



COWLEY  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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 what is going to be an incredible academic year.

There will be many positive news stories and activities happening at the school throughout the academic year that we like to share on our social media platforms. I do encourage you to follow Cowley Academy on our official platforms:

- [www.instagram.com/CowleyAcademy](http://www.instagram.com/CowleyAcademy)
- [www.facebook.com/CowleyAcademy](http://www.facebook.com/CowleyAcademy)
- [www.twitter.com/CowleySLAT](http://www.twitter.com/CowleySLAT)

There is also a wealth of important information on our school website - [www.cowleyacademy.org.uk](http://www.cowleyacademy.org.uk) including term dates, uniform expectations and safeguarding information. Please take your time to view our website where you can find important parent/carer news.

Our House Structure is an important part to our school provision. Our Heads of House for this academic year are:



**Banks House**  
Ms Millard



**Bass House**  
Miss Earth



**Cowley House**  
Miss Pratt



**Flinders House**  
Miss Lake



**Swift House**  
Mr Brader

Next Thursday, we will be holding the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust Upper School Awards 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.



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I would like to extend a special welcome to our new Year 7 students. They have embraced their new secondary school journey with us this week. I have seen tears of joy and laughter (and some nervous tears!). This is all part of their new journey with us. Our new Year 7 students have certainly left an impression on our school already. My thanks go out to our Year 7 parents/carers for working with us to make this transition smooth for our new students. We have been very impressed with all Year 7 students – they are very friendly, helpful and super organised.

As a school we continually aim to improve our communication and a reminder of the following email addresses to ensure that parents and carers can contact the right person, dependent on the enquiry.


- [Year7@cowleyacademy.org.uk](mailto:Year7@cowleyacademy.org.uk)
- [Year8@cowleyacademy.org.uk](mailto:Year8@cowleyacademy.org.uk)
- [Year9@cowleyacademy.org.uk](mailto:Year9@cowleyacademy.org.uk)
- [Year10@cowleyacademy.org.uk](mailto:Year10@cowleyacademy.org.uk)
- [Year11@cowleyacademy.org.uk](mailto:Year11@cowleyacademy.org.uk)

As mentioned during the summer term, we have reviewed our banned items list for our Trust and we feel now is the right time to ban students bringing into school any item that would be classed as a bladed item, which will include students own scissors and pencil sharpeners. All classrooms are in the process of having a desk mounted pencil sharpener for students to access and we will provide other items needed for lessons (i.e. scissors as required). We feel this change is necessary to support our safeguarding measures.

As the Head of School, I have been visiting lessons to ensure we maintain our high standards of teaching and learning. It is a pleasure to see all of our students eager to learn and engaging fully in all lessons. Despite it being the school holidays, our site has been alive with developments for our students to enjoy this academic year, which includes key areas being redecorated. We will continue to improve and develop our site to provide the best opportunities for our young people.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Glenn Martin**

Head of School, Cowley Academy

## Upcoming key dates



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

# Open Evening

**Tuesday 26th September 2023**  
5.30pm to 8.00pm

**SAVE THE DATE**



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For students in years 10 and 11 who are considering their post-16 options, Bourne Academy Sixth Form will also have a separate Open Evening in November 2023.



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

# SIXTH FORM Open Evening

**Thursday 9th November 2023**  
6.00pm to 8.00pm

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## For the latest news

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