

## MR CORMACK'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

#### **KEY EVENTS NEXT WEEK**

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Dinner

Christmas Concert (Cowley Hall, 6pm)

Friday 20th December Y7-11 Celebration Assemblies

College closes at 1pm for Christmas break

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD



Congratulations to the students who were nominated for this week's Principal's Award. I'm extremely proud of you, well done!

## **EMPLOYABILITY PROFILES**

At Cowley, we support students in many ways, so they are ready for the 'world of work' when they are adults. Having professional standards for the workplace is key and we learn these as students.

All employers expect their staff to meet the expectations of the organisation, conduct themselves correctly and turn up for work. School is an opportunity for students to learn and demonstrate these attributes so they can prove to future employers that they have what it takes to do the job.

After Christmas, parents will be receiving our first Employability profile for their child. This will be a personalised report for each child to identify what is going well and areas for development so your child is demonstrating employability attributes. If you have any questions, then please contact the college.

#### **CHRISTMAS READY**

There are five more school days to go until we break up for Christmas. It is a standard week with a sprinkling of festive fun and a huge Christmas celebration with the year teams on Friday at 12pm.

We have another attendance prize draw with some top gifts to giveaway, you've got to be in for a chance to win.

Students will be dismissed at 1pm. We are attempting to arrange for earlier buses, but if they can't, students will be supervised until 3pm for the usual bus arrangements.

## **SPORTING STORIES**

It has been a busy week of sport at Cowley. Well done to everyone involved!



We've had the Y7/8 and Y9/10 girls rugby teams in action in the St Helens Schools Rugby Festivals, both doing really well.

The Y8 boys football team progressed into the next round of the St Helens Town Cup by beating Sutton Academy.



The Y7/8 and Y9/10 girls football teams did fantastically at the St Helens Schools Football Festival. We fielded multiple teams at the Y7/8 event, more than any other school.

The Y7 boys rugby team progressed into the quarter finals of the North West Counties, and in doing so make it into the National Schools Cup too! Great stuff!

The Y9 boys football team made it through to the Town Cup semi-finals by defeating St Cuthberts.



And last, but not least, our Y8 and Y10/11 girls netball teams played in the Town Cup against De La Salle and performed excellently.

#### WORLD FAITH DAY





Today, our Y7 students have been taking part in our World Faith Day.

Students have been learning more about a range of different faiths and worldviews, getting involved with a number of activities based around different religions and religious festivals celebrated around the world.

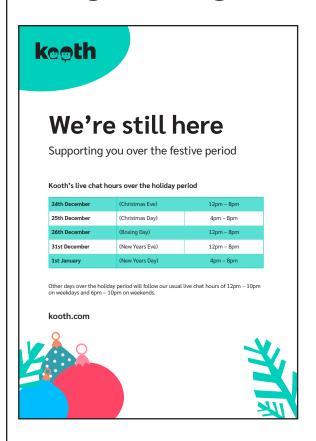
I'd like to thank all of the guest speakers who came into College today to help with the activities.

Please check out page 2 to find some important safeguarding information as well as a new newsletter feature where we'll be shining a spotlight on some of our students.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr Cormack

# Safeguarding in the Spotlight





With the Christmas break fast approaching, we appreciate there will be some young people who may struggle during the holidays without the access to the daily pastoral support, trusted adults and friends that the school community provides.

You're not alone - Kooth is still available to access during the Winter holiday period.

If you or someone you know needs extra mental wellbeing support during the holiday season, Kooth are here.

Visit www.kooth.com to find out more.



# Student Spotlight



Name: Daniel (Y13 - Cowley Sixth Form College)

Schools attended: Thatto Heath Primary, Cowley International College

Subjects: A-Level Politics, BTEC Applied Science, BTEC Uniformed Protective Services

Achievements: Being voted Head Boy by fellow students

What do you enjoy most about being at Cowley? At Cowley Sixth Form, everyone strives for you to be your best and will go above and beyond to give you every opportunity to do so.

The opportunities to better yourself, both inside and outside the classroom, are endless, and every single staff member wants to make sure that you succeed at everything you do.

It has remained the fantastic learning environment that drew me towards it in the first place, and it certainly has not disappointed.