

KEY EVENTS NEXT WEEK

All week

Y11 Mock Examinations

Friday, 6th December

Senior Choir – Performance at the Young Carers Concert at Ormskirk Street United Reformed Church, 6pm

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD



Congratulations to the students who were nominated for this week's Principal's Award. I'm extremely proud of you and really enjoyed meeting for breakfast yesterday to hear about their fantastic achievements.

Y12 PARENTS' EVENING

We had a fantastic turnout for Y12 Parents' Evening last night. The students are wonderful and have settled into life at sixth form really well, and it was lovely to meet all the parents and carers in attendance.

We received some wonderful feedback from parents which are available to read on page 2. Thank you.

POLITICS VISIT TO PARLIAMENT



Yesterday, our Y12 & Y13 Politics students visited the Houses of Parliament in London.

It was a fascinating insight into the day-to-day goings on in Parliament, and they met up with MP for St. Helens North, David Baines, during their visit and they were able to ask him some questions about his role in representing our town.

FREE DRIVING LESSONS



Today saw the first of our free taster driving lessons for Cowley Sixth Form students.

The first set of students received some theory training, information and advice about road safety before they stepped out into a car and did some practical training on the college grounds.

What an amazing opportunity! My thanks to the Up Driving School for coming in and offering this session for our Sixth Form students.

CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON



One of my favourite moments of the college calendar took place on Monday morning as we switched on the Christmas lights.

It is always a fantastic occasion and it's brilliant to share it with all of the Y7 students, sharing the meaning of Christmas and getting into the festive spirit.

The choir, as always, were fantastic and sang some festive songs, before the big countdown and MP for St Helens North, David Baines, was our special guest and switched the lights on. My sincere thanks go to David for taking the time to see us and perform the important duties!

RUGBY NEWS



Congratulations to our Y9 rugby team who enjoyed an impressive 26-4 victory away in Saddleworth in their first NW Counties group match earlier this week. The team played really well and scored some excellent tries. Well done!

It was also great to hear about the senior sixth form rugby team playing their first fixture of the season this week. Well done to all involved.

SEA CADET OF THE YEAR



I was delighted to hear about one of our students, Sophie, winning the prestigious Sea Cadet of the Year award for 2024.

It is a fantastic achievement, so huge congratulations, Sophie!

Y11 REHEARSAL EXAMS



Preparation is vital, and this week has seen our Y11 students start their mock examinations ahead of the all important GCSE exam season later in the academic year.

These exams are put in place so that the students know exactly what to expect in the summer and are as prepared as they can be. The rehearsal exams will continue next week.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.
Mr Cormack

Feedback comments from the survey following Y12 Parents' Evening

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- As always, the teaching and support staff are approachable and supportive. I am very grateful for the understanding and help my son receives. Thank you.
- I am very happy with my daughter's progress so far as she has become a much happier person and her confidence is growing. It was lovely that the teachers knew her and noticed her.
- My son is very happy here.
- My son feels very comfortable within the college environment and is very pleased to have come to Cowley 6th Form.
- Cowley Sixth Form is absolutely amazing! I recommend it all the time, both academically and pastorally!
- How much the school helps the students develop with life skills and the improvement of skills becoming a young person.

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