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# This Week at Cowes Enterprise College...



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## The Week That Was...

This week at Cowes, Year 10 students have been working hard during their mock examinations, showing focus and determination, we are so proud of them.

We're also celebrating the achievements of our Sixth Form students, with 90 UCAS applications submitted by the deadline and over half already receiving aspirational offers from Russell Group universities.

Our Duke of Edinburgh participants took part in camp craft skills sessions, developing key practical skills in preparation for their expeditions. In Geography, students carried out hands-on practical work exploring weather, while Year 7 Design Technology students have been developing their practical skills by making wooden boxes.

# From the Principal's Desk

*By Rachel Kitley, Principal*

This week we are celebrating the incredible achievements of our Sixth Form students.

On Wednesday 14 January, the UCAS university application deadline passed. Ninety of our students submitted applications, and already 58% have received aspirational offers from Russell Group universities. This is a fantastic reflection of their hard work and ambition.

This year so far, Year 12 students have enjoyed visits to Oxford and Cambridge, taken part in mock trials and debate competitions, and played a key role in the Isle of Wight Literary Festival. Our students have also achieved strong results in national Maths, Chemistry and Physics Olympiads.

We are really proud of our students' success with their destinations when they leave us! Every year, we continue to see strong success with Russell Group universities, Oxbridge, and competitive courses such as medicine, engineering and veterinary medicine.

Our vibrant Sixth Form is growing year on year, creating an energetic and supportive learning community focused on academic rigour and aspiration. Students secure impressive work placements and internships in world-class companies across legal, medical and financial sectors. Our sixth form student leadership teams drive CEC's

community and social action projects, ensuring student voice is at the heart of our academy while building essential skills and experience for our students' next steps.

Student outcomes remain strong, supported by expert teaching and a well-sequenced, fully resourced curriculum available electronically to all students.

In short, Cowes Sixth Form offers outstanding academic performance, excellent progression outcomes, real-world learning opportunities and exceptional student support. We are proud of our students and all they achieve and are thrilled to pay tribute to them this week!





## Photo of the week

### *D of E Camp Craft Skills*

This half term, our Duke of Edinburgh's Award students are focusing on camp craft skills. They have started this with our Silver cohort looking at nutrition and menu plans for their expeditions and the Bronze students all put up tents in the school hall. Amazing work everyone!

## Spotlight

### *Year 7 Design Technology*

Year 7 have had some exceptional practical lessons recently in Design Technology. The wooden box projects are in drying process but the workshop skills shown have been great.

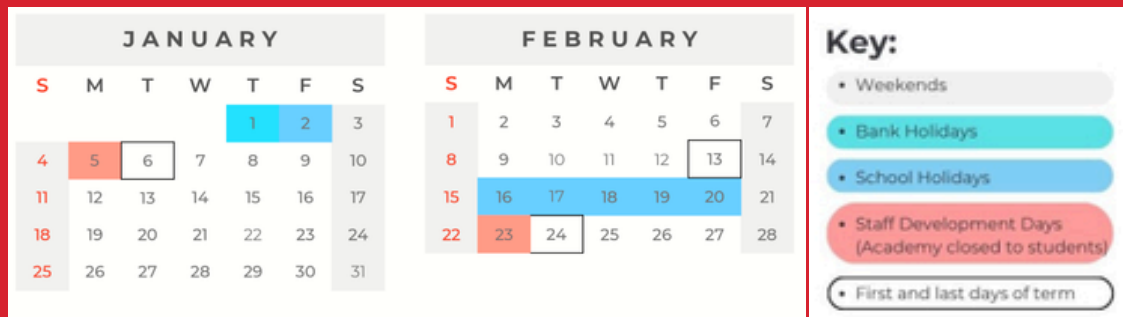


# Notice Board

- **3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> February** - CEC Presents: Jason and the Argonauts
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** - Virtual Year 10 Parents' Evening
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** - Teen Booster Immunisations (Year 9)
- **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** - Last day before Half Term
- **16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February** - Half Term Break
- **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** - Staff Development Day
- **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February** - Students back to school



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