



Cox Green Newsletter



Newsletter 12th—16th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been very positive, with a number of students receiving awards. Mr Aston hosted a ‘reward morning’ for Year 9 with cupcakes and a Christmas raffle, inviting students with exemplary behaviour this term. A number of students qualified for their Bronze Award which were awarded by their Heads of Year and Scarlett Hill in Year 8 will receive a Headteacher Community Award following an exceptional email from a member of the public about her empathy, conduct and behaviour in the community. Congratulations Scarlett!

Our Junior Student Leadership team met the team at Alexander Devine Children’s Hospice and we look forward to presenting them with the funds raised after the Non-Uniform Day next Friday.

Our annual “You’re Hired” event was a huge success and thanks go to all our volunteers from local commerce who gave up their time to assist with the practice interviews with Year 11.

Year 12 visited Royal Holloway this week for support and suggestions with their EPQ and the Year 11 Debating Team visited Eton College for a debating exchange in their amazing Debating Chamber! Students were also treated to a tour and a lovely lunch and we look forward to welcoming their students to Cox Green School in 2023 for a return fixture.

We invite all parents/carers to complete our online survey to help give feedback to the school and allow us to continue to develop the education we provide at Cox Green School <https://forms.office.com/r/pnfjwKhg65> This link will be open until Wednesday 14th December.

The forecast remains very cold again for next week, so please do ensure that students have a warm coat and are dressed appropriately for the weather. Please remember that hoodies of any type are not permitted but we do have a large number of preloved jumpers available if students require a school jumper under their blazer.

A reminder that school closes at 12.30pm on Friday 16th for the Christmas break.

Wishing you all a warm and happy weekend!

Mr Edwards, Headteacher

Recent Letters

- [Cox Green Community Centre - Christmas Events](#)
- [Parent Survey Letter](#)

Weekly Calendar Week 2 Timetable

Monday 12th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly: Be Kind and Be Respectful • Personal Development - P2
Tuesday 13th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Toolkit Online Workshop - Grief and Loss Workshop - 12pm - Link sent via Edulink • Year 7, 8 and 9 Flu Vaccinations • Year 9 and 10 Science in Action Trip
Wednesday 14th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Christmas Lunch • Christmas Jumper Day 
Thursday 15th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No events
Friday 16th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non - Uniform Day - please pay a £1 donation via sQuid. 

Flu Vaccinations—Years 7, 8 and 9

Please ensure you have completed the online form to give consent. [Flu Jabs Parental Consent Letter Link.](#)

Any queries please contact The School Aged Immunisation Team on 0300 365 0077





Celebrating Success Our Stars of the Week



Year 7

Jamie Gillard and Alya Sogut - for their contribution in the Winter Concert.



**Maddison Edwards
Charlotte Plant
Jaya Brar
Shreyas Wagle
Mia Burrows
Poppy Burrows**



- for their contributions to the school community through their participation in the Winter Concert and consistent kindness and respect shown to others.

Year 8

Asali Pandithage - for outstanding determination and progress in R.S – especially in the most recent assessment.

Charlotte Burton - for continued kindness and determination in everything she does.

Lena Sowa - for her contribution in the Winter Concert.

Year 10

Sharmaine Bevan - for constantly having good discussions during Health and Social Care.

Elizabeth Addison, Sahara Taylor and Jessica Brenjak - for consistently demonstrating the school values.

Joe McDonagh - for showing kindness to a peer who was injured.

Lesley-Anne van der Linden, Abbie Wood, Katie Lovegrove, Josh Wilson, Louise Nicholls, Sara Castagnacci, Lydia Plant, Mya Johns and Zoe Hopwood

- for their participation in the Winter Concert.

Year 9

Chiedze Chademunhu – for all round excellence!

Kuba Muszynski and Luca Ivaldi – for performing at the Winter Concert. Amazing!

Chester Stock and Adam Nouar - for their effort and participation in French lessons.

Lucy Butler - for excellent attitude to learning and for completing an amazing timeline on 'the development of addiction over time'.

Year 11



Sam Camplin, Nox Harman, Rose Ingram, Amy Bond and Adam Hodges
- for their participation in the Winter Concert.



Sixth Form Stars



Star of the Week

Gabrijela Jakus and Bianca Hesketh - for excellent revision habits in Philosophy.



Random Act of Kindness

Alfie Stone - for always closing the Sixth Form door ensuring Miss Langford-Thomas is kept warm!



If you have any items for the Newsletter then please email enquiries@coxgreen.com



Student News

Year 10 Netball



A big well done to the Year 10 Netball Team last week. This was by far their strongest set of games played this season. Although they lost to Windsor Girls, they had an excellent win against Furze Platt and drew with Holyport College. The standard of play has improved dramatically this season and this was reflected in this week's results.

The team nominated Tegan Thomson and Cameron Elston as players of the evening, which was well deserved after their reliable performance.

Miss Anderson



Winter Concert



Congratulations to all the students from Year 7 to Year 11 who performed at the Winter Concert last week. It was fabulously festive and a wonderful collaboration of musical talent across the school.

Thank you to Ms Killick and the team for the organisation and also to the new PTFA for serving the refreshments during the interval.



Debating Team



Eton College and CGS had been preparing for this debate celebration in the Eton College Debating Chamber by a series of Microsoft Teams debating exchanges that had taken place between the two schools over Term 1 and Term 2.

When the teams met on Monday 5th December at Eton College, students and staff hosted CGS beginning with lunch in one of the Houses, followed by a tour of the school and then prepared for two debates in the debating chamber.

The motions before the house were "that this house believes the wives of political leaders in third world countries should have political power along with their husbands" and "that this house believes football clubs should be responsible for the actions of their fans."

After much animated debating with sophisticated analysis by speakers and points of information from the opposing teams, CGS look forward to continuing this exchange in the New Year with a reciprocal visit after what was a very successful day, hugely enjoyed by all!

The CGS students were Diana Pascu, Jack Golding-Walker, Sophia Hussain, Selma Suleyman, Molly Nelson, Jasvin Brar, Amy Bond, Kamran Hussain and Taylor Brooks.





Student News

You're Hired' - Year 11

This week we were delighted to host our annual You're Hired event for Year 11 giving the students the opportunity to experience an interview with professionals from external companies. Thank you to our visitors who supported the event and enabled the students to practice interview techniques and discuss their CVs. This will stand them in good stead when they come to applying for Apprenticeships, College or Sixth Form.

Thank you to Mrs Thompson for all her hard work and to our visitors: Craig Harward, Noni Konig, Adam Harward, Jessica Way, Constantinos Franceskides, Laura Willes, Helen Dorrity, Safina Arif, Patrick Keatinge, Rabi Ali, Alison Eldridge, Claire Edwards, Damien O'Jeanson, Kuljinder Johal, Joanna Howard, Manisha Vithan and Rupi Gill who represented a range of companies including BMW, BP, Thames Valley Police and The Royal Society of Chemistry along with many more.

It was particularly good to welcome some parents of current students at Cox Green and welcome back a Cox Green Alumni student, Alison Eldridge!

Thank you all!



Wednesday 14th December 2022

All students are welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper over their normal school uniform.

Non Uniform Day

Friday 16th December 2022

If your child would like to participate, please pay £1 via your sQuid account.

sQuid will be open for donations until Friday 16th.



Please remember appropriate clothing only....

NO crop tops

NO short shorts or short skirts

NO baseball caps



Christmas Door Competition

All classroom doors should be decorated before the judging on Friday morning during Tutor Time.





Events

Christmas Cards Collection



Just a gentle reminder to all students who haven't yet collected their Christmas cards. Please pop down to the Art rooms during Break 1 or before school to pick up your cards, mugs, wrapping paper and tags before the end of term.



Parent Online Workshops

The next workshop is Tuesday 13th December 2022

Grief and Loss Workshop 12pm-1pm

Details to join the online seminar has been sent out via Edulink email.



Sport Fixture Results

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home/ AWAY	Time Start	Competition	Result
5th December	FOOTBALL	Y8 Boys	Dedworth Middle	HOME	4.00pm	County Cup	W 8-0
7th December	BASKETBALL	U16 Boys	Charters School	AWAY	3.45pm	League	L 17-61
8th December	NETBALL	U16 Girls	Van Dyke Upper School	HOME	3.15pm	National Cup	L 12-16

Upcoming Fixtures

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home/ AWAY	Time Start	Competition
12th	BASKETBALL	U16 Boys	Furze Platt	HOME	3.45pm	League
13th December	FOOTBALL	U12 Boys	Bohunt School	AWAY	3.45pm	5-a-side Tournament
14th December	NETBALL	Y8 Girls - B	Furze Platt Tournament	AWAY	4.00pm	Tournament
15-Dec-22	BASKETBALL	U13 Boys	Dedworth Middle (Host) & King's Academy	AWAY	3.30pm	Junior NBA

REMINDER

Reporting Student Absence

It is imperative that parents/carers contact the school **before 8am** if their child is unwell and unable to attend school, on each day of absence. Please either leave a message on the attendance line 01628 629415 or send an email to enquiries@coxgreen.com Alternatively, you can report this via Edulink One under **Absence Reporting**.

If we have not received a reason for absence, then a text will be sent to Priority Contact 1 asking for a reason for absence. You are able to text a reply using this service. Any absences that we have not received a reason for within a reasonable timeframe, will be followed up. The Attendance Officer will proceed to call all contacts that we hold on your child's record to ensure the welfare of your child. If we have not managed to make contact then members of staff will visit your home address.



Events & Notices

AGM
Tuesday 10th January 4pm

JOIN THE AGM HELD BY THE NEW PTFA

Join in person or online via TEAMS for our first hybrid AGM to plan events and activities to enrich the school experience for every pupil and fundraise for projects.

RSVP via the link <https://forms.office.com/r/evLSxWyWkm>

Church of the Good Shepherd Cox Green Community Centre

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 18 December 6pm
CAROL SERVICE

A service of carols and readings
In person and via Zoom

Christmas Eve – Saturday 24 December 4pm
CRIB SERVICE

Especially suitable for children of all ages. Children are invited to dress up as an angel or a shepherd if they would like to.

MIDNIGHT EUCHARIST 11.15pm
In person and via Zoom.

Christmas Day – Sunday 25 December 10am
ALL AGE FESTIVAL COMMUNION

With carols - suitable for all ages.
Children are welcome to bring along a present to show us.
In person and via Zoom.

Do check nearer the time for any changes - visit the Seasonal Services page under the Worship tab on our website or visit us on Facebook
www.chogs.org.uk [goodshepherd.coxgreen](https://www.facebook.com/goodshepherd.coxgreen)

VIOLIN LESSONS

I am starting new lessons for violinists next term, so if your child would like to learn, this is their opportunity.

All information and prices are on the Berkshire Maestros website – www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk

Alternatively, you can contact myself at Clairelarkin@berkshiremaestros.org.uk if you need more information.

If you would like your child to learn, please register online to put the wheels in motion.

Learning an instrument has numerous educational benefits along with the necessary discipline involved. It is also a source of great joy to be able to play both alone and with other musicians, and a skill that lasts a lifetime.

If your child would like to take this opportunity, please apply as soon as possible.

Kindest regards

Claire Larkin

Violin teacher – Berkshire Maestros



STREP A / SCARLET FEVER

You may be aware of the recent media coverage surrounding an increase in case amongst children of Strep A, which in a few cases has sadly been fatal due to bloodstream infection. Although this is a common bacteria, in its mildest form causing a sore throat, it can lead to Scarlet Fever, which is highly infectious and parents should be alert to recognising signs and symptoms to avoid its spread.

Awareness of these isolated cases of a more serious nature, naturally cause concern amongst parents/ carers and we would like to pass on the information below which has been offered to schools on the prevention of its spread in the school community.



ADVICE FOR PARENTS FROM NHS FRIMLEY

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you because we know parents and carers are worried about the national outbreaks of Scarlet Fever, caused by a Group A streptococcus, a bacterial infection.

If your child has a sore throat, fever, runny nose, headache, or rash, please visit the NHS Frimley Healthier Together, before calling your GP or attending A&E, to find;

Symptoms of Scarlet Fever and NHS traffic light guidance to help you identify next steps to take including when to seek medical help and where from

[Scarlet Fever \(Group A Strep\) :: Frimley HealthierTogether \(frimley-healthiertgether.nhs.uk\)](http://Frimley-HealthierTogether(frimley-healthiertgether.nhs.uk)

www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/



Local advice and support to help manage and improve the health and wellbeing of babies, children, and young people

ASCOT | BRACKNELL | FARNHAM | MAIDENHEAD | NORTH EAST HAMPSHIRE | SLOUGH | SURREY HEATH | WINDSOR



Frimley Health and Care

