



**KEY EVENTS COMING UP NEXT WEEK**

**Wednesday, 8th February**

Climb to 9 trip to Hope Academy for Study Skills session with representative from Cambridge University

**Thursday, 9th February**

English trip to see Shakespeare play The Tempest in Stratford

**Friday, 10th February**

New York trip departs

**HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS WEEK**

**Principal's Award**



Congratulations to this week's students who achieved the Principal's Award. To be chosen from a year group is a fantastic achievement and something to be very proud of.

**Year 9 Stock Market Challenge**



This week saw the Year 9 Stock Market Challenge take place in the Maths department.

The Maths corridor was a hive of activity as students kept checking the news bulletins to see if their shares were going up or down in value and working out, in the groups, whether to buy or sell.

It was a fantastic activity with students interested and engaged and I'd like to thank the Maths department for setting this up.

**UK Maths Challenge**



More than 100 of our leading mathematicians from Years 9-11 took part in the nationwide Maths Challenge in the Sports Hall on Thursday.

**Mersey Forest visitor**

I had a very productive and interesting meeting with a representative from Mersey Forest who will be helping to look at how we can best use the wonderful green space around the College site and Cowley Woods. They're looking forward to working with us on this project.

**Eco-Committee Project**

The Cowley Eco Committee have been working with Sustrans on the 'By Ours' project, which is focused on improving cycle routes and paths in the local area to encourage active travel.

We would now like to hear parents' and carers' thoughts on the pupils' design ideas. A survey can be completed at: <https://sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/cic-survey>.

**Industrial action**

I would like to thank parents and carers for their additional support on Wednesday and ensuring that the students were able to continue their learning at home. Your support is, as always, very much appreciated.

**German Exchange student visit**



Angie, a German exchange student, has been with us at Cowley this week from a school in our twin town of Stuttgart.

Angie spent time helping teach some German to our classes across all year groups, as well as completing her own study in lessons. It was a real pleasure to welcome her to Cowley and I hope she enjoyed her time with us.

**Achievement points**

This week, I was delighted to learn about the first Year 7 student to reach 1000 achievement points on Class Charts! Exceptional work, well done!

**Attendance**

There are just five days to go until the next half term break and full attendance is required every day.

It's one big push until students will get a well-earned break, so please make the most of all the learning time next week.

**New website**

We are in the process of developing a brand new website for the College, and today, it has been great to see the representative from Coda Education come in to Cowley to take some video and photographs for use on the new site.

We look forward to unveiling all the hard work in the coming days.

It has been another packed week and I'm looking forward to another one next week before the half term break.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Mr Cormack