

MR CORMACK'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

All week Y12 mock examinations

Monday, 16th June Cricket Fixture (Sedbergh School)

Wednesday, 18th - Friday, 20th June Y8 Quinta trip

Wednesday, 18th June Uniform Consulation Event for Parents

Friday, 20th June Y12 Talk on Oxbridge Applications

Principal's Award



Congratulations to this week's winners of the Principal's Award! It's a fantastic achievement to be nominated from a year group of 250 students. I'm extremely proud of you.

Final push for exams

My sincere thanks go to all those parents and carers who have been supporting our Y11 and Y13 students during this busy exam season.

The end is in sight, with the Y11 exams finishing on Monday while the Y13 exams finish next week too.

That said, we have internal exams taking place and it's been really pleasing to hear how students have been putting time into revision and it's helping them feel more confident about their exams. Keep up the great work!

Cambodia trip meeting



This week, representatives from Camps International were in college to discuss the upcoming visit to Cambodia with the students who are going on this incredible trip and their families. It's a fantastic opportunity for the students and I'm sure they'll create some amazing life-long memories.

Y9 leaders



This week, a group of Y9 leaders helped to deliver a Multi-Skills Day for Y3/4 pupils at Queens Park Primary School.

Their energy, fantastic attitudes and professionalism shone throughout the event, with organisers praising them.

It gave our students the chance to develop confidence and communication while inspiring younger learners. It was a fantastic experience which showcased their leadership skills. I'm extremely proud of you. Well done!

Y5 visits

We're proud to keep building strong partnerships with local primary schools. This week, we have welcomed a number of Y5 students from Queens Park, Rivington, Merton Bank, Carr Mill, St Mary's and St Thomas and Parish into our school.

These pupils have taken part in a variety of engaging taster sessions including Animal Care, PE and Drama, offering them hands-on experience of subjects they'll encounter in high school.

I'm proud that Cowley continues to provide opportunities that inspire, connect, and prepare students at every stage of their learning journey.

Y7 Bronze Accolade



Congratulations to our latest set of Y7 students who have achieved their Bronze Accolade this week.

These students have worked work really hard since September to gain the criteria needed for the prestigious Bronze Award as part of their Cowley Experience and I'm really proud of all their hard work. Well done!

Cowley Sixth Form podcast

The latest episode of the Cowley Sixth Form student-led podcast was published this week, focusing on mental health and wellbeing at Cowley.

It is a really good listen with the students sharing their experiences and passing on some useful pieces of advice, so I'd encourage you to check it out if you have a few minutes to spare.

The links to listen can be found on the college website here: <u>https://www.cowleysixthform.</u> org.uk/sixth-form/cowley-unplugged-studentpodcast/.

Y12 BTEC Sport interviews



It was brilliant to see out Y12 BTEC Sport students in business dress to carry out mock interviews.

The interviews were part of their course and the students all looked very smart, they spoke with great confidence and they presented themselves professionally. Well done!

Arriving to school on time

As a school, we talk a lot about Professional Standards—and being on time is a key factor. It might seem like a small thing, but being punctual helps build good habits that matter now and in the future.

From Monday, 23rd June, a new punctuality system will be in place to help make sure every student gets the best possible start to their school day.

Take a look at these changes here: <u>https://www.cowley.st-helens.sch.uk/</u> <u>punctuality-at-school/</u>.

MyChildAtSchool App

A reminder that we are moving from ClassCharts to MyChildAtSchool as our new platform for behaviour and achievement tracking.

You will need to activate the account as soon as possible. We've created a guide on our website to help you get started:

https://www.cowley.st-helens.sch.uk/my-childat-school-set-up-for-parents-carers/.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Mr Cormack