

COX GREEN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to everyone in our school community.

This week, we are looking forward to supporting our students, as they take part in the Maidenhead Lions 40th annual Swimathon. The event will take place on Sunday 12th January 2025 at Braywick Leisure Centre and the students will have 50 minutes to swim as many lengths as they can. The students will be raising money for the Alexander Devine Hospice and Maidenhead Lions - if you would like to make a donation, the students would welcome your contribution via the link [here](#). Good luck to all involved and thank you to Miss Beech for her organisation of the event.



We are pleased to share with you the curriculum for Personal Development for this term. Year 7 will be learning about health/wellbeing, with their lessons focusing on puberty and dealing with changes. Year 8 will be learning about the importance of mental health and strategies to make healthy decisions. Year 9 will use their PD sessions to consider and prepare for their upcoming Key Stage 4 options, while Year 10 will discuss the importance of mental health and wellbeing during their GCSEs. Year 11 will receive support and advice for revision skills. The Year 11 students are also looking forward to their visit from the University of Reading later in the term. If you have any questions regarding the Personal Development curriculum, please feel welcome to contact Mr Hussain via email (k.hussain@coxgreen.com).

We have recently sent out a few reminders for the school expectations regarding uniform. Please do take a moment to review these to ensure your child is dressed according to the uniform code. Please note that black trainers are not permitted, and each student should wear appropriate black, polishable shoes. If you need any support in getting the correct items, please reach out to your child's SAFE Manager.

RECENT LETTERS:

- Year 11 Post Mock Exams
- Uniform Expectations 2025
- Year 11 Taster Day

Best wishes,
Mr Edwards, Headteacher

Weekly Calendar: Timetable Week 1

Monday 13th January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 Maths Information Evening (By invitation only)
Tuesday 14th January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 Trip to Museum of Brands • Year 10 & 11 Trip to War Horse • Year 11 Parent Meetings (By invitation only)
Wednesday 15th January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Thursday 16th January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 Sports Academy Taster Day • Year 11 Sixth Form Taster Day • Year 11 Parents Evening
Friday 17th January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

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SCHOOL NOTICES



Upcoming Dates Term Three

Monday 20th January 2025
Auschwitz and Krakow Trip

Tuesday 21st January 2025
Drop Everything and Read
Personal Development (Period 4)

Wednesday 22nd January 2025
PTFA Meeting (new members welcome)
5.30pm - 6.30pm

Thursday 23rd January 2025
Year 12 and Year 13 Parents Evening

Monday 27th January 2025
Parent Workshop - Online Safety Update

Tuesday 28th January 2025
Holocaust Memorial Day Trip (Year 11-13)

Wednesday 29th January 2025
Tate Modern Trip (Year 11)
UKMT Maths Challenge (Year 9-11 only)

Thursday 30th January 2025
Staff Training (Reception to close at 3pm)

Thursday 6th February 2025
Careers Fair (Years 7, 8, 9 10 and 12)
Year 10 Parents Evening

**Wednesday 12th and 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 2025.**

**The school will re-open for all year groups on
Monday 24th February 2025.**

Advance Notice: Roadworks

We have been made aware of upcoming road works which may impact on the students' commute to school. Major upgrades to the roundabout at the junction of Holyport Road / A308 Windsor Road will commence from Monday 6th January 2025. There will be a three way traffic light system in place until July 2025.

For further updates or more information, please refer to the RBWM website.



**The Creative Arts Department are looking for
student stagehands to support with the
upcoming school musical 'Grease!'.**



Duties would include working with the sound and lighting, scenery, props and supporting the production backstage. Please encourage your child to speak to Miss Piggott if they would like to apply and join the backstage team!

Coffee and cake with the 6th form team for
year 11 parents



**Monday 3rd February
4-5PM**



An opportunity for an informal conversation with the Sixth Form team, where parents can ask questions about the application process and what comes next.

KING'S
College
LONDON

Medicine and Dentistry Lectures 2025

Reminder: The deadline to apply for the lectures is 2pm on Friday 10th January 2025. For more information, please refer to the college website [here](#)

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Thank you to everyone who supported with the Christmas Toy Drive at the end of term. We received an incredible number of donations and the charities were very grateful for our community's support.



Congratulations to Mr Jones, Peripatetic Music Teacher, for his recent exciting role in the Christmas special of 'Call the Midwife'. You can spot Mr Jones featured in the episode, along with his colleagues from the Salvation Army Band.



Ski Trip Information Evening

Wednesday 8th January 2025

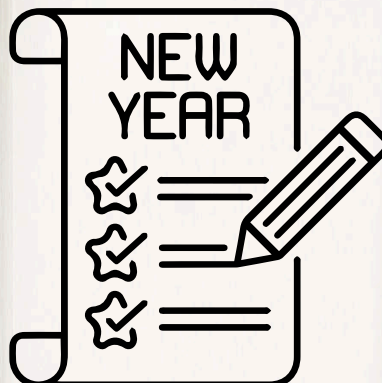
The presentation and trip information will be uploaded to the school website by Friday.



In their Personal Development session on Tuesday, Year 10 students joined guest speaker, Carly Seymour from Kooth, to discuss the importance of mental health and wellbeing.

Please scan the QR code for more information about the charity and their resources available for young people.

#Literacy Matters



Key Stage 3

Try to read at home for 20 minutes at least three times a week.



Key Stage 4

Read an article relating to one of your GCSE subjects at least once a week.



COX GREEN SCHOOL WHAT WE DID LAST TERM

While the students are settling in to the new term, this week we have a special edition of 'What we did' to showcase the highlights from the previous term. Year group student updates return to the newsletter next week!



Our Site Team have been working hard over the last few months to complete a number of important projects for the school, to improve the site for the benefit of the students and visitors.

We have a summary below of the completed projects and we would like to take this opportunity to thank our colleagues in the site team for their continued hard work and dedication to the school:

New tarmac resurfacing outside the school entrance.

Installation of a new drainage system outside the Littlewick building.

Updated gasworks and heating system, improving facilities for the Food Technology and Science Departments.

Installation of 6 new interactive TV screens.

Installation of 64 new computers, which will update 2 x classrooms.

Wi-fi extended to the field area, improving the range of guest wi-fi for visitors.

Improvement works to the perimeter lighting for pedestrian safety.



Digital Sign In

Our new electronic sign in system went live in time for the students' return in September! Our students can now sign in and out via the electronic tablet located by reception. The tablet is linked to the classroom registers, automatically updating the registers with a timestamp of the student's arrival or departure.



PTFA Re-launch



We re-launched our Parent Teacher Friends Association in September and have now successfully recruited a new committee. Since the re-launch, the PTFA has supported the school with many fundraising events such as the Macmillan Coffee Morning. Becoming an active member of the PTFA is a great way to get to the know your child's school and have the opportunity to network with staff and other parents.

The PTFA welcomes new members and in addition to supporting the school, we host regular meetings and socials for our parents and carers to get involved. If you would like to enquire about the PTFA or sign up for the mailing list, please contact Ms Chate (PA to Mr Edwards) via email p.chate@coxgreen.com



Duke of Edinburgh Award

Last term, we finalised our student participants for the Duke of Edinburgh Award 24/25. This year, we have 68 Bronze Award students and 26 Silver Award students this is one of highest number of participants historically! In addition, we have 9 students that will be assessed for their Gold Award. Every young person who achieves their Gold Award is invited to a prestigious ceremony at a Royal Palace. Good luck to all involved!



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After achieving the Gold Award for Young Carers in the prestigious borough awards last year, Miss Last and the SAFE team have continued to implement further support for our students who are recognised as Young Carers.

Last term, Miss Last launched a new Young Carers Workshop. This provides the students with a weekly opportunity to meet, and the students are paired together with their peers who have shared experiences.



The students were invited to attend a respite activity before the half term, which was hosted by Miss Morris and Miss Last. The students had fun taking over the school theatre for a pizza and film afternoon.

If you would like further information about the Young Carers Workshop, please feel welcome to contact Miss Last via email d.last@coxgreen.com



Extra-Curricular Activities

Our departments have collectively reviewed and increased the number of extra-curricular clubs, sports teams and study groups available for students to join. The Science department launched the GCSE study groups and also recently ran an interactive competition for the students to take part. In addition to the new clubs offered to our students, some departments such as Music, have restructured the timings of their clubs to allow even more students the opportunity to take part! New clubs this year include Technology Club run by Mr Bali, Italian Language and Culture Club with Mrs Parisi and Boxing Group arranged by Miss Mullins. Please encourage your child to speak to the tutors if they would like to join!

We actively encourage the Sixth Form students to either support the existing clubs in leadership roles or to launch their own clubs and societies that would be open for the younger students to also enjoy. New clubs from the Sixth Form students this year included a Creative Writing club and a student led running team.



Further Maths

This year, the Maths Department have invited several Year 10 students to study Further Maths; a course upon completion that will earn an additional GCSE qualification. This is a new course offered at Cox Green School and Further Maths allows the students to study beyond the national Mathematics curriculum. Further Maths GCSE is by invitation only, however if you have any questions about the course, please contact Mr Morris via email a.morris@coxgreen.com.

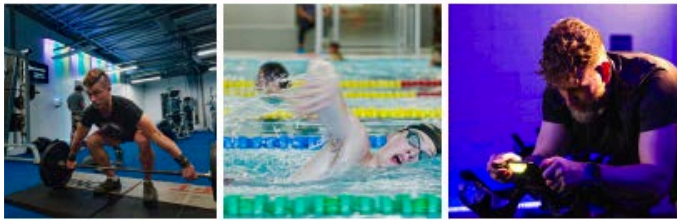
COMMUNITY NOTICES



TIME TO FOCUS

GYM - CLASSES - SWIMMING - HEALTH SPA

NEW YEAR - NEW GOALS - NEW MINDSET



KICKSTART YOUR 2025 AT LEISURE FOCUS

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Virtual Coffee Morning - Emotional Related School Avoidance

Friday 17th January
10am to 11.15am

25 spaces available!

Join our online informal discussion to cover the following areas:

- Exploring school avoidance: why it happens and strategies to support
- The effects on the child, parents and school
- Finding positive social and academic support strategies

Celebrate your success with other parents/carers, share your experience and gain support during our coffee morning.



Sign Up Today!

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

To book your place contact GEMS:

Gems.4Health@nhs.net

0800 999 1342



- What will be covered?
- What is an Apprenticeship?
 - Benefits of an Apprenticeship?
 - How to find an Apprenticeship
 - Different Apprenticeship Levels

APPRENTICESHIPS WEBINAR

FOR PARENTS/CARERS AND STUDENTS

DATE 12TH FEB

TIME 17:30-18:30PM

SCAN ME:



JOIN HERE: [HTTPS://WINDSOR-FOREST.INFO/3UESH16](https://windsor-forest.info/3UESH16)

MAIDENHEAD LIONS START THE NEW YEAR WITH A SPLASH!

Save the date:
40th ANNUAL SWIMARATHON

Sunday 12th Jan 2025
at Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead



COX GREEN SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS

Sports Fixtures

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition
Monday 13th January 2025	Badminton	Y7 & Y8 Mixed	Various	HOME	14.00	Tournament
Tuesday 14th January 2025	Badminton	Y9 Mixed	Various	HOME	14.00	Tournament
	Football	U13 Girls	Trinity, Newbury	HOME	15.15	County Cup
	Football	U15 Girls	Edgbarrow	AWAY	15.45	League
Wednesday 15th January 2025	Football	Y7 Boys	Maiden Erlegh	HOME	15.45	County Cup
	Football	Y8 Boys	Emmbrook	AWAY	15.45	League
	Netball	Y9 Girls	Furze Platt League	AWAY	16.00	League
Saturday 18th January 2025	Athletics	School Championships - Newbury				