students. The workshop will be held 5.30pm - 6.30pm on Teams.

In this session we will cover key ways you can support your child with:

- \* Making the most of their revision time \*
   \* Being prepared for their exams \*
- \* Exploring a range of revision methods and resources\*

Further information and the invitation to the workshop will be shared via Edulink this week. For more information, please contact Mrs Morgan-Russell <u>c.morganrussell@coxgreen.com</u>





### FREE SEND INFORMATION SESSIONS

with the Information, Advice & Support (IAS) Service

# Preparing for adulthood with the PFA team

22nd February 9.30-11.30am

If your child or young person has an EHCP, what is the process for preparing for adulthood, what can you expect, what is the timeline, what is parental responsibility? what is LA responsibility, when do plans cease?

### Reflections on Emotionally Related Scool Avoidance (ERSA) with Educational Psychology service

**29th february 9.30-11.30am** A session with the ERSA Educational Psychologists as an informal session to talk about ERSA and an opportunity to ask questions.

#### **Drop in Coffee morning -** Farewell to Christine Doyle, IAS Adviser who is retiring

14th March 9.30-11.30am IAS Adviser Christine Doyle is retiring. Please come along to celebrate Christines' extensive career within the SEND sector and have a cup of tea with us and other parents. No need to book - just turn up.

#### CAMHS Learning Disability Team 18th April 9.30-11.30am

Come and learn about the CAMHS Learning Disability team, what do they do? How can they help? What services can they offer?

### Book your free place via : www.ias-rbwm.info/events

All sessions take place at Friends House, 14 West Street, Maidenhead SL6 1RL

### CGS Club Spotlight: UNITY

Become a student ambassador today by joining the Unity group. UNITY meets every Monday, Break 2. If you have any questions please send an email of interest to: unity@coxgreen.com or speak to Mrs Gullick.

Educate Yourself. Appreciate Others. Celebrate Everyone



# **Student News**

# Youth Speaks Maidenhead Rotary Competition



On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January, six of Cox Green School's debaters went to compete in some show debating, organised by the Maidenhead Rotary Club and hosted at Newlands School for Girls.

The event had schools put forward teams that consisted of a Chairperson, Proposer and Opposer. Therefore schools were actually not debating each other but rather debating themselves and demonstrating their logic skills, rebuttal and presentation skills. Cox Green chose to present debates on issues of vegetarianism and plea bargaining in the justice system. Other schools debated issues with AI and negotiating with terrorists.

It was an excellent public speaking opportunity in front of new audiences and one that our students enjoyed very much. We were very proud of their performance, poise and ability to keep to time which showed how polished they have become in the art of debating!



### Blood Brothers Trip

On Tuesday 16th January, Year 10 and Year 11 drama students were excited to visit the New Victoria Theatre to see Blood Brothers as part of their GCSE course.



#### Key Stage 4 Science

Key stage 4 students have been busy developing their practical skills this week. In Biology, students were tasked with making their own plant clones via vegetative propagation (cuttings), and our KS4 chemists were making their own aspirin as they explored the intricacies of chemical synthesis.



Do you have any items for our newsletter? If so, please email Ms Chate @ p.chate@coxgreen.com



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### **Eton College Debates**



Eton College debaters returned to continue their debating exchanges. The motion this week was "This House Believes the liberty of expression of music should be total." The debaters prepared as a whole group discussing issues such as "justified limitations" to free speech that tend to be contained in Human Rights legislation, hate speech and what the impact of this can be, why the development of ideas in a democratic society is dependent upon the unlimited exchange of ideas and how it is necessary for this to occur to prevent polarising in society or repression in society taking place. The debaters then faced off on a three vs four debate and it was decided that the affirmative won on content of argument but the negative won on weighing of argument. So a very close call in a fascinating debate hugely enjoyed by all participating.

# Sustainability Club Wednesdays Break 2 (B2)

Sustainability Club is a fairly new club to Cox Green and one that we hope will make a positive impact on our school community alongside our wider community. We are four year 13 students with a passion for creating positive changes within our school and local community. With the help of Miss Richardson, we were able to bring to life our vision of creating a club which makes a positive change within our school and community, a club which allows you to meet new people and make new friends. We hope that creating a club which both promotes and encourages sustainability, will allow for many positive changes to occur within our school and wider community.

We started Sustainability Club at the end of October last year with the aim of recycling crisp packets into blankets for local people in need. The process of making a blanket out of crisp packets includes collecting empty crisp packets, cutting them, washing them, drying them and then fusing them together to create the blanket. When ironed, the crisp packets are fused together, therefore forming the blanket. We have nearly finished our first blanket and are hoping to make more. Once completed, we will be donating the blankets to those in need.



Sustainability Club is currently running every Wednesday at Break 2 in B2 (the Sport's Academy block). Coming to Sustainability Club is a great way to meet like minded people, create new friends, advocate for positive change within our school and do your part for the planet. We hope to see some of you join us! Tasha, Agata, Annabella, James and Miss Richardson.



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### **Berkshire Schools Cross Country**

A huge congratulations to all of our students who participated in last weekend's Berkshire Schools Cross Country event at Newbury showground. The students involved showed outstanding determination throughout their races. Two of our wonderful students finished in 6th and 16th place in their age groups and now qualify for the next round which is the SE inter counties cross country championships.

A big well done to Toby Smith who just narrowly missed out on qualification for this event. An excellent effort from all our CGS Students!



As part of their PD session, our Year 11 students took to the Quad to photograph different emotions as part of Girls' Mental Health Day



# **Sports Results**

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition	Result
Monday 22nd January 2024	FOOTBALL	U16 Boys	Windsor Boys	Away	3.00pm	County Cup	L 1-3
	BASKET- BALL	U14 Boys	Luckley House	Away	3.45pm	League	W 41-25
Tuesday 23rd January 2024	FOOTBALL	U15 Girls	Furze Platt	HOME	3.30pm	League	L 1-2
	BADMIN- TON	U16 Girls	Windsor Girls	Away	3.45pm	Friendly	Cancelled
Wednesday 24th January 2024	FOOTBALL	U13 Girls	Altwood	Away	3.45pm	League	Postponed
	FOOTBALL	U12 Boys	Altwood	HOME	3.45pm	League	Postponed
	BASKET- BALL	U16 Boys	Maiden Erlegh	HOME	4.00pm	League	L 35-65

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition
Tuesday 30th January 2024	FOOTBALL	U13 Boys	Furze Platt	HOME	3.30pm	League
	FOOTBALL	U14 Boys	Willink	Away	2.30pm	County Cup
	FOOTBALL	U16 Girls	Windsor Girls	HOME	3.45pm	Friendly
Wednesday 31st January 2024	NETBALL	Year 7 Girls - A and B Teams	Various	Away	4.00pm	Furze Platt League
	FOOTBALL	U12 Boys	Piggott	HOME	3.45pm	League