#### **COX GREEN SCHOOL**

### **NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to our students who competed in the Berkshire Schools Cross-Country Championships on Saturday. Braving the cold and damp conditions, they all competed really well with a great degree of success! Yasmin Grant ran an excellent time of 13'25, taking the bronze medal in the Girls U19 race. Toby Smith came 15th in the Boys U17 race, and Chloe Bavazzano came 16th in the Girls U17 competition. In the U13 Boys event, Ian Kim ran hard in a race that contained a massive 106 runners!

A fantastic effort and a huge well done to our competitors!











Year 9 students have started to meet with Mrs Thompson for their careers appointments, to offer further support for their upcoming options process. If you have any questions regarding the appointments, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Thompson. We have included a list of parent and student webinars on the Sixth Form page of the newsletter, however these would be suitable for parents and students from Year 9 to Sixth Form to help the students consider their future pathways.

We are also delighted to share with you that collectively, we raised a grand total of

£605.51 for Save the Children from our Christmas jumper day.

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#### **RECENT LETTERS:**

- Early Closure Letter 2025
- Year 9 Options Letter 2025
- Class of 2025 Yearbook

Best wishes, Mr Edwards, Headteacher

## Monday 27th January 2025 Parent Workshop - Online Safety Update Eton College Debating Trip (Year 10 & 11) 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 3.30pm) Friday 31st January 2025 None

#### **COX GREEN SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS**



**Upcoming Dates** Term Three

Monday 3rd February 2025 Sixth Form Coffee and Cake (Year 11 only)

**Thursday 6th February 2025** 

Careers Fair (Years 7, 8, 9 10 and 12) Year 10 Parents Evening

NEW: Personal Development (Period 1)

Wednesday 12th February 2025 School Production 'Grease!'

Thursday 13th February 2025 School Production 'Grease!'

NEW: Taster Day Choices - Deadline for Year 9

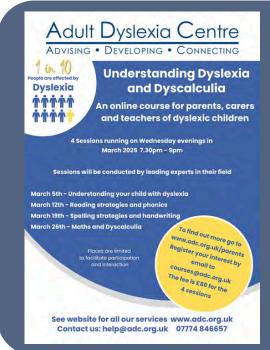
Friday 14th February 2025

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.



This week in assemblies, Miss Beech led the students in the year group house competitions. Please check back next week for the announcement of the winners!



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#### CYBER PROTECT WEBINARS 📵 🖁 🎍 ROCU 💳

The Digital Dilemma: **Keeping Children** Safe Online

January 23rd, 28th, 30th February 3rd, 6th, 10th, 12th, 13th



**⊕ TICKETS ONLINE: ⊕** Eventbrite: Police - South East Cyb

#### FREE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

run by Police Cyber Protect teams

Hints and tips to secure your family online, covering cyber risks and scams in:

Gaming



Social Media



Email

#### TO BOOK YOUR SPACE:

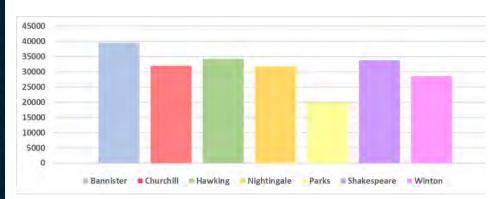
Click here, scan the QR code or search online for "eventbrite police southeast cyber"



#### **House Points**

Bannister continue to hold onto their lead, however Hawking are closing the gap with a close second. Well done to Parks for their large uptake of points this week! Special mention to all Year 8 students who as a year group, have collectively earned the most achievement points compared to their peers in the other year groups.

#### Congratulations!



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## SCHOOL NEWS

Did you know you can find suggested reading lists for each year group on our website?

Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Year 10

<u>Year 11</u>

#### **#Literacy Matters**





Thank you to all who attended our meeting yesterday - New members to the PTFA are warmly welcomed and we will share the next



date of our upcoming meeting shortly! 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

## SCHOOL NEWS

## Club of the Week Debating Club



Debating Club
3pm - 4pm
C21
Miss Leary





The debating exchange between Cox Green School and Eton College recommenced for the Spring term. The motion the students were debating was "This house believes Elon Musk is a danger to democracy." This proved to be a challenging motion due to the wording of danger, the nature of what constitutes free speech, the discussion of what is acceptable funding versus bribery in electoral campaigns, what constitutes democracy and also the nature of domestic democracy versus involvement in foreign states.

There was plenty of discussion of X, formerly known as Twitter, Elon Musk's relationship with Donald Trump and Keir Starmer and to what extent the electorate cares. It proved to be a very engaging debate that was argued in British Parliamentary format with two teams on Proposition and two teams on Opposition.

Plenty of points of information were offered on both sides of the house and the adjudicator commented on the clear progress in confidence and sophistication of argument seen in the debaters.

All debaters are looking forward to their upcoming trip to Eton College next week!

#### **Year 7 Design Technology**

In Year 7, for their Design Technology projects, the students are tasked with making their own wooden pencil boxes. Over the Christmas holidays, Etienne Neal took his project all the way to New Zealand and explains in his own words below how he completed



the work:



"This was not easy to make! It was a project of mine and my grandad's when I visited them in New Zealand over Christmas and we used some native New Zealand wood on the top mechanism, Tara, a golden wood, and for the swivelling lid I used kauri, which is a prized native timber. I plan to felt the inside of the pencil case and engrave mine and my grandad's name on it."





#### WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Stars of the Week

#### **Noah Salamut**

Nominated for attempting the 'Challenge Tasks' in French lessons.

#### Arabella Ronchetti

Nominated for excellent achievement in the Gold Reading Assessment.

#### **Shannon Potter**

Nominated for excellent achievement in the Silver Reading Assessment.

Tilly Winter Kacie Merkel Maya Kupaza

Nominated for excellent achievement in the Bronze Reading Assessment.





Year 7



In Food Technology this week, Year 7 researched recipes and took part in 'cook your own dish'. The students each chose a savoury dish to make and choices included stir-frys, omelettes and beef burgers!

In their literacy sessions, the students visited the library and enjoyed free time choosing books to read during the week.

Congratulations to Ethan, Thomas, George and Harry who won their Bronze Awards for achievement points this week - Well done!



Stars of the Week

#### **Owen Allen**

Nominated for fantastic work in Religious Studies - Well done!

Seara Siju
Ava Traynor
Lily Rippen
Amin Mansouri
Lucas Cannon-Jones
Breah Rance
Olivia Macionczyk
Olivier Kakareko
Kian Collins
Dara Benson
Liam Bankhead
Nominated for their effort and
commitment in English.

In their Personal Development session this week, Year 8 were joined by guest speakers from the NHS to talk about the importance of mental health and well-being.

The participants of the GCHQ Christmas Card Challenge enjoyed a celebratory breakfast last Friday, and all of Year 8 had fun in assembly this morning with the competitive

house competitions organised by Miss Beech!









Year 8

#### WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Year 9
Stars of the Week

**Alysia Peters** 

Nominated for excellent contributions in her Art lesson.

Rylan Edwards, Daya Tiwana,

Mason Kennedy-Jones

and Lincoln Doyle

Nominated for great effort and
positive attitude to learning in French.

**Mahek Mullick** 

Nominated for helping a member of staff in Dine.

Hayden-Lilly Odwyer

Nominated for being helpful during form time.

**Oliver Lovell** 

Nominated for effort and commitment in English.





Year 9



This has been an important week for Year 9, as the students met for their careers appointments. In Geography, Year 9 took part in a fieldwork project studying the school environment. The other students started their cake decorating project and we were very impressed with their creative efforts!







Year 10

Year 10
Stars of the Week

**Zachary Peake** 

Nominated for excellent focus in Science lessons and working to improve his knowledge in Chemistry.

Well done!

#### **Amanda Simana**

Nominated for being determined to understand the challenging concepts in Chemistry.

#### **Hannah Ryan**

Nominated for consistent hard work in lessons and being determined!

**Talea Moraitis** 

Nominated for fantastic work in composition.



Our annual badminton tournaments have seen teams from half a dozen schools attend, and on Tuesday, it was the turn

of the Year 10 and Year 11 teams! In a 6-team boys tournament, there was some excellent play from many players. In a hard fought final, our

A team came up just short against a strong

Windsor Boys team and our students finished in 2nd place. The B team also battled hard through all their matches. Well done to our girls team, Anna Koldashi, Amilee Bhargava, Millie Benaim, Simar Ahuja and Grace Watkins who played extremely well, coming runners up to Charters School.

This week, our Year 10 students enjoyed a performance of Macbeth from The Globe Players, which is one of the plays they will study for GCSE.



#### COX GREEN SCHOOL

#### WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Joshua White, Ahtishaam Zaheer, Callum Smith, Lexi Saunders, Joseph Santacaterina, Madison O'Brien, George Moore, Alfie Blackall, Zsofia Milligan, Emily Bolton, Theo Brown, Grace Cairns-Manning, Kirtan Dosanjh, William Flavelle, Connie Groom, Deavon Hart, Amabel Jacobs, Eloise Kyte and Michael Mackey Nominated for their excellent work in Personal Development - well done!

Benjamin Clarke, **Abigail Robinson and Ruby Carter** Nominated for brilliant work in Science.

We have recently sent a letter out to Year 11 parents regarding the ordering of the Yearbooks. Please take a moment to review the letter as this contains the school's unique ID code needed to place the order. To avoid disappointment, please ensure all orders are placed by Monday 31st March 2025. The school will not be ordering any spare Yearbooks and therefore we would like to stress to all parents and carers that it is essential to place your order before the deadline, otherwise it will be too late.

On Wednesday, Year 11 were joined by The Globe Players

week in Science, the students took part in an practical lesson to study acceleration.

In Food Technology, the students practised using a piping bag to make Duchess potatoes and write chocolate calligraphy.





Year 11



**Go**Drive

Sixth Form

This week, the Sixth Form students took part in an online session with 'Go Drive'. Students learnt about safe driving practices, the 2 year 'new drivers' licence and the importance of buying a safe first car. The session offered information, advice and practical tips for the students to become safe on the roads.

Stars of the Week **Emilie Haley** Nominated for demonstrating kindness and

Sixth Form

upholding school values.

STUDENT WEBINARS If you are unable to attend live please still register to receive the recording of the 6-7PM (UK TIME)





11TH FERRUARY







If you would like more information, you can read more here: https://www.godrive.org.uk/



Please ensure your child has submitted their application

## SPORTS NEWS

#### Results

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition	Result
Monday 20th January 2025	Basketball	U13 Boys	Burnham Grammar	НОМЕ	16.00	Friendly	Boys 2nd, Girls 2nd
Tuesday 21st January 2025	Badminton	Y10 & Y11 Mixed	Various	НОМЕ	14.00	Tournament	D 3-3, L on penalties
Wednesday 22nd January 2025	Netball	Y8 Girls	Furze Platt League	AWAY	16.00	League	W 4-1
	Football	Y8 Boys	Kings Binfield	AWAY	15.45	League	P 5, D1, L4

#### **Sports Fixtures**

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition				
Monday 27th January 2025	Basketball	Y7	Cross Court tournament	НОМЕ	16.00	Friendly				
	Football	U15 Girls	St. Bernards	AWAY	15.45	County Cup				
Wednesday 29th January 2025	Football	U13 Boys	King's Binfield	НОМЕ	15.45	League				
Saturday 1st February 2025	County Cross Country Championships - Newbury									