

Cowley Academy

Head of School

Friday 21st October 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

I cannot believe we are already at the end of our first term of this academic year. Time has just flown by! All of our students have settled into the school routine so well and without fuss, and are challenging themselves to take part in the opportunities we have had on offer this term. Our newest students, our Year 7s, have settled in really successfully, and already feel part of our school family. Our Year 11 students are working really hard as they start to accelerate towards their mock examinations in Term 2.

During House assemblies we have launched the 'ASPIRE' card to provide another layer to our reward system. ASPIRE stands for:

- Aiming high
- Supporting others and being kind
- Positive, tolerant and respectful behaviour
- Showing initiative
- Exhibit resilience, displaying excellent teamwork
- Helping the community
- Being an Academy ambassador
- Acting as a role model
- Doing the right thing

There will be a prize draw at the end of each term as well as other rewards at other times when we will recognise our fantastic students and the contributions they make to school life and to that of our community. We believe that it is important to recognise the commitment and participation of our students in all that they do, not just their work in the classroom.

Thank you to all of the parents in Year 10 who last night attended the inaugural 'How To Succeed at GCSE' evening. We will of course continue to provide huge support to our Key Stage 4 students studying their GCSEs.

On Wednesday, Mrs Barber (Careers & Aspirations Lead) provided information to Year 11 on the opportunities that are available to them at the Bourne Academy Sixth Form for post-16 education. A reminder is that the Bourne Academy Sixth Form Open Evening is on Thursday 17th November 2022 from 6.00pm to 8.00pm and is open to Year 10 and 11 students and parents/carers.



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We are always looking at ways to improve communication and ways of working between the school and our students, parents and carers. With this in mind we are in the process of embedding a new app, 'Show My Homework', which will replace the 'Classcharts' system we have been using for a number of years. We will provide further information next term when we launch the new app.


Year 7 students have started to use Accelerated Reader, with introductions taking place in the Library. Accelerated Reader is just one strand in our strategy to support students with their literacy skills and we encourage students to maintain their reading over the holiday break!

On Friday 14th October 2022 we took a team of 44 students to the South Lincolnshire Cross Country Championships. All students performed brilliantly, showing excellent determination. The standout performance was Emily D who finished 9th in a field of over 100 students – what an achievement!

I wish everyone a happy, safe and restful half term break.

We come back to school on Monday 31st October 2022.

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



Years 10 & 11 from all schools in the local area are welcome to our

SIXTH FORM Open Evening

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 17th November 2022
6.00pm to 8.00pm

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