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This Week at Cowes Enterprise College...



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The Week That Was...

This week at Cowes has seen the start of our Easter Baking Competition, with students from across year groups compete to see who can bake the best hot cross Welsh cakes - good luck to all involved!

Year 7 students have been testing and racing their model boats as part of their Maritime Futures curriculum in Design and Technology.

A huge well done to all of our Duke of Edinburgh's Award students who took part in a 21 kilometre walk around Alverstone, Newchurch, Shanklin, Lake and Adgestone at the weekend.

From the Principal's Desk

By Rachel Kitley, Principal

Dear families,

This week I would like to focus on the present - where we are right now as a school community. The short answer is this: Cowes Enterprise College is calm, purposeful and moving forward with confidence.

Classrooms are productive. Students are focused. Achievement points continue to rise. Attendance is improving. Our sixth form is strong and ambitious. These day-to-day signs tell a simple story - the school is in a very good place.

I also want to reassure families about leadership. The senior team is experienced, steady and fully committed to maintaining the strong progress we have made. The governors and the Trust are now beginning the recruitment process for a new Principal, and they will take the time needed to get this appointment right.

Our routines and expectations will continue as normal. The most important thing - your child's learning and wellbeing - remains at the centre of everything.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warmest wishes,
Rachel Kitley
Principal





Photo of the week

Year 7 Maritime DT Lessons

This week we have been busy in Year 7 design technology racing our sailboats. Students have worked in teams to mirror job roles in the maritime industry and each taken responsibility for a certain part of the boat build. The students engagement has been fantastic throughout this Maritime Futures project and we are so proud!

Spotlight

Bronze DofE Walk

On Saturday 14th March, 39 students taking part in their Bronze D of E award undertook a 21k walk around Alverstone, Newchurch, Shanklin, Lake and Adgestone.

We had great weather and all students led sections of the route. Well done to all the students who attended!



Notice Board

- **Friday 27th March** - Last Day of Spring Term
- **30th March - 10th April** - Easter Holidays
- **Monday 13th April** - Start of Summer Term
- **Thursday 16th April** - Year 8 HPV Immunisations
- **Thursday 23rd April** - Virtual Year 8 Parents' Evening



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Key:
• Weekends
• Bank Holidays
• School Holidays
• Staff Development Days (Academy closed to students)
• First and last days of term



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