Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to announce that the tickets for our school production of *Grease!* are now on sale! Tickets can be purchased via sQuid and we would encourage you to book your tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. The PTFA will be providing a selection of refreshments on both nights - cash and card payments welcome. If you would like to volunteer to join the PTFA to help run the refreshment stall, please email the PTFA Chair via PTFA@coxgreen.com to sign up!



Congratulations to Jessica Smith who recently completed the KC Classroom's Cook at Home Course for the skills section for her DofE Bronze Award. This is an online course where the participants receive full access to easy-to-prepare recipes and learn to cook nutritious food from scratch. We were thrilled to receive such positive feedback for her hard work and initiative demonstrated throughout the course.



Weekly Calendar:

I would like to draw your attention to the recent letter, to Year 9 parents, regarding the Options Subject Taster Day due to take place on Thursday 13th March. This is always an enjoyable afternoon where the students are able to trial their potential subjects before making a fully informed decision on their Key Stage 4 option choices. We would like to provide advance notice of this day to all parents as the school will be closing at the earlier time of 12.30 pm for all year groups, with the exception of Year 9 students who will remain on site until 3pm. Apple Coaches will operate two collection times on this day to accommodate this schedule; the first collection at 12.30pm for students in Years 7, 8, 10, 11 and Sixth Form, and then buses will return at 3pm to collect students in Year 9. If you are unable to make arrangements for your child to be collected at 12.30pm, please advise us as soon as possible by

RECENT LETTERS:

- Year 11 Mock Exams Letter
- Year 9 Parents' Evening February 2025

emailing enquiries@coxgreen.com before Friday 14th February.

Best wishes, Mr Edwards, Headteacher

Timetable Week 2	Monday 3rd February 2025	• Coffee and cake @ Sixth Form (Year 11 only)			
	Tuesday 4th February 2025	• None			
	Wednesday 5th February 2025	• None			
	Thursday 6th February 2025	 Careers Fair Year 10 Parents Evening Personal Development (Period 1) 			
	Friday 7th February 2025	• None			



Upcoming Dates Term Three

Wednesday 12th February 2025 School Production 'Grease!'

Thursday 13th February 2025 School Production 'Grease!'

Friday 14th February 2025 Last day of term - school closes at 3pm

Please note the school will be closed from Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February. The school will re-open for all year groups on Monday 24th February.



Assemblies this week: Be Respectful Holocaust Memorial Day

This week, the assemblies were presented by Mr Furkins to commemorate the Holocaust Memorial Day on Monday 27th January. This year is particularly poignant, as 2025 marks 80 years since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. In the assembly, Mr Furkins shared with the students the life story and testimony of Susan Pollack MBE, who was sent to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1944. Earlier this week, GCSE and A-Level History students visited Auschwitz and Krakow.Their trip included guided tours of Auschwitz and Birkenau, Schindler's Factory, the Wieliczka Salt Mines, Kazimierz (Jewish area) and Krakow old town.



House Points:





Apply for the Solicitor Apprenticeship programme

Are you in Year 13 and considering a career in law? Open Evening: Monday 10 February @ 5.30pm

Osborne Clarke are looking for Solicitor Apprentices to join in Reading in September 2025. Solicitor Apprenticeships offer the opportunity to study an undergraduate law degree and train as a solicitor whilst earning a salary, without the cost associated with going to university.

Deadline: 14 March 2025, 5pm

Additional information can be found online at https://www.osborneclarke.com/solicitorapprenticeship/



World Book Day will be celebrated at Cox Green School on Friday 7th March 2025!

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All Year 7 students are invited to dress as their favourite book character on this day. There will be lots of prizes to be won so be as inventive as you can!

No football kits, and any students not taking part must be in full school uniform.

Ahead of our upcoming World Book Day (details below left!), Year7 enjoyed drawing posters to showcase their favourite books withMiss Burke. We have included some of our favourites below:





#Literacy Matters

On Tuesday, the students took part in 'Drop Everything And Read'. This is a regular addition to the literacy curriculum at Cox Green School, encouraging the students to take part in further reading and explore texts to challenge their subject knowledge.







We are currently looking for parent volunteers to help staff the refreshment stall at the upcoming school production. To sign up to help out or for any PTFA enquiries, please email the Chair via PTFA@coxgreen.com

COX GREEN SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS



Fitness Club 3pm - 4pm, Mondays **All Years Welcome**

Mr Wingate

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Fitness Club is held every Monday after school in the gym with Mr Wingate.

The students are shown how to safely use the gym equipment and have the opportunity to try the different machines and activities to improve their fitness levels.





All years and levels of experience are welcome to join in the supervised sessions.

Please encourage your child to see Mr Wingate if they would like to take part!

UKMT Maths Challenge Wednesday 29th January 2025



Selected students from Years 9, 10 and Year 11 were invited to take part in the UKMT Maths Challenge on Wednesday. This is a challenge which enables the students to use creative and out of the box approaches to solving mathematical problems. Every student that takes part will receive a certificate to showcase their score and by taking part, they have the opportunity to qualify for future rounds of the challenge. The certificate can be added to the students' CVs to evidence their problem solving abilities. The students were given one hour to attempt the paper which contained 25 multiple choice answers. In their Maths lessons in the run up to the challenge, the students were given the opportunity to try previous papers in order to prepare. We were delighted to see over 200 students take part this year and look forward to hosting future challenges. Well done to all the participants today!

Debating Club visit to Eton College

On Monday, Eton College debaters extended their generous hospitality to Cox Green School by taking the students on a tour of the Eton College Chapel, original school room from 1440, the Founder's statue of Henry the VI, and the Museum of Ancient Antiquities. Students enjoyed lunch in the Eton College Canteen and later took part in a British Parliamentary style debate on the motion "This house believes that there should be a two-child policy internationally". In a close run contest the adjudicator ultimately awarded the debate to the Opposition team who were deserved winners for not only the strength of their arguments, but the fact that a number of significant points went unchallenged by Proposition. We look forward to resuming the debates next week at Cox Green School.



COX GREEN SCHOOL WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Stars of the Week

Jonny Atallah Nominated for excellent behaviour this week.

Oscar Bevan Awarded the Quartz Reading Certificate.

> Ian Kim Awarded the Quartz Emerald and Topaz Reading Certificate.

Oliver King

For consistently making an excellent contribution to tutor time. Well done!

Jessica Floyd, Harshahib Gill and Zak Shah Nominated for excellent Geography homework submitted this week. Well done!



Stars of the Week Layla Stock and Sofia D'Orazio Nominated for volunteering to answer spoken questions in French lesson.

Poppy Sherington

Nominated for attempting the challenge in today's lesson - forming a spoken comparative sentence in French in front of the class!

Junior Moran

Nominated for consistently fantastic effort in French lessons and for being a kind & respectful member of the class.

Alexis Healey

Nominated for demonstrating a fantastic attitude to learning in French lesson!

All students in Mrs Patterson's French class (8G/Fr3 - Period 5, Wednesday) Nominated for their enthusiastic and determined participation in the whiteboard translation challenge! Year 7 celebrated their house assembly last Friday and competed in a series of challenges to earn achievement points! In Science, Year 7 practised working with ammeters and watched a practical demonstration of the Van de Graaff generator with Mr Hogan.





Year 7



In Mr Chinyangarara's lesson, the Year 8 students enjoyed a relaxed Friday afternoon and started to paint their robots. In French this week, the students had fun in an enthusiastic whiteboard challenge, competing with each other to be the fastest translator! The students worked extremely hard and collectively, the class earned 'Stars of the Week' for their determination! Well done all! In their PE lesson with Mr Wingate, the students competed in an orienteering task - Congratulations to Team Blue who were the winners!



Year 8





COX GREEN SCHOOL WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Year 9 Stars of the Week

Kaja Wocial Nominated for her excellent work in Music this week with the Rap Project. Well done!

Georgia Leroy and Liam Ford Nominated for their excellent achievement in the Gold Reading Assessment.

Alya Sogut, Oliver Rutter, and James Campling Nominated for their excellent achievement in the Silver Reading Assessment.

Chloe Sloane and Bethan Gardhouse Nominated for their excellent achievement in the Bronze Reading Assessment.



Year 9 continued their work in the 'Cake Decorating' project, and Mrs Williams and the Food Technology Department have been very impressed with the students' entries! The students have chosen their own toppings and practised working with buttercream or fondant icing.







Year 9







Stars of the Week Millie Blanchard and Adam Partridge Nominated for their great understanding of how different time frames are expressed in French.

Cairon Cam

Nominated for completing the 'Do Now' task the fastest in the class and maintaining great focus. Well done!

Kyan Bunger, Treasure Carter, Thomas Croucher, Lewis Harper, Ed Holland, Thomas Moule and Ollie Quelch Nominated for great contributions in class. Well done!

Charlie Lawrence Nominated for being helpful to a member of staff.



Year 10 had an exciting week of Science practical lessons! In Mrs Steele's lesson, the students continued their work learning about electricity in the home, and

practised making electrical circuits. We were very impressed with the speed and efficiency that the students put the circuits together! In Chemistry, the students studied chemical calculations, and in Mr Thompson's class watched a practical demonstration of a thermite displacement reaction. The students then split into groups to create their own displacement reactions with copper wire and silver nitrate. Well done all involved!





Year 10



COX GREEN SCHOOL WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Stars of the Week

Chiedza Chademunhu, Abbilee Chandler, Gabriel Chis, Macey Florez, Connie Groom, Deavon Hart, Lucy Hayward, Kavya Johri, Callum Keoghan, Oscar Macionczyk, Noemi Mistur, Isla Moore, Alvaro Perez Tielve, Jessica Porter, Matthew Preston, Casey Sparks, Jenson Weaver, Maggie White and Ahtishaam Zaheer Nominated for excellent work in Science this week and completing the practical to an high standard.

Kristian Metaj Nominated for being kind and courteous.

Alicia McLeod, George Norris and Joshua White Nominated for exceptional work ethic in class this week.



The Sixth Form team would like to invite all Year 11 parents and carers to join for a 'Coffee and Cake' afternoon on Monday 3rd Feb

Year 11

afternoon on Monday 3rd February. This is an opportunity to discuss any questions

about Sixth Form, the application process, or your child's future plans. On

Tuesday, Students from Year 11 - 13 attended the screening of *Nicky's Family* at Norden Farm to commemorate the Holocaust memorial day. This is the remarkable true story of Maidenhead resident Sir Nicholas Winton, who rescued over 600 Jewish children at the outbreak of World War II. After the film screening, the students wrote messages of hope and personal pledges on leaves which joined together to form a 'Tree of Hope' and

tribute for the memorial.









Stars of the Week

Manroop Bhamra

Nominated for offering to help in a Year 7 practical lesson for Design Technology. Manroop made a huge difference to the success of the lesson, assisting students with gluing, drilling, health and safety, the use of tools and equipment, maintaining a positive classroom environment and promoting successful results and good progress of those present.

Ezekielle Mondok and Jack Golding-Walker Nominated for their assistance with the Year 7 basketball tournament - both students stayed to help until 5.30pm and their help was invaluable.

Ibrahim Faqraz

Nominated for giving up his time to support with photography needed for the school newsletter.

Year 13 the con in Med able to of prod were an Most ap prefere original would I (BSC) fo

Year 13 were introduced to the concept of postmodernism in Media. Students were able to eat and drink a variety of products to see how real they

Sixth Form

were and which version of reality they preferred. Most agreed that the chocolate orange was their preference, but the orange juice was closer to the original reality of the orange! The Science team would like to thank the <u>Royal Society of Chemistry</u> (RSC) for their generous grant which provided new equipment for our A-Level Chemists. The students used the equipment to carry out an organic chemistry technique called reflux in order to oxidise ethanol,

and isolate the products ethanal and ethanoic acid.





Results

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition	Result
Monday 27th January 2025	Basketball	Y7	Cross Court tournament	HOME	16.00	Friendly	A team - W 2, D 1, L 1 B Team W 2 L 2
	Football	U15 Girls	St. Bernards	AWAY	15.45	County Cup	Conceded
Wednesday 29th January 2025	Football	U13 Boys	King's Binfield	HOME	15.45	League	L 1-3

Sports Fixtures

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition				
Saturday 1st February 2025	County Cross Country Championships - Newbury									
Monday 3rd February	Basketball	U16 Boys	Forest	HOME	15.45	League				
2025	Football	U14 Girls	LVS	AWAY	16.00	League				
Tuesday 4th February 2025	Football	U12 Boys	Piggott	HOME	15.45	League				
Wednesday 5th February	Basketball	U19 Boys	Oratory	HOME	15.15	League				
2025	Football	U15 Boys	Desborough	HOME	15.30	League				