



Cox Green Newsletter



Newsletter 27th November - 1st December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Cox Green School! Our Christmas tree has been installed in our reception and thank you to our student helpers Jaiden, Josie and Elsie for decorating it so beautifully! As we enter into our final weeks of term, we look forward to our highly anticipated Christmas Doors decorating competition, Christmas lunches and of course, Christmas jumper day! We are still welcoming donations for the FoodShares 'Wishmas' List. If you would like to make a donation, we would just ask that it is brought to school before the closing date of Thursday 7th December.

I am delighted to share with you that we managed to raise over £300 for Sean's Court as part of our Fundraising Week. It was wonderful to see the Cox Green community come together and raise such an impressive amount. Thank you to all parents and carers for supporting this event and we hope that the students enjoyed taking part.

Finally, we would like to congratulate Year 11 and Year 13 students for completing their Mock Exams this week. We hope you all have a lovely restful weekend after all your hard work - Well done!

Best wishes,
Mr Edwards, Headteacher



Please note that the school office will be closed from 12.30pm on Friday 15th December 2023. School re-opens for all year groups on Wednesday 3rd January at 8.30am.

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 13th December:

Christmas Lunch (Year 7 & 8)

Thursday 14th December:

Christmas Lunch (Year 9, 10, 11 & Sixth Form)

Friday 15th December:

Non Uniform Day

Recent Letters

- Attendance Letter to Whole School
- Attendance Letter to Sixth Form

Weekly Calendar

December - Week 1 Timetable

Monday 4th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Assembly: Be Respectful • Chemistry in Action Trip (Year 12 & Year 13) • Debating Club at Eton College (Years 10, 11 & 13)
Tuesday 5th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auschwitz Trip: Pre-Trip Information Meeting 6pm
Wednesday 6th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal Holloway University Trip (Year 12)
Thursday 7th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You're Hired! (Year 11)
Friday 8th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSET Day (School closed)



Careers Fair

Thursday 1st February 2024 9am—3pm



Join us at our Second Annual Careers Fair! Come and meet our fantastic students to talk about your business! It is a great opportunity to speak directly to students to provide information and advice about your Business, Training Provider or Sector.

Cox Green Careers Fair 2024



Please contact Mrs Thompson for more information via email h.thompson@coxgreen.com or scan the QR code to find out more!



Celebrating Success Our Stars of the Week



Year 7

Daisy Holloway, Tommy Heath and Jodie West
Nominated for their great effort in Geography and showing determination with a positive attitude.

Year 9

Jamai Lewally
Nominated for making mature decisions and doing the right thing.

Adarsh Dwivedi
Nominated for their first award in Year 9 - an amazing achievement!

Year 10

William Flavelle
Nominated for scoring two worldies from centre back in after school football!

Year 11

Mrs Killick and Mr Holman would like to nominate the **very talented Year 11 musicians** for their outstanding performance in the Winter Concert.
Well done to all involved!

Year 8

Lucy Irvin
Nominated for consistently demonstrating the core values in English lessons.

Isabelle Baldacchino and Jeevan Dass
Nominated for always making the right choices and being role model students.

Ethan Pavia
Nominated for displaying excellent determination in Art.

Oliver Lovell
Nominated for his engagement and enthusiasm for PE interhouse.

Cameron Hart
Nominated for his performance in the Interhouse Dodgeball Tournament.

Joshua Santacaterina
Nominated for his match winning backboard hit in the interhouse dodgeball tournament.

Kessym Traore and Dajuan Christian-Lees
Nominated for their performances in the Interhouse Football Competition.

Sixth Form Stars

**Maddie Thandi
Deeya Jutla
Taylor Brooks
Dom Carter**
Nominated for their help and support for Fundraising Week.



Foodshares

27th November—7th December 2023



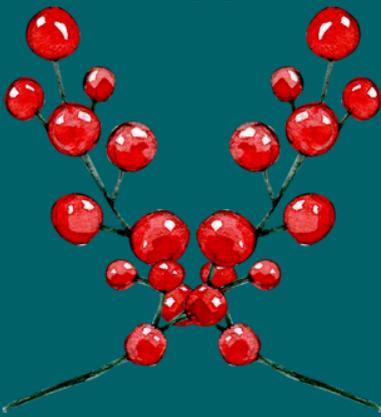
WISHMAS LIST

We would be very grateful
for the following food.

Last date for
receiving foodshare
IS

7th December 2023

SUPERMARKET GIFT VOUCHERS £10, £20



PICKLES/CHUTNEY

LONG LIFE MILK

FESTIVE PICKLES

STUFFING AND GRAVY

CHRISTMAS CAKE

YULE LOG

SAVOURY CRACKERS

JAM/MARMITE/PEANUT BUTTER

CHOCOLATE SPREAD

BOX OF CHOCOLATES

MIXED NUTS, PEANUTS & CRISPS

MULTI-PACK CHOCOLATE BARS

CHOCOLATE & SWEETS





Notices



COULD YOU INSPIRE OUR STUDENTS ?



YOU'RE HIRED—Mock Interview Day

Thursday 7th December 2023 -Year 11 students
10:30am - 1:30pm

There is still an opportunity for any parents that could spare time to help our students develop their interview skills?

Please contact Mrs Thompson for more information.
h.thompson@coxgreen.com

Parent Survey 2023

Our parent survey has now launched! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey as all feedback received is essential to the continued development of the school and your child's community.

The survey will close on Thursday 7th December.
Please find the link here to take part:
<https://forms.office.com/e/Nr0W5vW4Fy>



Christmas Jumper Day



Friday 15th December

For our last day of term, we will be holding a non-uniform day. Christmas jumpers are optional but warmly welcomed!
Please note there is a set donation of £2 and this can be paid via sQuid from Monday 4th December.

Pupil Cycle Safety

Here are ways to make sure your bike is ready for night-time riding and important tips to keep safe and be seen this winter:

Be visible to other road users in the dark by having lights and reflectors:



- One front light which is white.
- One rear light which is red, and a red reflector fitted at the rear.
- Amber reflectors on each pedal
- White front reflectors and spoke reflectors will also help you to be seen.

It is illegal to cycle on a public road after dark **without these lights and reflectors.**

If your lights are easily removable, take them with you when you lock your bike. Don't forget to charge rechargeable lights when you get home. Having an extra set of lights can also be useful.

DIRECTCLOTHING

SCHOOLWEAR | CORPORATEWEAR | TEAMWEAR | HOSPITALITY

Free delivery will be suspended during the Christmas break. Please note the last delivery will be ready for collection on Wednesday 13th December. Any orders made during the holidays will be delivered to the school on Tuesday 9th January 2024 or you can request orders to be delivered to your home address.

Reporting Student Absence

If a student is unwell and unable to attend school, please report the absence via Edulink under Absence Reporting. You can also view your child's attendance through Edulink One Portal (accessible via App on Android or IOS & viewable on www.edulinkone.com)

For more information on how to setup Edulink, please click here: [Edulink One Access \(coxgreen.com\)](http://Edulink One Access (coxgreen.com))



Student News

Eton College Debates

This week, Eton College debaters returned! The focus of this session was preparing a debate to take place next week at Eton College in their debating chamber. Students focused on the motion "this house would permit plea bargaining in criminal cases." There was much discussion on the benefits this might have in securing a greater number of convictions particularly where the main perpetrator denied culpability.

Once all arguments were explored, teams were assigned and division of material delegated. That means the next session at Eton College promises to be an excellent debate that we are looking forward to!



Student Services - Lost Property

Student Services have a large collection of unclaimed and unnamed lost property—Please ask your child to go to see Mrs Greenwood in Student Services if they are missing any items!



CGS Club Spotlight: Computer Club

The Cox Green Computer Club has only been running since the 20th September and is a fully inclusive club which helps students develop their computing skills. Mr Dickins and Miss Hughes were delighted with how well the KS3 Computer Club students performed in the recent Bebras challenge which introduces computational thinking to students and is designed to get everyone all over the world excited about computing!

This was the first year Cox Green students were entered into the competition! All students who took part were awarded with certificates, but several students performed exceptionally well.

Amber Martindale-Prater and Sidney Smith were awarded a Certificate of Merit, Gregory Tucker and Hugo Gray were awarded a certificate of Distinction and Samson Siu was awarded a Gold certificate which is the highest award available and is only awarded to students who score in the top 10% nationally! He has subsequently been invited to participate in the Oxford University Computer Challenge which takes place in the New Year.





Student News

Science in Action

Year 9 and Year 10 scientists had a fantastic time attending the Science in Action Lectures at the Emmanuel Centre in London. The students enjoyed learning about new insights and chemical reactions as well as an interactive myth busting session!



Winter Concert

Thank you to our wonderful students for showcasing their incredible musical talents in our Winter Concert last night. It was fantastic to see representation across all of the year groups for the evening showcase and the students performed with such confidence in front of a full auditorium! Our School Choir opened the evening with a selection of festive Christmas Carols and then closed the show with the highly anticipated version of 'Last Christmas' alongside the Cox Green School Rock Band. Many thanks to our staff Miss Killick, Miss Stockwell, Mr Holman, Mr Morris, Miss Piggott, Mrs King and Mrs Hart as well as our student helpers Jordan, Taylor, Isa and Kuba for their help and support making the evening a triumph!



#ReadingMatters

As we start to look forward to the Christmas Holidays, the English department have put together some recommended reads to enjoy over the holidays.

- A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
- A Long Way Gone by Ishmael Beah
- A Room with a View by E. M. Forster
- Lord of the Flies by William Golding





Fixtures

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition
Monday 4th December	Football	U13 Boys	St. Birinus	Home	2.15pm	National Cup
Tuesday 5th December	Football	Year 7 Girls	Various	Away	4pm	Girls 5-a-side (Indoor)
	Badminton	Year 7 and Year 8	Altwood	Home	TBA	Friendly
Wednesday 6th December	Football	U15 Boys	St. Birinus	Home	2.15pm	National Cup
	Netball	Year 10 Girls	Various	Away	4pm	Furze Platt League
Thursday 7th December	None					
Friday 8th December	School Closed—INSET Day					



CGS Club Spotlight: Table Tennis Club

Our Table Tennis club has recently launched and takes place on Wednesdays after school in the Old Gym. All year groups are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there!