

Cowley Academy

Head of School

Friday 9th September 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to Cowley Academy to all students, parents and carers. As a staff team we are thrilled to have students back in school this week and are very excited for the year ahead. Students have been fantastic, an excellent atmosphere and have embraced the positive changes. It has been an incredible first week back!

As part of providing House identity and increased opportunities to be rewarded we have introduced five Heads of House who are:

Bass House	Cowley House	Banks House	Swift House	Flinders House
Miss Earth	Miss Pratt	Mrs Millard	Mr Brader	Mr Roberts

All students have been allocated a House. As well as Year Group Assemblies there will also be House Assemblies. Events during the year will be taking place with more information to follow throughout the year! Students have been given a badge to show which House they are in and are expected to wear the badge every day.

We have been very impressed with all Year 7 students – they are very friendly, helpful and super organised plus thank you to all Year 7 parents for the positive support received for this first week. If you do have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the Pastoral Year Lead for Year 7, Mrs Gray via her email address: suzan.gray@cowleyacademy.org.uk

Next Thursday, we will be holding the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust Upper School Rewards Evening at Springfields Events & Conference Centre in Spalding. This will be a fantastic evening which will see our Trust celebrate the excellent Year 11 results that have been received this summer across our Trust schools.

We are holding our annual Open Evening on Tuesday 11th October 2022 from 5.30pm to 8.00pm for students in Years 4 to 6. If you do know any families that may have children in these year groups please support the school and help us spread the good word about the rapid improvement at the school and the incredible summer results students have recently achieved! We will also be looking for student ambassadors to help support departments and represent the school as tour guides, please put this date in your diary if your child will be interested in helping at this event.



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As mentioned on our new school website, there are opportunities through the Cowley's Endowed Schools Foundation for former students to apply for educational grants.

Level 1 (Post-18 years of age)

- Those studying for Degree and HND qualifications at establishments of higher education would receive an educational grant of £450.

Level 2 (Post-16 years of age)

- Those studying for all other qualifications and certificates, for example, BTech Diplomas, A-Levels, NVQ's, Apprenticeships would receive an educational grant of £200.

Thank you for your support this week particularly with ensuring your child is in the correct uniform and well prepared for the return to school. Our last day of the first term is Friday 21st October 2022 with the school day finishing at 3.15pm.

Finally, it was with great sadness that we heard our Queen had died peacefully yesterday, 8th September 2022, surrounded by her children and family members. Having been such a personal inspiration to so many, with her devotion to duty being an example to us all, we have ensured that we shared an appropriate message about this sad news with all students in registration this morning and will be holding some remembrance assemblies in the coming days.

Her Majesty the Queen's long record of public service is unparalleled in our nation's history. Throughout her remarkable reign, the Queen led us through great transformations with unfailing grace, wisdom, dignity and genuine care for the welfare of all. In sunshine or storm, she demonstrated kindness, courage, warmth, serenity and strength, as well as considerable humour and charm. The nation owes her a deep debt of gratitude for her unwavering devotion to the United Kingdom and to the Commonwealth.

Our thoughts need to be with the royal family at this sad time.

As you will already know, the announcement of the Queen's death will mark the start of national mourning that will continue until the end of the official State Funeral. The DfE have this evening communicated that all Schools will remain open during this period of national mourning. Buckingham Palace will release the final official arrangements for the funeral in the coming days and I will communicate any further information to all students, staff and parents/carers once details are confirmed that may impact on any school activities or events.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Glenn Martin

Head of School, Cowley Academy

For the **latest news**

We have launched a new website (www.cowleyacademy.org.uk) to keep you better informed.

You can also follow Cowley Academy on our official social media platforms as follows:

- www.instagram.com/CowleyAcademy
- www.facebook.com/CowleyAcademy
- www.twitter.com/CowleySLAT

Upcoming key dates



Prospective students in years 4 to 6
and their parents are invited to our

Open Evening



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