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# Head of School

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

On Thursday, a group of STEM students took part in a collaborative STEM challenge called the 'Faraday Challenge', which is run by the Institution of Engineering & Technology (IET). Bourne Academy kindly hosted the event where all four schools in our Trust took part. The challenge was based on a practical problem-solving activity that required the students to work in small teams and then present their prototypes. This gave the students the opportunity to research, design and solve genuinely tough engineering problems. The team from Giles Academy was the winning team, it was a very close and a very tough decision on the judges part! Well done to all our students who represented Cowley Academy.



This has been an important week for our Year 9 students as they have been focusing on their Key Stage 4 option choices. Over this past week, students have been using the time to watch a variety of subject videos to ascertain more detail of what the various courses consist of. Please can I remind parents/carers and students that the Options Form which you have been sent must be completed by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024.

We have continued to support our Year 11 students who have sat a variety of practical exams. This week, GCSE Art students have sat their exams and the feedback has been very positive. It is important for our Year 11 to continue to access all of the resources provided.

Attendance this week has once again been fantastic, as always, thank you to everyone for supporting your child attending school – with some year groups over 93% this week it has been a brilliant start to Term 5.



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Our Year 10 students have completed their PPE examinations this week. I would like to praise our Year 10 students on their fantastic attitude when completing their exams.

As always, please refer to our school website and social media pages for further details and photos.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Glenn Martin**

Head of School, Cowley Academy

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