

### **Cox Green Newsletter**



Newsletter 13th—17th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Sixth Form Open Evening yesterday. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces attend and to welcome our new prospective students and their families. Thank you to Mr Burrows, Mrs Basher and Mrs King for their organisation of the evening and a huge well done to our student ambassadors for their help. The Sixth Form applications for September 2024 are now open, and we would encourage you to submit your applications at your earliest. The closing date is Sunday 18th February 2024 and I hope to welcome you all to Cox Green School in the next Academic Year.

Our students have been taking part in Anti-Bullying Week. It has been inspiring to listen to the students share ideas and strategies of how to support one another and help cultivate a culture of kindness. From Monday, we will be opening 'The Retreat', which will be a calm, safe space for students who are having friendship issues to go at break time. The room will be looked after by our staff and Sixth Form students and will offer the opportunity to make friends, play games and have additional support. We were delighted to welcome our valued Trustees to the school to share in the Personal Development sessions and to meet our wonderful students to hear their important feedback.

Finally, good luck and best wishes to our Year 11 and Sixth Form students sitting their Mock Exams over the next few weeks.

Best Wishes, Mr Edwards, Headteacher



#### **Recent Letters**

- Year 13 BTEC Health and Social Care Trip
- Year 7 Reading Progress and CGS
   150 Challenge
- Year 8 CGS 150 Challenge
- Year 9 CGS 150 Challenge

### Weekly Calendar

November - Week 1 Timetable					
Monday 20th November	<ul> <li>Assembly: Be Respectful - Qummunity</li> <li>Mock Exam Week: Years 11, 12 and 13</li> <li>Assessment Week: Year 7</li> </ul>				
Tuesday 21st November	No events				
Wednesday 22nd November	Dispatch date for student Christmas cards				
Thursday 23rd November	No events				
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#### SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Apply for Sixth Form
September 2024 applications open
on Thursday 16th November

Click here: Cox Green School (applicaa.com)
Year 11 students—Please check your email for login details



# Celebrating Success Our Stars of the Week



#### Year 7

#### **Maia Chapman**

Nominated for her strong leadership skills shown while working on a group project in English yesterday.

#### Year 9

#### Millie Benaim

Nominated for excellent work in Spanish this week

#### Year 8

#### **Poppy Burrows and Ceyon Li**

Nominated for their kindness to a member of staff.

### **Lily Hill**

Nominated for having an exemplary book in English.

### **Dejuan Christian-Lees**

Nominated for excellent participation in Personal Development and form.

#### Year 10

Mr Aston and Miss Anderson would like to nominate and congratulate our

**Year 10 Well-Being Ambassadors** 

for their brilliant assembly during Anti-Bullying Week!

#### Year 11

#### **Jamie Peters**

Nominated for excellent work in English this week.

### **Sixth Form Stars**

#### Jenna Johns

Nominated for being proactive and positive during Science classes.

### **Inclusion Stars**

#### **Noah Crocombe**

Nominated for handling issues this week with resilience.



### **Anti-Bullying Week**



Anti-Bullying Week is a national, annual campaign that aims to unite schools in order to raise awareness and to combat and end bullying. This week, our students in all year groups, participated in various activities to learn more about the different types of bullying, the importance of emotional wellbeing and supporting their peers, as well as how to safely deal with bullying. Our Wellbeing Ambassadors delivered an engaging assembly on the importance of Men's Mental Health and the week finished on a high with the highly anticipated Odd Sock Day which celebrates individuality and encourages the students to take a stand against bullying.

In Personal Development sessions this week, Year 7 welcomed a guest speaker from the charity 'Stand Against Violence' and discussed inclusivity and diversity in friendship groups. Year 8 and Year 10 explored the topics of 'Consent' and healthy relationships. Year 9 considered what contributes to good communication in families and learned more about contraception. In the run up to their upcoming fortnight of Mock Examinations, Year 11 and Sixth Form focused on exam and interview prep as well as managing stress and anxiety.





## PTFA Bake Sale for Sean's Court Friday 24th November, 11am—11.30am

The PTFA are looking for volunteers to support with our fundraising bake sale for Sean's Court.

Your delicious bakes (or supermarket's finest!) or your

valuable time can help support our cause and make a difference.

If you would like to volunteer at the stall or can spare some treats for us to sell, please contact

Ms Chate (p.chate@coxgreen.com) for further details.

Please ensure donations of sweet treats do not contain nuts.



### **Student News**



### **Eton College Debates**

This week, debating began with a warm up set of exercises preparing to argue for and against a sugar tax. This motion has become increasingly important in debating, with the health effects that excessive sugar consumption can have on people. Preparation centred on the libertarian argument of freedom of choice versus the health arguments seeing government intervene to protect people's health and the NHS. The debaters then prepared another debate on the motion "This house would ban guns." This motion was argued as an international motion so that the situation of countries like the United States of America could also be considered. The debate took place in British Parliamentary style with two proposition teams and two opposition teams. Thanks to the research that debaters had previously conducted on the subject a thorough debate of the topic took place and the adjudicators were pleased with the standard of debate.

### **#Literacy Matters**



CGS 150 Challenge

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Each time you fill out a book review, hand it in to your English teacher you not only earn 20 achievement points, you also move one step closer to your next badge!

#READINGMATTERS

### **CGS 150 Reading Challenge**

The reading challenge has begun!
This week the English department have enjoyed reading the student book reviews and seeing the points start to add up.
Well done to the below students for being the first in school to earn their badge!

Reece Barker Ekamveer Chhokar Alexander Daley

Read	Level	Pin Badge	Points
5	1	Quartz	20
10	2	Topaz	40
15	3	Emerald	60
20	4	Amethyst	80
30	5	Sapphire	100
40	6	Jade	120
50	7	Ruby	140
60	8	Tiger's Eye	160
70	9	Obsidian	180
80	10	Sunstone	200
90	11	Opal	220
100	12	Bronze	240
120	13	Silver	260
140	14	Gold	280
150	15	Diamond	300

### **Reading Mentors**

In their third week of mentoring, our Year 10 guides reflected on their journey so far, and the progress of their Year 7 partners.

"I enjoy being able to help the students read especially when they find it quite difficult. It helps them when trying to improve, even if the difference is in the long term"

"I enjoyed helping the Year 7s with reading and teaching them different words. It helps teach them skills for the future and it is a great opportunity to help others while helping myself"





### **Notices**



### **Updates: Extra-Curricular Clubs**

**Year 11 Boys Football Training** 

Will commence every Monday from 20th November

**Year 11 Psychology intervention** 

Will be moving to Wednesdays from 20th November **Fitness Club** 

From 21st November, Fitness Club will be open for Years 7-9 on Week 1 & 2

#### **Badminton Sessions**

Please note there will be no Badminton sessions on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> or Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November due to the Mock Exams in the Sports Hall.



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PICKLES/CHUTNEY
LONG LIFE MILK
FESTIVE PICKLES
STUFFING & GRAVY
CHRISTMAS CAKE
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### **Badminton Tournaments:**

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year, Cox Green hosted Badminton Tournaments with teams from 5 other schools visiting to take part in the Year 9, 10 and 11 events. There were some very competitive matches and a high standard of play. The Year 10 Boys competition was especially close, with three teams finishing level on matches won and the winners being decided on the count-back rule!

#### **Star players for Cox Green:**

Year 9: Marcus Dunlop and Raf Moyle were undefeated as a doubles pair, winning all 4 of their games, whilst Amilee Bhargava won both her matches against Charters, partnering Alya in the doubles.

Year 11: Lauren Walker, Amber-Lily Saunders-Merryweather and Ione Parcell-Arregi won every game they played for a clean sweep vs St. Josephs. Callum Smith won both of his singles matches and Harrison Quelch won 4 matches he competed in.

We look forward to hosting the Year 7 and Year 8 tournaments in December!

#### **Badminton Tournament Results:**

	Winners - Boys	Cox Green - Boys	Winners - Girls	Cox Green - Girls
Year 9	Charters 'A'	3rd	St. Joseph's	3rd
Year 10	Windsor Boys	2nd	St. Joseph's	4th
Year 11	COX GREEN 'B'	1st and 2nd	COX GREEN	1st



### **Sports News**

### Results

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition	Result
Tuesday 14th	Football	U13 Boys	Little Heath	Away	2.30pm	National Cup	W 2-0
November	Football	U13 Girls	Trinity, Newbury	Home	4pm	National Cup	L 0-9

### **Fixtures**

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition
Monday 20th November	Basketball	U14 Boys	LVS	Away	4pm	League
Tuesday 21st November	Football	U15 Boys	Willink	Away	2.30pm	National Cup
Wednesday 22nd November	Netball	Year 7 Girls A & B Teams	Various	Away	4pm	Furze Platt League

### Fundraising Week!

Multiple activities are happening throughout next week where everything is 50p – Please remember to bring exact change! All money is going towards Sean's Court in memory of a student from Cox Green who sadly passed away last year.

- Tuesday Bar hang challenge (Fitness Suite)
- Wednesday Basketball shootout (Old Gym)
- Thursday Tombola (Outside Sixth Form, Break 1)
- Friday Cake Sale (Outside Sixth Form, Break 1)

