

#### MR CORMACK'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK

Monday, 11th September Y11 Ambassadors Meeting

Tuesday, 12th September Y7 Enrichment Fair

Y12/13 Nurse Cadets visit to Edge Hill

Thursday, 14th September 11-16 Open Evening

**Friday, 15th September** Y11 Ambassadors Meeting BBC Any Questions? Y7 Girls in Sport Day

We are delighted to have students back in College. Students have arrived looking smart and ready to learn. Our thanks go to parents and carers who have ensured that students meet our high standards.

It is good to hear students talking about their academic aspiration and making this year the best year. Each week I send this weekly newsletter to all parents/carers that includes student successes. I am already looking forward to sharing news of achievements with you.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Y7 and Y12 students and parents. Over this last week, it has been fantastic to see our Year 7s starting their life as Cowleians - making new friends and settling into lessons so quickly.

#### Attendance - Everyday counts

Having good attendance at school is really important. Our school target is 97%.

A student with poor attendance will fall behind in their work, feel out of the loop with friends and it will be difficult for teachers to get to know them. Please do speak with your daughter/son's year team if you need any support with attendance.

I would encourage parents and carers to contact the Year teams at the college on 01744 678 030 or by email enquiries@cowleysthelens.org.uk if you have any concerns or if you need support in getting your child to school.

#### **Exam success**





There were many wonderful GCSE and A-Level successes this year, with an overwhelming majority of students achieving their expected grades or better.

I am extremely proud of our classes of 2023 and the academic and personal achievements that they have made, not just today but over the past five/seven years. The academic aspirations we've seen have been outstanding.

To be able to celebrate with students as they open that envelope to see the outcome of all their hard work is a real privilege.

I'd like to thank staff and parents for the important role they have played in this success too in helping students achieve these fantastic results.

See our website for results day photos.

#### Kenya visit



This summer, a number of our students headed to Kenya for a month as part of a Camps International project.

During this adventure with real impact, our students worked on marine conservation and environmental projects, as well as helping a community to build a classroom. Our students saw a great deal of Kenya and found time to snorkel, hike, go on an amazing safari and to see animals in their natural habitat.

See further into this newsletter for a gallery of photos.

#### BBC Radio 4's 'Any Questions?



Next Friday (15th September), we will be hosting BBC Radio 4 and their long-running popular programme, Any Questions? at Cowley Sixth Form College.

The live broadcast is open for members of the public to attend and ask the panel of politicians, journalists and commentators a topical question.

Visit the Cowley website for the link to book a free ticket to attend.

#### Open Evening, 4.00 - 7.00pm



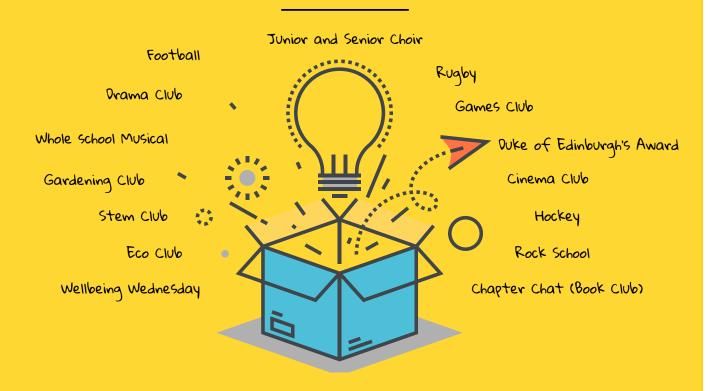
Next Thursday, we open the doors to Year 5 and Year 6 for our annual Open Evening.

We continue to be oversubscribed and our annual Open Evening is an opportunity for prospective students in Year 5 and Year 6 and their parents/carers to come into College, meet the staff, students and see our wonderful facilities.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. Mr Cormack

# YEAR 7 ENRICHMENT FAIR

Tuesday 12th September | 1:15-2:00pm | Cowley International Hall



### Y7 Enrichment Freshers Fair

There are so many extracurricular activities for students to get involved with at Cowley, there's literally something for everyone!

To help our new Year 7 students learn more about these opportunities, we have our annual Enrichment Freshers Fair at lunch time on Tuesday 12th September where students can speak to staff about these activities and sign up to get involved!

With such a wide range of clubs and activities on offer, we're sure there will be something that interests you. It's a great way to make new friends and have fun!



## Kenya photos

