

This Week at Cowes Enterprise College...



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The Week That Was...

This week at Cowes we welcomed key leaders from safeguarding, health, education, and policing for a Children's Commissioner's Office roundtable.

We also saw the start of our Annual Mince Pie Competition with students across years 7, 8 and 9 baking up a storm! We are wishing our students from years 9, 10 and 11 the very best of luck in their coming heats.

We also began our daily Advent activities including thanking teachers and making Christmas hopes and pledges.

From the Principal's Desk

By Rachel Kitley, Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move into December, the college is full of festive spirit. Our building is now beautifully decorated for Christmas, and it has been wonderful to hear students say the decorations have created a real sense of fun and belonging. We want every child to feel part of our community, and this is one of the many ways we make that happen.

To add to the excitement, we have introduced a daily advent activity for students. These activities are designed to bring us together, celebrate kindness, and enjoy the season. From thanking teachers and charity work to making Christmas hopes and pledges and celebrating student successes, each day offers something positive and meaningful.

I would also like to invite you to our **Christmas Concert**, which will take place in the Main Inspiration Zone on Tuesday 9th December. Doors open at 5.30pm, and the concert runs from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. Students will perform a mix of Christmas songs and other pieces, giving them a chance to showcase their talents to our community. Refreshments will be available, and seating will be arranged around festive tables to create a warm, welcoming atmosphere. We hope you can join us for what promises to be a joyful evening.

Finally, this week we were proud to host a Children's Commissioner's Office roundtable here at Cowes Enterprise College. The discussion brought together key leaders from safeguarding, health, education, and policing - including our MP and senior local partners - to explore local data and trends and consider how best to work together for Island children. The Children's Commissioner's Office plays a vital role in championing the rights and voices of young people, and hosting this event reflects our shared commitment to a child-centred approach. It was a privilege to welcome so many partners who share this vision, and we look forward to continuing this important work.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We are proud of our students and our community, and we look forward to celebrating the festive season together.

Warm regards,
Rachel Kitley
Principal





Spotlight

Year 7 Maritime Project

Students in Year 7 are starting their DT maritime voyage - a cross-curricular project looking at the design and manufacture of a model pond yacht, as part of our Maritime Futures curriculum. They are pictured here manufacturing and shaping hydrodynamic hulls that are then tested against the clock!

Photos of the week

Year 7 and Year 8 Mince Pie Competition Winners

A huge well done to Lilly and Ollie in year 7 and Oliver and Dex in year 8 who have won their heats. We saw some amazing baking from everyone involved. The competition continues this week with year 9 heat on Thursday then next week we have year 10, 11 and the final on Friday 12th December.



Notice Board



- **Friday 5th December** - Staff Development Day
- **Tuesday 9th December** - Christmas Concert
- **Wednesday 10th December** - Flu Immunisations
- **Friday 19th December** - Last Day of Autumn Term (early closure)
- **Monday 5th January** - Staff Development Day
- **Tuesday 6th January** - Start of Spring Term


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