

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ahead of the upcoming mock exams next week, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students in Year 11 and Year 13 the very best of luck. We understand that for some students, this can be a very stressful period and our staff will be available to offer any additional support where required. Please do take a moment to revisit the Year 11 and Year 13 mock exams letters, which contain reminders for the exam arrangements for each year group. Year 11 students are reminded that they will be expected to be in full uniform (including blazers and ties). It is essential that all students understand and, more importantly, adhere to the strict no mobile phone policy for their exams. Mobile phones are expected to be switched off and handed in at the start of the exam. Our Sixth Form student reporters (with the help of Mr Hart!) have put together some revision tips which students might find helpful to refer to ahead of the exams. Best wishes and good luck to all!

The Art department are thrilled to announce the worthy winners of the annual Christmas Card competition. This year, the theme was 'Christmas Songs', and all of the entries were outstanding in both effort and imagination, making it an extremely difficult decision for the judges! You can view the artwork and announcement of our winners and runners up on pages 5 and 6 of the newsletter.



Our Parent Survey is now live and you will have received an email with the link to take part. We would welcome and encourage as many of you as possible to take 5 minutes to complete the survey.

Your feedback is essential for the continued improvement and development of the school, and our services. Please note the survey will close on 1.30pm on Friday 22nd November. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Mr Hussain via email ([k.hussain@coxgreen.com](mailto:k.hussain@coxgreen.com)).

Best wishes,  
Mr Edwards, Headteacher

## RECENT LETTERS:

- [Year 11 English Revision Guides](#)

## HAVE YOU MISSED A LETTER?

- [Year 11 Mock Exams Letter](#)
- [Year 13 Mock Exams Letter](#)

## Weekly Calendar: Timetable Week 2

Monday 25th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mock Exams begin (Year 11 and Year 13)</li> </ul>
Tuesday 26th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal Development (Period 1)</li> </ul>
Wednesday 27th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
Thursday 28th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School reception to close at 3.30pm due to staff training</li> </ul>
Friday 29th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>



# COX GREEN SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS



## Upcoming Dates

### Term Two

**Friday 6th December:**  
INSET Day  
(School closed)

**Monday 9th December:**  
Real Tennis Trip (Year 12 & 13)  
**NEW - Attendance Online Workshop for  
Parents (5pm-6pm)**

**Thursday 12th December:**  
You're Hired (Year 11)  
Winter Concert

**Friday 13th December:**  
Flu Vaccinations

**Tuesday 17th December:**  
Year 13 visit to  
Shrewsbury Prison

**Friday 20th December:**  
End of Term  
(school closes at 12.30pm)

**MAIDENHEAD LIONS**  
START THE NEW YEAR WITH A SPLASH!

**Save the date:**  
**40th ANNUAL  
SWIMARATHON**  
Sunday 12th Jan 2025  
at Braywick Leisure Centre,  
Maidenhead

Great fun for swimmers of all ages & abilities.  
More information to follow on how to be involved in Team CGS



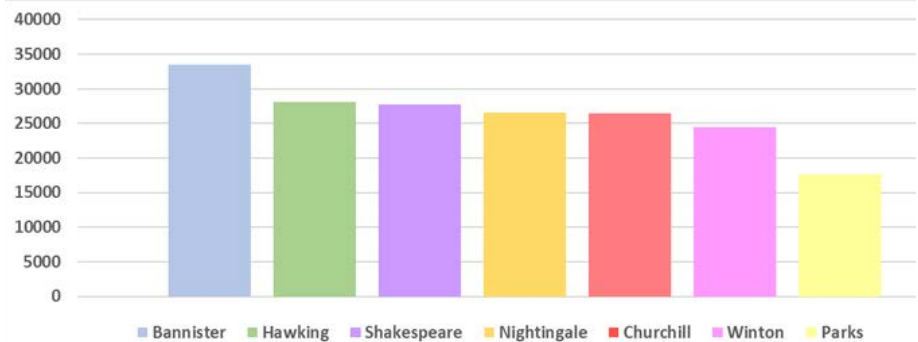
## Assemblies this week: Be Determined: Careers



This week, the assemblies were personalised by year group. Year 10 and Year 11 welcomed guest speakers from local colleges. Year 9 had a talk from Mrs Thompson to discuss researching career options and requirements ahead of choosing their GCSE subjects next year. Year 8 celebrated creative careers week, while Year 7 are looking forward to their assembly tomorrow featuring a game of 'Guess who' matching their teachers to their qualifications and educational backgrounds. If you would like to contact Mrs Thompson for any information or advice about further education, work experience or apprenticeship placements for your child, please feel welcome to contact her via email: [h.thompson@coxgreen.com](mailto:h.thompson@coxgreen.com)

## House Points

While Bannister continue to storm ahead in first place, congratulations go to Nightingale for securing a grand total of 1868 achievement points this week, the largest uptake of points in comparison to the other Houses. Well done Nightingale!



## Reporting on student progress



If you would like to find out more about how we report on student progress at Cox Green, please click on the link below which will take you to a video on the school's YouTube channel about what we report, the breakdown of the different reports and the frequency of the reporting.

[CGS academic reporting](#)



**BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW**  
**14TH - 24TH DECEMBER**  
BAYLIS THEATRE, BRAYWICK LEISURE CENTRE, MAIDENHEAD



Debating Club  
Monday 18th  
November 2024



Eton College debaters returned to Cox Green School to guide our students in a lively debate on the motion 'This House Regrets the Rise of TikTok'.

The proposition created issues such as the deficit in attention span of users and the potential for bullying. But the ultimate opposition carried the day, arguing that TikTok actually brought people together and provided a great opportunity for people to create employment. Eton College was incredibly impressed with the development of our students, who all made nearly five minutes in speeches when they had limited preparation time. We now all look forward to the final Autumn session taking place on Monday 2nd of December!

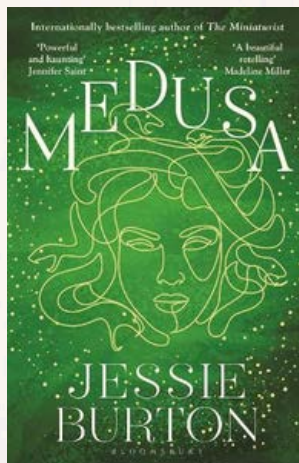
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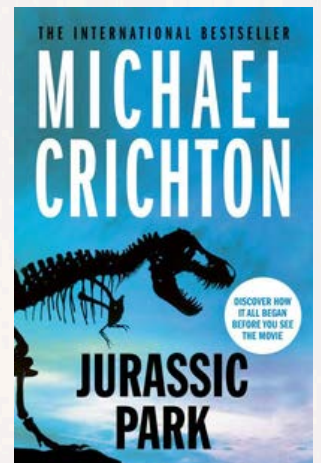
Every Monday and Wednesday morning during tutor time, Ms Burke runs the Literacy Mentoring sessions where Year 7 students are paired with Year 10 students. The older students listen to the Year 7 students read; helping build their confidence, improve literacy skills and encourage a love of reading.

## #Literacy Matters

Mrs Thompson  
Teacher of History & Philosophy  
is currently reading:



Ms Chate  
Headteacher's PA  
is currently reading:



**STFC ACADEMY  
U16 TALENT ID**



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



FOR 2025 INTAKE OPEN TO CURRENT YR. 11  
**Monday 23rd December 2024**  
**2.30pm - 4.30pm**

To register, please scan the QR Code



Arbour Park Stadium, Stoke Road, Slough, SL2 5AY



## PTFA - Volunteers needed!

We are currently looking for volunteers to help staff the refreshment stall for the Winter Concert on Thursday 12th December.

To sign up or to be added to the PTFA mailing list for updates, please email the Chair via [PTFA@coxgreen.com](mailto:PTFA@coxgreen.com).

# COX GREEN SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS

## Club of the Week



Sustainability Club  
All years welcome  
Mondays, Break 2, F3  
Miss Richardson



The Sustainability Club meets weekly to discuss environmental issues, promote awareness and arrange initiatives to help make our school a greener place! This week, the club have been busy preparing posters to display around the school to promote the upcoming toy drive (full details below!). If you would like to donate old or new toys, the Sustainability Club members and Miss Richardson would be grateful to receive your donations by the end of term. Donations can be dropped off at reception and the club would like to thank you all for your support.

### Donate Old:

The Sustainability Club are collecting old stuffed toys to be donated to Loved Before. This is a stuffed toy adoption site, that puts toys up for adoption for a small fee. The money raised will be given to Make A Wish, a charity for children with serious and terminal illnesses.



### Donate New

Feeling like you don't want to part with your toys? We will also be accepting new toys as a Donation for the Salvation Army. Gifts donated will be sent to children living in poverty, meaning every child can get a gift this Christmas.



Bring your donations to either Miss Richardson or the School Reception. Deadline for donations will be the 20<sup>th</sup> December.



## Preparing for Exams: Revision Strategies with Mr Hart and Sixth Form Reporters

With the exams coming up, Mr Hart shares some helpful revision tips with our Sixth Form Reporters:

### Plan your revision

Consider making a revision timetable. By doing this, you are able to have flexibility to build in some relaxation time while still making time to study.

### Creating posters with key information

These can be placed around your house to help revision feel more natural and less like a chore.

### Teach friends and family

This is a fun way to revise by teaching your friends and family what you have learnt! This will encourage your brain to dig out information and through this, it allows you to prioritise any important topics that you struggle to remember.

### Record your notes

Recording and then playing back your notes can drill in the information!

### Researching past papers

The most crucial part of revision is knowing your exam paper inside out so there are no surprises! You can do this by researching your exam board specifications or by just practising past papers to familiarise yourself with the types of questions likely asked.

Some useful revision resources can be found online such as BBC bitesize, Seneca, Maths Genie, My Maths and Century Tech. Hopefully these tips are useful and can help you get the best possible grades you can.

Good luck!



**Lost Property Display**  
**Wednesday 20th &**  
**Thursday 21st November**

Thank you to all who attended our Lost Property Display this week. If you were unable to attend and your child is missing any items, please encourage them to visit Student Services at breaktimes to check the lost property boxes before the end of term.

# WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK

## Year 7



Year 7

Stars of the Week

William Eves, Emelia Mullenger,  
and Skylar Walsh

&

Lily Fitzpatrick, Darren Davies,  
Isaac Swain and Thais Cardoso

Nominated as Stars of the Week in Art for working so well in their team challenge to create their group tiger image. The Art department has shared the pictures of their work this week below. Well done Year 7!

**Amy Mooney**

Nominated by Mr Pinkerton for very impressive History homework. Keep it up!



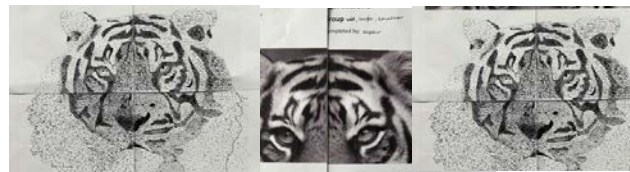
Year 7 Christmas Card Winner 2024  
**Daniel Kay**



Year 7 Runners up

- Lucas Black
- Shannon Potter
- Freya Nielson
- Leo Patrick
- Ekjot Sekhon
- Charlotte Compton

This week, Year 7 learned the basic passes in netball and practised their throwing and catching skills. The inclement weather unfortunately meant that the Year 7 Boys Football County Cup match at Newbury was postponed, however we did manage to catch up with the boys for their first team photo!



## Year 8



Year 8

Stars of the Week

Sidney Smith, Harry Pettit,  
Muhammad Ikram, Harley Page,  
Alfie Holyoake and Arthur Byrne

Nominated for excellent engagement in PE lessons.

**Harry Burke**

Nominated by Mrs Patterson for fantastic effort and great attitude to learning.

Lucy Miles, Amelie Strickland,  
Josephine Squire, Lily Rippen,  
Alexia Pascu, Alex Kharun, Nicole  
Ksieska, Grace Herrod and Sol  
Compton

Nominated for producing an outstanding piece of homework on the symmetrical beetle.

Well done!



Year 8 Christmas Card Winner 2024  
**Joshua Palmer**



Year 8 Runners up

- Annabelle Dobbin
- Maddison McGuire
- Pippa Tan
- Layla Stock
- Amber Heaton
- Milev Harper

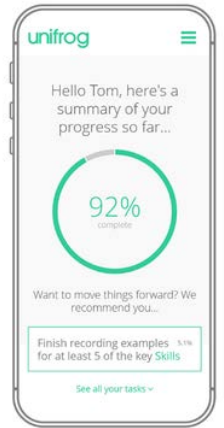
On Friday last week, Miss Mullins hosted a reward breakfast for the students who had achieved the highest number of achievement points. Congratulations to Cameron Money who is currently in the lead in Year 8 with a staggering 870 points, followed by Jay Swift with 561 points and Amrita Sihra with 496 points. Well done! The celebrations continued as our Year 8 Football Team (accompanied by an honourable member from Year 7!) watched history be made when they visited Wembley Stadium to see England win 5-0 against the Republic of Ireland in the UEFA Nations League.



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# WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK

## Year 9



For their Careers assembly on Wednesday, Year 9 enjoyed a presentation from Mrs Thompson about preparation for selecting their options. Year 9 were introduced to the app 'Unifrog', which the students can use to view career paths, take personality quizzes and research future opportunities. Students can access the app using their school login details - if they are having trouble accessing the app, please ask them to see Mrs Thompson. Thank you to Kuba (Year 11) for giving a brief presentation in the Year 9 assembly about his experience in the RAF cadets!

### Year 9 Stars of the Week

**Lex McCarten**

Nominated for outstanding work in English by Mr Lynch.

**James Turnbull  
and Erin Callaghan**

Nominated for producing brilliant work on the 'Mythical Beasts' portraits in Art.

## Year 10



In their assembly this week, Year 10 had a presentation from Activate Learning to discuss opportunities and different pathways at their Reading, Bracknell and Wokingham colleges. The students have been encouraged to begin making visits to college open days this year, in order to get a head start identifying the courses and college environments suitable for their future placements. For example, the students can visit The Kitchen (based at Reading campus), open to members of the public for lunch and dinner, and entirely staffed and run by the the culinary arts students. You can read more about Activate Learning and upcoming open days [here](#).

We are also pleased to share these wonderful photos from Miss Piggott's GCSE drama class this week, showcasing the students' movement skills.

### Year 10 Stars of the Week

**Zachary Peake**

Nominated for being polite and showing kindness to staff.

**Hannah Defranco  
and Arianna Sarfaraz**

Nominated by Mr Hussain for excellent effort and hard work in their Sociology lessons.

**Finley Dobson, Simar Ahuja,  
Alexander Konig, Joe Loureiro,  
Nina Sugawara, Alex Ladd  
and Rhea Saran**

Nominated for great focus and attitude in their Media online lessons. Well done!

**Jamai Lewally**

Nominated for making a fantastic start to the new term.

# COX GREEN SCHOOL WHAT WE DID THIS WEEK



Year 11

## Stars of the Week

Lewis Walsh, Jenson Weaver,  
Jordan Wakeham, Khaliya Taylor,  
Oscar Macionczyk, Zsofia  
Milligan, Franky Friend, Amabel  
Jacobs, Grace Engleman, Macey  
Florez, Kirtan Dosanjh, Alexander  
Dovey Beale, Lucas Crossley,  
Amber Cruikshank and  
Nelly Delinger

Nominated for great focus during  
their English revision lesson.

### Harry-James Elliot

For help supporting with content  
about Unifrog for the newsletter.

### Darcey Walker

Nominated for being a  
conscientious and thoughtful  
member of the school community.



## Year 11



Our Sixth Form team were thrilled to see so many familiar faces join us for our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 14th November - Thank you to all of the families who attended with our students. The Sixth Form applications are now open, and Year 11 students have been encouraged to submit an application early, to have a place held for them, even if they are still reviewing their options and next steps. The students had a guest speaker from BCA (Windsor Forest Colleges Group) join them in their Careers assembly this week with Mrs Thompson. The students learned about the different pathways available at the Windsor Forest Colleges, including the option of selecting 'T-Levels' (equivalent 3 x A-Levels) offering students an opportunity for both classroom learning and access to a work placement. Ahead of the mock exams next week, we would like to remind parents and carers to carefully review the students' timetables and our recent letter [here](#), with a summary of the exam timetables, expectations and requirements.



Sixth Form

## Stars of the Week

### Manroop Bhamra

Nominated for his helpfulness  
in Media. Well done!

### Shae Cunningham

Nominated for brilliant work in  
A-Level Business.

### Eisa Hussain

Nominated for great work, effort  
and attitude to learning.

### Deeya Jutla

Nominated for continued hard  
work in lessons.

### Anela Akoun

Nominated for always striving to  
do her best.



# What Next?

## Sixth Form



On Friday the 12th November, our Year 12 students attended 'What University? and What Career? Live!' at the Olympia in London. The event offered different presentations for the students covering everything from student finance, admissions processes, how to gain qualifications whilst earning and even how to study abroad. The trips for Sixth Form continued on Monday, as the Key Stage 5 Physics students were invited to attend 'Physics in Action!' live lectures at the Emmanuel Centre in London. The students enjoyed five sessions, including a special session on examination success!

Sixth Form are pleased to announce the new Cross Country running club which will take place weekly on Wednesdays, run by the students and open to all year groups.

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# COX GREEN SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS

## Results

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition	Result
Tuesday 19th November	Football	Year 7 Boys	Trinity Newbury	AWAY	14:30	County Cup	Postponed
	Basketball	U14 Boys	Holyport College	HOME	16:00	League	W40-19

## Sports Fixtures

Date	Sport	Age Group	Opposition	Home / Away	Time Start	Competition
Thursday 21st November	Basketball	Year 7	Maidenhead Erlegh Earley	Away	16:00	Friendly
Tuesday 26th November	Football	Year 7 Boys	Sandhurst	Away	16:00	County Cup
Monday 2nd December	Basketball	U14 Boys	St.Crispins	Away	15:45	Friendly
Wednesday 4th December	Netball	Year 7 Girls	Furze Platt League	Away	16:00	League