COWLEY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

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MY LOCAL AWARDS 2026

We are thrilled to announce that Cowley has been nominated for Secondary School of the Year in the Merseyside My Local Awards.

This nomination reflects the hard work and dedication of our students, staff, parents and wider community.

If you would like to support us, please cast your vote here: https://mylocalawards.co.uk/businesses/cowley-international-college/?award=secondary-school-of-the-year

Upcoming Events

Pod Week
W/C 23rd November

Year 11 MFL speaking exams
All week

Bookbuzz - Year 7
Starts next week

Inset Day
Friday 27th November

A fantastic Sixth Form Open Evening





It was a pleasure to welcome so many students and their families into Cowley Sixth Form last night. Cowley Hall was buzzing throughout the evening, with subject teams sharing information about courses, enrichment opportunities and life as a sixth form student.

Events like these provide an excellent opportunity for families to experience first-hand the supportive and ambitious environment that makes our sixth form such a wonderful place to learn and grow.

I would like to thank all those who attended, as well as our exceptional Sixth Form Student Ambassadors. Their pride in the sixth form shone through as they guided families around the site.

Applications are now open, and we hope that current Year 11 students will see Cowley Sixth Form as the right place to continue their journey. Apply now

Sixth Form Students Raise Money for Children in Need



Our Sixth Form students showed fantastic creativity while raising money for Children in Need earlier today.

Each form took on the challenge of organising their own fundraising activity, with events including cake sales, quizzes, a human fruit machine, karaoke, a paper aeroplane challenge and even the chance to throw a wet sponge at members of staff!

A huge thank you to everyone who organised, supported and took part.

Merseyside Police visit as part of Operation Prospect





On Wednesday, we welcomed colleagues from Merseyside Police into school as part of Operation Prospect, an initiative which has now reached more than 50 schools across the region.

Through a series of assemblies, students heard important messages around personal safety, making positive choices and understanding the risks associated with knife and gun crime. The ambition of Merseyside Police is the same as that of parents and school staff: to ensure that young people are safe, informed and equipped to make choices that protect both themselves and others.

While we hope that our students never encounter these issues personally, we recognise the importance of education and prevention. By having open, honest conversations and providing accurate information, we can help young people make safe and responsible decisions.

We were particularly pleased to receive some wonderful feedback from the visiting officers, who said:

“It was genuinely a really good day. The pupils were engaged, respectful and a credit to both themselves and the school. That is undoubtedly a testament to the culture, standards and hard work of you and your staff team.”

This praise reflects the character of our students and the dedication of our staff, and I would like to thank Merseyside Police for taking the time to visit Cowley and deliver such important messages.

Every Day in School Matters

Strong attendance remains one of the most significant factors in student success. Every lesson counts, and even small amounts of missed learning can quickly have an impact on progress, confidence and achievement.

We ask parents and carers, wherever possible, to arrange medical and other appointments outside of the school day. We appreciate that this is not always achievable and fully understand that some appointments can only be scheduled during school hours. Where this is necessary, please notify the school in advance by telephone, email, a note from home or by providing an appointment letter or card.

Students should attend school before their appointment wherever possible and return to lessons afterwards, ensuring they are present both prior to and following the appointment. This helps to minimise disruption to their education and ensures they continue to benefit from as much learning time as possible.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maximise attendance and ensure every student has the best opportunity to succeed.

Celebrating our students achievements from the week







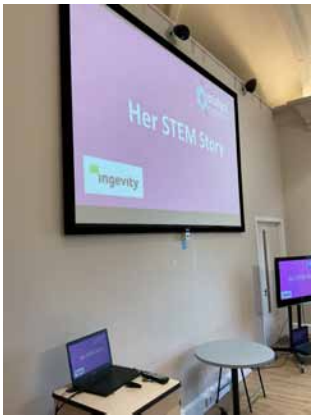
On Monday, students and staff across Cowley proudly wore odd socks to mark the beginning of Anti-Bullying Week 2026.

While it may seem like a simple gesture, Odd Socks Day carries a powerful message: we are all different, and those differences should be celebrated.

At Cowley, we are committed to creating a community where every child feels accepted, included and valued for who they are.

I am proud of the way our students embrace opportunities like this and continue to demonstrate the values that make Cowley such a caring and supportive school community.

Inspiring Future STEM Leaders at Catalyst Museum









Last Friday, a group of Year 8 students had the exciting opportunity to attend the Her STEM Story event at the Catalyst Science Discovery Centre and Museum in Widnes.

The event brought together four inspirational female speakers from a range of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) careers. Students heard first-hand accounts of the different pathways that had led each speaker into their profession, the challenges they had overcome and the achievements they had celebrated along the way. Their stories highlighted the wide variety of opportunities available within STEM industries and demonstrated that there is no single route to success.

Our students were excellent ambassadors for Cowley throughout the day, listening attentively and engaging thoughtfully with the presentations.

Events such as these are invaluable in helping young people broaden their horizons and gain a greater understanding of the exciting careers that may be available to them in the future.

Alongside the presentations, students were able to explore the museum's interactive galleries, taking part in a range of hands-on exhibits that brought science, engineering and innovation to life. The combination of inspiring speakers and practical experiences made for a highly engaging day.

We are incredibly grateful to the team at Catalyst for hosting such a fantastic event and providing our students with the opportunity to learn from successful women working across STEM industries.

We hope the experience has encouraged many of our students to consider the exciting possibilities that STEM subjects can offer.

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