



Moving Up!

Student Welcome Booklet

September 2021



A very warm welcome....

We very much look forward to welcoming you into our community. Throughout our journey here at this school, which started 7 years ago, we have valued the core principles of this school; that everyone is kind to themselves and others and that everyone tries their best at all times.

As our journey ends, your journey is just beginning and we have left behind a variety of activities, such as our house activities, a few highlights include:

- ★ The Santa Dash (pictured below)
- ★ Food Share Project
- ★ Christmas Card Competition
- ★ Christmas Door Competition
- ★ Covid Time Capsule
- ★ Eagles Sports Mascot Competition
- ★ Easter egg hunts
- ★ Sport Competitions
- ★ And many more that include raising money for great charities!

You will all have the opportunity to become House Captains, School Council Reps and Sports Leaders, which provide a great opportunity to represent your voice in the school and to develop relationships with other years!

Throughout our time at Cox Green we have developed skills, knowledge and friendships that will stay with us for a very long time, while also really enjoying and appreciating our time here. The independence and trust you are given only grows as you go through the school, and when you eventually come to our position, you will look back fondly at the memories you have made here, as we do.

Throughout this booklet we have provided top tips from Amy Croker Year 7, and some tasks to help you prepare for moving into secondary school.

We hope you are excited to start your journey and you find it as rewarding as we did!

Best wishes,

India, Jess and Saketh

Year 13 Head Students



My First day at Cox Green School



My first day at Cox Green School...

...will be Thursday
2nd September 2021.

Lucy Hayward, Year 7,
has drawn her
experience of her first
day at Cox Green
School!

Equipment

Learning is much easier when you have the correct equipment for each lesson...

Although at first it will seem like you have a lot to bring to school, you will soon get in to a routine of what to pack on which days, using your timetable. It is important that you come prepared every day, even your first day.

The checklist below is a great way to keep track of the items you already have and the items that you still need to get.



Top tip
Make sure you pack
your bag the night
before

Equipment Checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cox Green School Planner | <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise Books | <input type="checkbox"/> Sharpener |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Home Learning | <input type="checkbox"/> Highlighter | <input type="checkbox"/> Glue Stick |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific calculator | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 pencils | <input type="checkbox"/> Eraser |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-ear earphones (wired) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 black pens & 1 green pen | <input type="checkbox"/> Scissors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maths Set: Protractor, Compass, Set Square, Ruler | | |

Mini Challenge

Have a go

How quickly can you pack your school bag? Email your result to:

joinus@coxgreen.com





Lunch Time!

We all know that lunch time is a part of the day you all really look forward to!

We have a wonderful facility called **DINE** where you can buy your lunch if you would like, or you can bring in a packed lunch. It really is up to you!



What different foods are there to buy in DINE?

There are lots of different options, from sandwiches, wraps and baguettes, to hot main meals such as roast dinner and noodles, salads, pizza, fruit and desserts plus drinks (AND MORE!) We cater for a range of dietary requirements.



How do I pay for my lunch in DINE?

In DINE we use an online system called sQuid for you to pay for your lunch. Your parent/carer will need to register you an account and pop some money on, and then you simply scan your fingerprint at the till to pay.



Mini Challenge

Have a go

Draw or make your favourite lunch menu. Submit your pictures to joinus@coxgreen.com



Top tip

The head of Year 7 will be there on the first day waiting for you and will be ready to answer any questions you may have

Draw your favourite lunch below or on a separate piece of paper or card. Be as creative as you like for example you can utilise materials from your kitchen or garden.



Rewards



At Cox Green School we like to reward students who

- ✓ Go above and beyond
- ✓ Show kindness to themselves and others
- ✓ Try their very best at all times



What are Positive Points?

At Cox Green School we believe in rewarding you for your hard work and excellence, both at school and within the wider community. When you do positive work, we will award you with Positive Points. The more you earn, the better the rewards!



We love to celebrate good news stories on our social media and newsletters. Ms Thomas also likes to hear about acts of kindness and achievements in the community, so don't forget to share your successes!



Mini Challenge

Have a go

Design a new medal that you would like to receive. Be as creative as you like. Your design can be made using any method e.g. created on the computer or created out of materials.

Submit your pictures to joinus@coxgreen.com.
A recent Year 9 student made a brain out of a cake! (picture below)



Top tip

Remember that not only working hard in lessons but having the correct uniform and equipment will also gain you positive points.

Uniform



Why is wearing a uniform at Cox Green School important?

We encourage students to take pride in our school. We want each and every one of you to look distinctive and smart and to be recognised as Cox Green students. Wearing our uniform is a great way to achieve this and shows your commitment and interaction with school life.

What colour coat should I wear?

Black or navy blue coats only please. These should be plain, in a single colour and a suitable style for school.



What is the PE kit like?

Our PE kit consists of a black & green polo shirt with school logo and plain black games shorts/skort. You can wear a black tracksuit with school logo and a black & white mid-layer track top if you like.



Think about what uniform you will need in September. There might be items that you are not used to wearing or haven't worn before that you will need to wear at secondary school.

What uniform do I need?

Mini Challenge - have a go

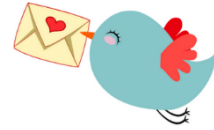
Make a list here about what uniform you think will be worn. If you are unsure you can have a look at our website for hints and clues.

Once you have made your list have a chat with your parent/carer about anything else you may have forgotten.



Picture to the right: Three of our students looking very smart and ready for the day ahead!

Questions...



Starting at secondary school can feel like a big change for you

It is likely that there are some things you might not be sure of, or you just want to find out some more information and that is brilliant! If you have any questions you would like to ask us, please ask your parent/carer to email us at joinus@coxgreen.com. You never know, you might ask something super important that someone else hasn't thought of.

Some final thoughts from Amy:

"There was loads of other people feeling the same so don't worry if it is only you feeling sad there will be loads of people feeling the same"

"On my first day of school I was really nervous but as it got closer to the end of the day I got calmer"

"Make the first day one of your best days of Year Seven!"

"Meeting your classmates and teacher are a challenge for most people. I was very scared if I did not know them very well"

"Making friends! Go and speak to a friend and go see if someone else needs a friend"

"Try your very best!"

"Just keep smiling and be kind"

"Listen to people around you"

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