

What's on next Week

Monday 1st - Thursday 4th December

Y9 History Trip to Battlefields, France

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Christmas Light Switch on (Atrium, for students)

Thursday 4th December

Y11 Rugby Fixture – (Away)

Principal's Award



Congratulations to the students who were put forward for the Principal's Award this week. To be put forward is a remarkable achievement and one to be celebrated. Very well done to these students.

Cowley Gold



I am delighted to share that on Wednesday we celebrated our latest Cowley Gold award recipients. Cowley Gold is our special way of recognising students who have produced an outstanding piece of work that reflects real effort, creativity, and determination.

It is always a pleasure to see such excellence across our school, and I could not be prouder of

the students who were nominated.

Book Buzz



On Thursday, we held our much-loved annual event, Book Buzz, when our Year 7 students are invited to choose a book to call their own — a way to spark a lifelong love of reading. I had the great pleasure, alongside our Governor Mrs Bellis, of handing out the books to each of our new Year 7 students.

It was a joy to see so many young faces light up as they collected their chosen book. I firmly believe that reading is one of the greatest gifts we can give our students, and I hope every Book Buzz book is enjoyed and even shared with friends once read.

Y11 Parents' Eve Reminder

Year 11 Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday 11th December. Bookings are now open for you to make appointments with class teachers via MCAS. If you do not have a login for MCAS, please do get in touch with the main office as soon as possible.

Helping to keep each other healthy

As we move into the time of year when seasonal illnesses, such as coughs, colds and tummy bugs tend to circulate more often, we encourage students to take a few simple steps to help everyone stay healthy. One of the easiest and most effective habits is regular hand washing with soap and water—especially before eating, after using shared equipment, and after coughing or sneezing.

We would appreciate your support in reminding students of these small daily routines. Together, we can help keep our school community feeling its best throughout the season.

Extreme Reading Challenge

As someone who enjoys reading a good book, I'm delighted to share a wonderful opportunity for our students this Christmas break.

Mrs Cunliffe, our Literacy Co-ordinator, is launching a completely optional but very fun challenge called Extreme Read.

The idea is simple: Students are invited to take a photograph of themselves reading in an unusual or creatively chosen place. It might be funny, surprising, or simply imaginative — the joy is in seeing where a good book can take us.

There will be prizes for the best entries, and I'm very much looking forward to seeing the inventive ways our students combine reading with a bit of seasonal fun.

More details will be shared as we approach the end of term, for now, see image below for more.

Food and Uniform Donations



We have dedicated uniform and food donation points in the main reception area. Families can drop off PE kits and all other parts of the school uniform, along with non-perishable food items, during office hours. All donations will go directly to supporting students and families in need.

Finally, I would like to wish our students who are heading on the Battlefield trip a safe journey. We will share any photos taken.

Wishing you all a safe weekend. Mr Cormack





THE COUNTDOWN IS ON! THERE IS A LOT TO LOOK FORWARD TO!

LAST DAY CELEBRATIONS - 19TH DECEMBER



Masked Singer
Celebration Assemblies
Attendance Prize Draw

