



COWLEY  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Happy New Year and I hope you have had a lovely Christmas. We have welcomed the students back, who look refreshed and eager to learn.

Our attendance is at National Average which is a positive step, but continues to be a focus for the school as we have the potential to do much better. It is evident that good school attendance provides the best chances of positive GCSE outcomes. The skills and knowledge that you learn at school will help you now and in later life. We are preparing our students for life beyond school in preparation for employment.

We will also be focusing on students completing homework this term now with the introduction of 'Show My Homework'. To support our students we have Homework lunchtime club, and encourage all parents/carers to log into the app to support your child.

This week we have had Year assemblies and students who no negatives on their Strike Cards were in the draw with the prize to receive a £15 voucher. All students have now received new Strike and ASPIRE cards for this term.

A letter from Mr Tom Martin, SLAT Executive Deputy Headteacher has been sent out regarding the scheduled flu vaccinations, which are taking place at Cowley Academy for students in Years 7, 8 and 9 who have parental consent on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The consent letters were issued last summer and many parents did give consent at that time. However, we recognize that some parents did not feel it necessary at the time but would now wish for their child to be vaccinated. Therefore, we have re-sent the vaccination consent letter in a separate email.

A reminder that Year 11 Parents Evening is on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023, with the letter to book to see your teachers being sent next week which will be an important opportunity to reflect and set targets in preparation for the summer GCSE examinations. Please note that this is an online event. We are encouraging the students to attend the interventions and revision sessions that are taking place at lunchtimes and after school. As Mrs Shephard mentioned in the Year 11 assembly this week that every day now counts and maximise the opportunities. The Year 11 will be starting the National Tutoring Programme next week which we know will provide an opportunity for a focused approach of intervention and revision.

Year 11 3D Art students were fortunate to have a workshop on Wednesday on 'Paper Lantern Project' which was led by Mrs Wilson, HUB Lead for Art and Head of Department at Bourne Academy. This is



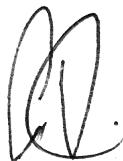
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another example of the benefits of being part of the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust and the further opportunities our young people are provided.

We encourage all parents/carers to sign up to our social media platforms which will keep you up to date on the latest news and events that are taking place at the school.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Glenn Martin**

Head of School, Cowley Academy

## For the **latest news**

We have launched a new website ([www.cowleyacademy.org.uk](http://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](https://www.instagram.com/CowleyAcademy)
- [www.facebook.com/CowleyAcademy](https://www.facebook.com/CowleyAcademy)
- [www.twitter.com/CowleySLAT](https://www.twitter.com/CowleySLAT)