



# CHRISTMAS AT COWLEY!



It's the most magical time of the year, and Cowley kicked off the festivities with our traditional Christmas light switch on.

Each year, we invite all Year 7 students along with pupils from our feeder primary schools, to get involved with this festive event.

The Cowley Senior Choir performed three songs before Executive Principal, Mr Sheeran, was invited to switch on the lights after a loud countdown from the students.

The Choir then performed another

song before the students went back to their lessons. If you haven't already, please check out the lovely audio clip of the Choir's performance of 'Somewhere in My Memory' on our social media channels.

We have a magnificent Christmas tree, brightly decorated, as well as an array of festive lights and our inflatable Santa Claus and Snowman!

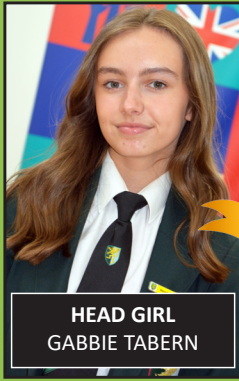
May we wish all students, parents, carers, staff and Governors a very happy and safe Christmas.

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**HEAD BOY**  
BERTIE WEST



**HEAD GIRL**  
GABBIE TABERN

2022 - 2023



**DEPUTY HEAD BOYS**  
STEFANO KAKRA  
HARVEY BLACKHURST

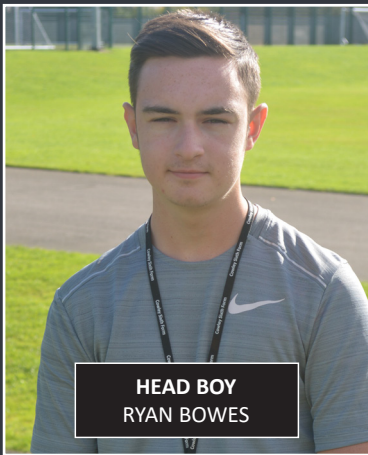


**DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS**  
SUSANNA PETERSBURSKA  
SHANNON ANDERS

### MEET OUR 2022 - 2023 HEAD BOY, HEAD GIRL, DEPUTY HEAD BOYS AND DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS

Cowley's Ambassadors are Year 11 students who have been successfully selected to represent the College, not only on a daily basis, but also on Open Evenings and at wider community events.

They are a wonderful group of willing, conscientious and enthusiastic students who are always prepared to aid and assist in College life.



**HEAD BOY**  
RYAN BOWES

2022 - 2023

# COWLEY

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## SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

### MEET OUR HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL



**HEAD GIRL**  
MAJA PETERSBURSKA

Congratulations to Ryan and Maja for being voted by their peers to be this year's Head Boy and Head Girl at Cowley Sixth Form College.

Ryan said: "I'm really proud to represent the College. It's something I wanted to do after being Deputy Head Boy at the 11-16 site."

Maja added: "I'm honoured to have been voted Head Girl. It's a privilege and I hope I don't disappoint anyone."

## PARENTS' EVENINGS 2022

### DATES FOR THE DIARY



**Year 7**  
Thursday 29th  
June

**Year 8**  
Thursday 9th  
March  
Thursday 15th  
June

**Year 9**  
Thursday 12th  
January  
Thursday 29th  
June

**Year 10**  
Thursday 23rd  
February  
Thursday 15th  
June

**Year 11**  
Thursday 2nd  
March

**Year 13**  
Thursday 2nd  
February



# Principal's Award

Each week, two students from each year group are nominated by their Head of Achievement to receive the Principal's Award. This award recognises and rewards students who have gone above and beyond to really set themselves apart.

Currently, there are more than 1,540 students at Cowley, so to be nominated is truly an achievement. We send our congratulations to all of the students who have received the Award.



## WEEK 7 NOMINATIONS

Alex, Alfie, Alfie, Amelia, Isla, Jade, Jamie, Lauren, Leon, Shannon, Thomas and Tyler.



## WEEK 8 NOMINATIONS

Bala, Caden, Carys, Charlotte, Daisy, Daniel, Dulcie, Isabel, Kacey, Malek, Polly and Victoria.



## WEEK 9 NOMINATIONS

Cameron, Connell, Dom, Elizabeth, Joel, Kaitlin, Kassie, Leon, Lexie, Lucy and Sophie.



## WEEK 10 NOMINATIONS

Amber, Callan, Cara, Joe, Josh, Lewis, Lia, Shauna, Skye and Terrell.



## WEEK 11 NOMINATIONS

Jaden, Jasmine, Kaitlyn, Keiron, Lily, Lucas, Melissa, Oscar and Paris.



## COWLEY REMEMBERS



On Armistice Day, 11th November, a two-minute silence was impeccably observed in College as a mark of respect to all those who lost their lives in battle.

In our annual memorial service, Mr Cormack read a poem and said a prayer before three Poppy Wreaths were laid by Head Boy, Bertie, and Head Girl, Gabbie, and one of our Cadets at the Cowley Memorial Wall.

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:*

*Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*

## YEAR 10 CAREERS FAIR

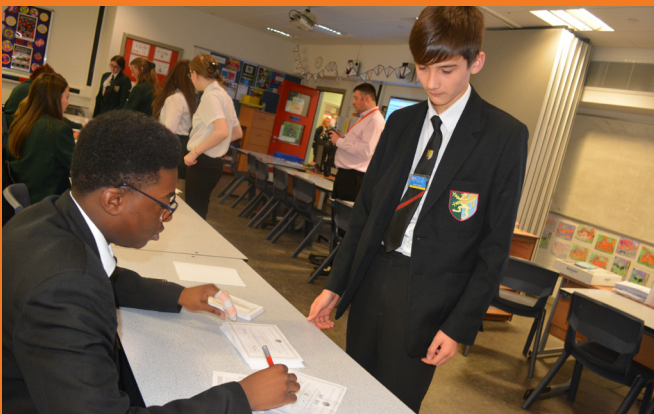


This half term saw our Year 10 Careers Fair take place, with sixth form colleges, universities, employers and apprenticeship providers coming into College to offer advice, information and support to our students as they begin to think about what they'd like to do in the future.

The event was also opened up to other year groups during lunch time, as well as to parents and carers after college, and it was great to see so many take up this opportunity.

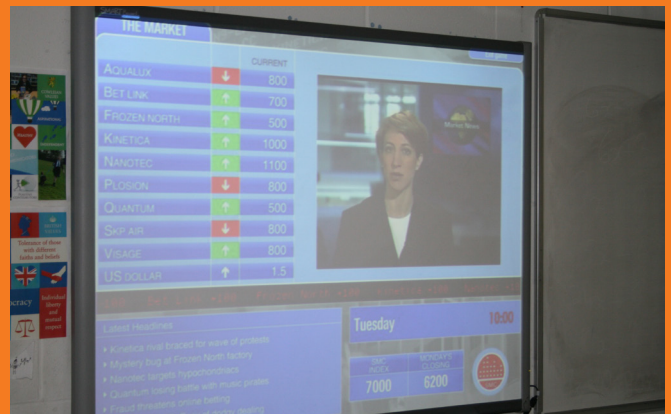
We have received some excellent feedback from our exhibitors, many of whom commented on the politeness and positive attitudes of our students.

## STUDENTS ENJOY THE STOCK MARKET CHALLENGE!



Over the course of two days, Year 10 took part in a Stock Market Challenge, whereby they are separated into teams, allocated a sum of money with the aim to buy and sell shares with the winning team being the one which makes the most money.

There was a great buzz on the maths corridor during this event, with students racing from one classroom to another to buy and sell their shares,



with constant newsflashes being reported on the screens with details of whether share prices were going up or down.

There were some rogue traders trying to get in on the act and make themselves some money on the corridors, giving tips if any students wanted to run the risk of getting involved with illegal activity!

It was a really fun event!



## MATHS INSPIRATION SHOW

On Thursday, 10th November, 19 students from Year 11 attended the Maths Inspiration Show in Manchester.

This event aims to give 14-17 year olds a chance to experience the UK's most inspiring maths speakers presenting mathematics in the context of exciting, real-world applications.

On the visit, Mrs Lloyd, Maths Teacher, said: "All of our students were outstanding, both in their behaviour and engagement. They conducted themselves maturely, were impressively attentive throughout and actively joined in trying to fathom all the 'puzzles' set.

"I am so proud of them all and proud to represent Cowley amongst the 40 or so schools in attendance.

"Overall, they were true Cowleians - Independent, Considerate, Positive Contributors, and truly aspirational."

## STUDENTS REPRESENTED AT GOVERNING BODY MEETING



Representatives from the Cowley Student Voice alongside our Head Boy, Head Girl (both 11-16 and Sixth Form) and Deputies attended a Governing Body meeting this half term to discuss a number of different topics and bring up some ideas that they'd like to implement in College.

All the students spoke confidently and impressed the Governors with their positive attitudes and ideas for the College.

Well done, everyone!

## STUDENT VOICE ATTEND ST HELENS YOUTH COUNCIL EVENT



Members of the Cowley Student Voice went to St Helens Town Hall for an event led by St Helens Youth Council.

Before the event started, there was an ice breaker to try and build the tallest tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows.

The students then attended four workshops on education, poverty and inequality, community safety and mental health with guest speakers including the Mayor and Daniel Fox Foundation.

## LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT EVENT



A number of Year 10 and 11 students recently visited the University of Liverpool to learn more about studying languages at university.

The students were given a tour of the Languages department within the university campus before getting involved with a number of activities to give them a little taste of what it would be like to study languages in higher education.

Our students participated really well and were highly praised by the university staff for their language skills. Well done!

# Student OF THE MONTH

Every month, Cowley Sixth Form staff are asked to nominate students who have done well for our 'Student of the Month' awards.

Congratulations to:

## Paris, Year 12

Nominated for Geography, Paris is working extremely hard and constantly wants to better herself which we have seen in study, too. She works in the Study Area during most of her free periods and puts extra work and effort in to improve on essay grades she knows she could do better in

second time around.

## Shane, Year 13

Nominated for Ethics, Philosophy & Religion, Sociology and Supervised Study, Shane has chosen to work in the Study Area during all his free periods so that he does not waste any time and can get his head down to complete work and revision, as well as seeking individual support from staff at lunch time. He is currently completing his application to go into primary teaching and so is striving to make a positive future for himself.

## COWLEY SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN



Apply Online

[COWLEY.ST-HELENS.SCH.UK/SIXTH-FORM](http://COWLEY.ST-HELENS.SCH.UK/SIXTH-FORM)





# SPOTLIGHT

ON SUBJECTS THAT WE OFFER AT SIXTH FORM

We've listed the A-level and BTEC courses available at Cowley Sixth Form College below. Details about each course can be found on our website and in our new 2023 Prospectus.

Students can study A-Levels, BTECs or a combination of the two.

## A-LEVEL SUBJECTS

Art and Design  
Biology  
Chemistry  
English Language  
English Literature  
Ethics, Philosophy and Religion  
French/German/Spanish  
Further Mathematics  
Geography  
History  
Law  
Mathematics  
Physical Education  
Photography  
Physics  
Politics  
Psychology  
Sociology

## BTEC SUBJECTS

Animal Care  
Art And Design: Fashion and Graphics  
Business  
Children's Play, Learning and Development  
Computing  
Construction (includes work placement)  
Creative Digital Media Production  
Creative Digital Media - Film and Video  
Criminology  
Engineering  
Games Development  
Health and Social Care  
Music Performance  
Professional Musical Theatre  
Nursing Cadetship (includes work placement)  
Science  
Sports Coaching and Development  
Travel and Tourism  
Uniformed Protective Services



## How to apply

There are two ways to apply:

1. Complete a paper application form (you can request an application form by calling us on 01744 678 030). Once completed, return to Cowley Sixth Form College.
2. Apply online. You can complete your application to join Cowley Sixth Form online, go to: [cowley.st-helens.sch.uk/sixth-form](http://cowley.st-helens.sch.uk/sixth-form)

## SIXTH FORM FUNDRAISING



Cowley Sixth Form students raised an amazing £286.37 for BBC Children in Need with a marketplace set up in Cowley Hall during break time.

Each tutor group had a stall for fundraising with activities such as guess the number of sweets in the jar, face painting and a World Cup sweepstake taking place.

There was a lovely atmosphere in the Hall for the event, so well done to all the students involved and thank you for your generosity. A great sum was raised in just 20 minutes!

## CONSTRUCTION PLACEMENT



Our Year 12 Construction students are out on work placements for a couple of days a week as part of their course at Cowley Sixth Form and have been working with local construction companies.

This gives them some invaluable work experience to go alongside some of the practical work and study they complete in College for the rest of the week.

The student photographed told us: "I am enjoying being on site. So far, I have tried bricklaying and joinery - it's very hands-on!"

## SIXTH FORM CLASS OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to our Year 13 A-Level Art students who were voted by staff as Class of the Month.

The class were put forward as they have worked incredibly hard since the start of term, with lots of work going into producing an exhibition at The Millennium Centre.

The group also did some fantastic work in designing the set for our recent whole college musical, Beauty and the Beast.

Well done!

## LIPA SERVICE



Students from Cowley Sixth Form's popular Professional Musical Theatre course recently visited the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts (LIPA).

Following a guided tour of the facilities, they settled down to enjoy a performance of Footloose from LIPA's third year dance students.

It was an inspiring visit for the students, many of whom wish to go into performing arts at higher education and beyond, so it was a great opportunity to get a glimpse of what they might go on to experience further down the line.



## FOODBANK COLLECTIONS



The Cowley Student Voice launched their St Helens Foodbank Christmas Appeal to help those in need at this time of year.

Cowley has run several collections for St Helens Foodbanks over the past few years, and we are continuously overwhelmed by the generosity of our students and their families in support of this great cause.

Donations have been coming in thick and fast since the initiative got underway and we will be delivering the full collection to the Foodbank in the final week of term.

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



As proud members of the Anti-Bullying Alliance, Cowley once again got involved with Anti-Bullying Week.

Students and staff were invited to wear odd socks on the opening day of the week to celebrate what makes us all unique.

In addition to this, there were a number of activities taking place in the mornings during Team Time while students also renewed their Anti-Bullying Pledge.

## SAVE THE PLANET WEEK



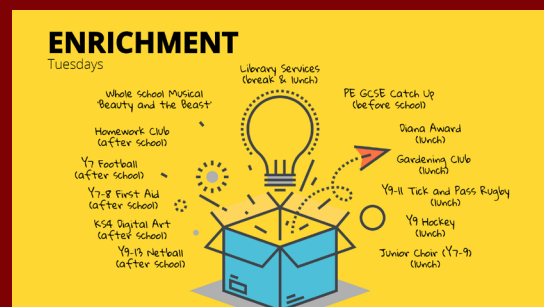
Unifrog's Save The Planet Week took place during November and Cowley got involved and did our bit.

Students took part in a litter pick around the college grounds and had the opportunity to make a bug hotel at the school allotment.

During lunch time, there was a screening of a film called 'Life on Earth in 2081' which was well attended.

The Eco Committee are getting involved with Unifrog's nationwide competition by creating a carbon footprint reduction plan for the College.

## GET INVOLVED WITH ENRICHMENT!



We are proud of our extracurricular enrichment programme here at Cowley with tens of different activities for students to get involved with outside of lesson times every half term!

From sport to science, from maths to movies, there is something for everyone, so we would encourage students and their families to check out the full range of activities and get involved.

You can find the full timetable of enrichment activities on the College website, while students can also check out the screens around College which provide information of what's happening and when.