



COWLEY  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Thank you for your support on our upcoming practice of our Trust's lockdown procedure. As part of our commitment to safeguarding students in line with the national advice for all schools, we will be practicing our lockdown procedure over the summer term. I would like to remind parents our lockdown procedure is in place as a precaution only, but it is important that it is tested regularly, as we would a Fire Evacuation Procedure. We will ensure that parents and carers receive a communication from the school prior to the lockdown procedure drill taking place. This will be an announced drill. On Thursday, students all had an assembly delivered to them about the processes and procedure, in readiness for the practice drill.

We have now held our final whole year group examination for Year 11 students this afternoon. I would like to congratulate all Year 11 students on their approach to the summer examination series. There have been many smiles following the exams with students feeling positive, relieved and content that their hard work and commitment to their revision has finally come to an end. I would like to wish all Year 11 students a safe, happy and healthy extended summer period and for those attending the Prom, I am looking forward to celebrating the end of an era with them. Our students have had solid examinations for four weeks now, and they certainly deserve to be nearing the end of their journey.

With this in mind, we are going to start our transition for our other year groups. From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024, our year groups will be introduced to their new Year Leads in their assemblies. Our pastoral team are working to share information on their current year groups, so the transition is smooth. Mrs Gray (Year 7 Lead) will continue their work with the local primary schools to ensure our new Year 7 students are ready and excited to join Cowley Academy in September 2024. Mrs Gray and Mrs White have already visited many of our local primary schools to meet our new students. I look forward to meeting them on our Year 6 induction day on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Your child's new Year Leads are as follows:

- Current Year 7 will transition to **Miss Jones**
- Current Year 8 will transition to **Miss Jones**
- Current Year 9 will transition to **Mrs Cairns**
- Current Year 10 will transition to **Mrs Cairns**

This transition will allow our students to start to get to know their new Pastoral Year Lead, and their year area for use at break and lunchtime.



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We have received the news that Cowley Academy have achieved national success with the use of GCSEPod for our Key Stage 4 students. Our students have been utilising the online revision tool to support their learning and revision throughout the year and, in particular, towards the upcoming summer examination season. We have been recognised nationally for our commitment to this, we are the Top Trust in the country for the usage of this and Cowley Academy are in the top 5% of schools in the country - an amazing achievement!


As we head towards the end of the academic year, I would like to draw your attention to a couple of standards issues which we are currently working on with our students. Please can I remind parents of the following areas:

- Students are not permitted to wear socks over or under tights
- Students are not permitted to wear any fake eyelashes, acrylic or gel nails or any facial piercings
- Students should not have any extreme hair styles
- Students should not wear fashion sunglasses in school

Thank you for your support on these issues as we enter the last five weeks of this academic year.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Glenn Martin**

Head of School, Cowley Academy

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