

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK:

- We welcome our new Cowleians
- Y6 induction
- Y10 taster day at Cowley Sixth Form (Monday)
- Y6 Parents' Evening (Tuesday)
- Y11 Prom (Wednesday)
- Y13 Leavers' Celebration (Friday)
- Y9 German Trip to Black Forest, Stuttgart (30th June – 4th July)

As we come through this recent spell of very warm weather, I want to take a moment to sincerely thank our whole school community. I have been incredibly impressed by the commitment and resilience shown by our students, who have continued to engage positively with their learning despite the challenging conditions.

Equally, the whole team here have worked tirelessly to ensure that the school remains a calm, supportive and focused environment for all.

Full uniform next week

To help keep students comfortable, we relaxed our uniform expectations this week and allowed PE kit. From next week, we will be returning to full school uniform, including blazer and tie.

Principal's Award



I would also like to congratulate our Principal's Award winners, who were celebrated with a special breakfast with Miss Barry on Thursday. It was a lovely occasion and a well-deserved recognition of the positive contribution they make to our school community.

Y11 Leavers' Assembly



Our Y11 Leavers' Assembly was a truly special moment this week. It was wonderful to see so many smiles and to witness the genuine warmth and gratitude our students showed towards staff. It was a fitting way to mark the end of their journey with us and to celebrate all they have achieved.

Thank you also to parents for the kind and thoughtful messages we have received—they mean a great deal to us. We are very much looking forward to seeing Y11 again on Wednesday for their prom, which promises to be a fantastic evening of celebration.

Sixth Form Taster Day



Earlier this week, we were delighted to welcome Y10 students from De La Salle, Hope Academy and Outwood Academy to Cowley Sixth Form College for a Taster Day.

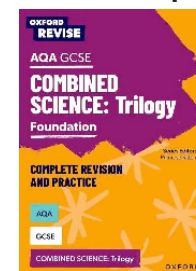
They began with a presentation from our Head of Sixth Form, Mr Watkins, before enjoying a range of taster lessons in their chosen subjects. It was also lovely to see them making the most of the sunshine, spending time together with music, games and other activities. Our Y10 students will head over to Sixth Form for their taster day on Monday.

Progression Week



Our Y12 students have had a fantastic Progression Week. They have taken part in mock interviews, heard from employers and apprenticeship providers, and explored higher education options during our "universities in the hall" event. Towards the end of the week, many students completed placements across the borough. It has been great to see them embrace these opportunities as they begin to plan their next steps.

Science Dept message for Y11:



"Hello to our lovely Y11 leavers. We hope you are enjoying a well-earned rest. If you have a spare five minutes, please could you pop back

to the school office to return your science revision guide—we would appreciate it. We miss you already!"

Y6 transition week

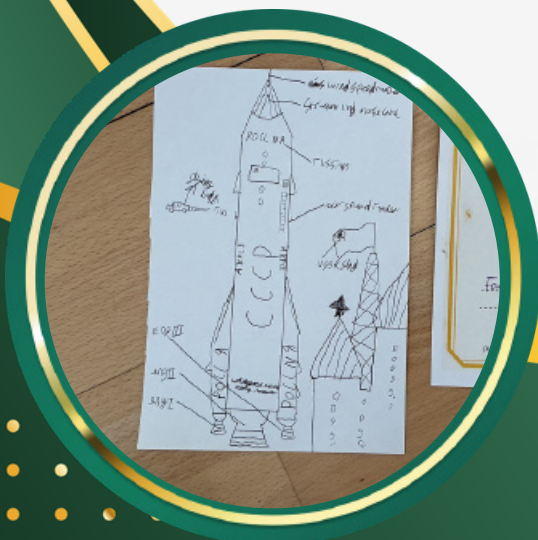
We are really looking forward to welcoming our Y6 students next week for Transition Week. It will be a fantastic opportunity for them to experience taster lessons, meet staff, learn about clubs and enrichment opportunities, find their way around the school, and begin making new friendships.

Stay Safe

We encourage everyone to take care—stay hydrated and look out for one another. Please do continue to speak with your children about keeping safe, particularly around open water.



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OPEN WATER: DON'T TAKE THE RISK



Swimming in or playing near rivers and canals may seem like a great idea, particularly on a warm day, but it could all end in tragedy. **DON'T take the risk.**



THE WATER IS COLD...

...even on very warm days, rivers and canals contain water barely above 10 degrees. Sudden immersion can lead to cold water shock, which can cause gasping and intake of water.

This can be deadly in a matter of seconds.

DID YOU KNOW?

Even the narrowest of rivers can be considerably deep. Rivers are subject to strong flow and **hidden currents** which can trouble even the strongest of swimmers.



WHAT LIES BENEATH?


The water is untreated and can make you ill.

Canals and rivers contain pollutants, sewage and often unseen underwater obstructions and snag hazards.




Debris under the water such as shopping trolleys, broken glass and cans can cause **injury** or **trap** you.

Remember, there are no lifeguards to help you at your local river, lake, canal or dam.



Rivers can be very difficult to climb out of, especially with steep or slimy banks. **Stay clear of rivers with steep or unguarded banks.**



IN AN EMERGENCY...NEVER enter the water to try and help a person or animal. You could get into difficulty yourself. Instead, dial 999 and use any water rescue equipment that is available.

If you fall into the water unexpectedly, fight your instinct to thrash around. Instead, lean back, extend your arms and legs & float.



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