

# **Cox Green Newsletter**



Newsletter 14th - 18th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to update you on behalf of our caterers that, following the communication advising of the potential peanut contamination of foods containing mustard, they are satisfied that on investigation, none of their products had been affected by this notice. If your child has an allergy or any concerns, please do encourage them to speak to our catering staff if they have any questions.

We request that parents and carers park legally, safely and considerately at all times during school pick up and drop off. This includes considering the space left between residents' driveways and being aware of the road signs for everyone's wellbeing and safety. We also request that parents and carers take care not to park on the grass verges as this risks damage to local residents' property, and to not park in disabled bays without a Blue Badge.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on Thursday 14th November and we would like to invite all our Year 11 students and their families to attend. There is no need to register, and please feel welcome to share this date with your communities.

As we approach our Half Term Holiday, I would just like to remind everyone that the school will be closed to students and staff on the Well-being Days on Friday 25th October and Monday 4th November. The school will close for Half Term at 3pm on Thursday 24th October and re-open for all year groups on Tuesday 5th November.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Mr Edwards, Headteacher.

#### **Recent Letters:**

- Year 7 Welcome
   Presentation
- Reminder of School Policies
- Holocaust Memorial Day Trip
- Safeguarding Conference
- Trustees' Welcome Letters

Weekly Calendar: Timetable Week 2	
Monday 21st October 2024	<ul> <li>Assembly: Be Determined—What is Sixth Form?</li> <li>Personal Development—Period 3</li> <li>Safeguarding Conference (Parents and Carers only)</li> </ul>
Tuesday 22nd October 2024	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale: 2pm—3:30pm in Reception.
Wednesday 23rd October 2024	• None
Thursday 24th October 2024	End of Term - School closes at 3pm.
Friday 25th October 2024	Well-being Day (School closed to staff and students)



**Notice of Road Closure:** 

Access to Holyport Road from the A308 will be closed for seven weeks from Monday 11th October 2024.



# Celebrating Success Our Stars of the Week





#### Year 7



#### **Oscar Bevan**

Nominated for his kindness.

#### **Keira Cook and Bonnie Batchelor**

Nominated for their help in Food Technology.

#### **Jack Strawson**

Nominated by Miss Cheeseman for being determined.

#### **Florence Bullivant**

Nominated for excellent effort and focus in last week's texture drawing lesson. Well done!

#### **Emelia Mullenger and Thomas Golding**

Nominated for producing fantastic work in the texture.



## Year 9



#### **Steven Gillen**

Nominated for effort and commitment in English.

#### Rayyan Pazir

Nominated for being helpful and respectful.

# Wariyam Sekhon, Timothy Chan, Dexter Manley, Tia Maan, Bethan Gardhouse and Liam Ford

Nominated for imaginative and creative work in Art this week. Well done! Please see more about the student's work on page 5!

#### **Oliver Lovell and Eshaal Razwan**

Nominated by Ms Chate for their kindness.



#### Sixth Form



#### **Rutendo Mateko**

Nominated for excellent practical work in Science.

### **Milly Rogers**

Nominated for showing great determination and tenacity with tricky essay plans.



#### Year 8



#### **Jamar Suleyman and Frank Earl**

Nominated for their excellent effort in Geography. Well done!

#### Olivia Macionczyk

Nominated for submitting a brilliant piece of homework in Geography.

#### **Rocco Shymansky**

Nominated for upholding the school values.

#### **Cora Taylor and Layla Stock**

Nominated for excellent work in Art.

#### Leo Wilga

Nominated for thoughtful and insightful comments during discussions in English.

#### **Eve Fuller**

Nominated for excellent engagement and commitment in Science lessons and also being a great role model to others.

## **Nikhilesh Shrinivasa**

Nominated for offering to help with handing out equipment and resources during form time.

#### Liam Bankhead

Nominated for a fantastic week of positive praise. Keep up the great work!



## Year 10



#### **Amilee Bhargava**

Nominated for her efforts with the recycling week assembly!



#### Year 11



#### Joe Palmer

Nominated for effort and commitment in English.



# **Reminder for Reporting Student Absence**

It is imperative that parents and carers contact the school by 8.00am if their child is unwell and unable to attend school, on each day of absence. This also involves lateness to school. Please leave a message on the attendance line 01628 629415 or send an email to enquiries@coxgreen.com.

For any absences that we have not received a reason for within a reasonable timeframe, the Attendance Officer will proceed to call all contacts that we hold on the child's record. For safeguarding purposes, if we have not managed to make contact, then a member of staff will visit home to ensure the welfare of the child.

# Unexcused Absences (recorded as unauthorised absence on your child's record):

Oversleeping (for example due to alarm failure)

Arriving to school more than 10 minutes after the bell without an acceptable reason Leaving school earlier than 10 minutes before the bell without an acceptable reason Personal grooming appointments (for example, a hair appointment)

Shopping or similar personal errands
Needed at home (for example, babysitting)
Car trouble

Missing the bus, train or other mode of transport to school Needing to sleep or to rest



# Remembrance Service Friday 8th November

We will be holding our Remembrance Service on Friday 8th November 2024. Poppies will be available for students to purchase from next week. Cash and online payments via sQuid will be accepted.

Please find the timings for the service below. Students will be expected to be in full uniform with their blazer and ties.

10.50am: Bell will go and student assemble around Quad 10.55am -11.00am: Reading and the last post will play 11:00am: 2 Minutes Silence



AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ITEMS OF 800D, USED CONDITION SCHOOL UNIFORM

INCLUDING BLAZERS, SHIFTS, SKIFTS, TROUSERS, PE Tracksuits and coats.

CASH DONATION ONLY.



# **Eton Debating Club**

This week, the students divided into three classrooms to consider the motion "This House would force everyone to use public healthcare and education." Eton students worked with Cox Green students to develop their arguments further, before three debates were held involving all sixteen of the Cox Green students (two 3 vs 3 debates, and a 2 vs 2 debate), thus reflecting World Debating style and British Parliamentary style respectively.

Arguments included freedom of choice, resource distribution, standardisation of care and equal opportunity. It was excellent to see seasoned debaters develop their skills further, and novice debaters speak so confidently and in such a robust way, asking and answering points of information. The Eton debaters return to Cox Green school after Half Term holiday.





This year, our school play is the well-known musical 'Grease'! The Music and Drama Departments chose this musical because it's a theatrical piece that is relatable for teenagers. It is a fun, vibrant and comical musical, where the students will build confidence in themselves. The musical includes vintage rock n' roll and blues tunes, as well as enticing the audience with its vibrant setting of the fifties! The play was chosen due to its versatility with our own school musical equipment, and the well-known songs allow for some karaoke and audience participation from the film enthusiasts. The school production will showcase a broad aspect of talents to be displayed, providing inclusivity to all year groups with different capabilities for acting and singing. There are many opportunities for the students to get involved, including being part of the backstage crew including lighting and sound technicians. Grease will be sure to bring out the child in all of us and we are all excited and looking forward to the production in the New Year!

Article written by student reporters, Anela, Angel and Angela (Sixth Form)



# **Student News**

### **U14 Boys Basketball**

The U14 team played their first League game of the season and had a resounding 57-15 victory over Furze Platt. Three of the players were Year 7's, playing their first game for the school and they all acquitted themselves well. There was some good play and excellent teamwork displayed throughout the game.

Well done to the team and we're looking forward to their future matches!

## **Art Department: Christmas Cards**

Thank you to all the students who entered the Cox Green Christmas Card Competition, there were almost 600 entries! Every student who submitted a Christmas card by the deadline now has the opportunity to order their designs from www.apfsorders.co.uk.

All Christmas card designs will be given back to students in Art lessons next week, as students will need the QR code on the back of their designs to order their cards. The online shop is now open, and all orders must be placed by midnight on Friday 8th of November.

The estimated dispatch date of cards to school, ready for students to collect, is 22nd November. The Art Department will aim to distribute these in Art lessons, however, should you wish to collect your cards sooner please come to the Art studios during break 1 or afterschool.

Winners will be announced in December!



#### Year 9 Stars of the Week

Please see above for some of the amazing artwork based on mythological creatures and watercolour studies, submitted by our Year 9 Stars of the Week for Art.

# **Sustainability Club Assembly**



Sustainability Club meets every Monday at Break 2 in Fifield 3



As part of National Recycling Week, our ambassadors from Sustainability Club with Miss Richardson presented in the assemblies this week to show the impact and importance of recycling. The students learned that paper and cardboard were the most recycled materials in 2017 at 79%, followed by metal at 71.3% and glass at 67.6%, but there are still many ways to get involved and help save the environment.

Here are some of the suggestions from our student ambassadors:

Reduce, reuse, and recycle: Cut down on what you throw away and conserve natural resources and landfill space.

Conserve water: Use less and fix leaks.

**Sustainable Choices:** Choose sustainable products and services that have less impact on the environment.

**Try to avoid plastic:** For example, switch to reusable shopping bags. **Save Energy:** Unplug phone and laptop chargers when not in use.



# Restart a Heart - Wednesday 16th October



#RestartAHeart

Learn CPR, act fast, save lives

Restart A Heart 2024

On Wednesday, we welcomed a representative from St John Ambulance Service to our Sixth Form Centre, to take part in the national campaign 'Restart a Heart'. The paramedic taught the Sixth Form students the importance of defibrillators and the role they play during cardiac arrest. The students were given a chance to practice CPR on dummies to learn life saving first aid, and we used our mobile phones as practice defibrillators. After studying the course, we believe that this is an important life skill to have because cardiac

arrests or heart attacks can happen to anyone, anywhere. For more information about the campaign 'Restart a Heart', please visit their website

here: Restart a Heart | Resuscitation Council UK

Article written by student reporters, Elizabeth and Avneet (Sixth Form)



"I believe I was given a great opportunity to learn CPR as now I can always help those in need of it!" Student Reporter, Elizabeth (Year 12)



"I am very grateful for this opportunity that the school has offered because I think it is very important that everyone has the life skill of being able to perform CPR on anyone. Learning the lesson today really made me realise the importance of using defibrillators during cardiac arrest."

Student Reporter, Avneet (Year 13)

## **Year 8 Football**



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Last Friday, the Year 8 football team played a home fixture against local rivals Holyport College. We made a blistering start and were five nil ahead after 10 minutes.

We continued to dominate throughout and ended up 12-0 winners. The team played outstandingly throughout the entire fixture with special mention going to Sonny, who dominated the centre of the park, and Frank who netted five times.