

Dear parents and carers,

I can't believe we are already over three weeks into the school year. Time is certainly flying by and, once again this week, there is so much to celebrate across our school community.

Students have been busy reading on Sparx during their free time, and we are incredibly impressed by their dedication and enthusiasm for reading. At CEC, we firmly believe that reading is one of the most important foundations for success in life.

Developing a love of reading opens doors to new opportunities, broadens understanding of the world and supports achievement across all areas of learning. We are proud to support our students in fostering positive reading habits and a lifelong love of books.

Our biggest achievement recently is receiving the Woodland Trust Gold Award. This is a fantastic accomplishment and reflects the hard work and commitment of our students and staff. Spending time outdoors, exploring the natural environment and helping to promote and protect local habitats is something truly special. Through this project, students have demonstrated care, responsibility and respect for the world around them, and we are immensely proud of everyone involved.

Looking ahead, next week we will be holding our first Year 11 Ambition Evening for parents, carers and students. This is a wonderful opportunity to explore the many pathways and opportunities available after Year 11, and we look forward to welcoming everyone for what promises to be an informative and enjoyable event.

Thank you to all our students, staff and families for continuing to make CEC such a positive and thriving community. I look forward to sharing more achievements with you next week.

Kind regards,



Mrs Griffiths-Nash
Head of School



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USEFUL INFORMATION

Reminders

Please be reminded to sign up for Arbor if you have not yet done so.

Once on Arbor, please do check your child's information and make any updates as required.

Please also make sure you have filled in the consents (e.g. local area trips and photos)



Arbor for Parents
login.arbor.sc

Log in

Enter your email address

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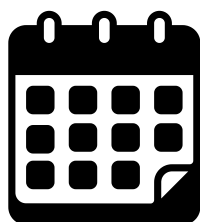
[Forgot your password?](#)

When setting up a parent account enter your **email address** and click "[Forgot your password?](#)"

All future log ins can then use the email address and the password that was set up.

 **Arbor**

cowesec.org/key-info/parent-portals



Dates and Events

Wednesday 30th September	Year 11 Ambition Evening
Thursday 15th October	Open Evening
Friday 16th October	Flu Immunisation (1 st Session)
Friday 23rd October	Last day of school before half term break
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	Half Term Break
Monday 2nd November	Return to school
2nd - 20th November	Year 11 Mock Exams
Wednesday 4th November	Sixth Form Open Evening

CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

We are so delighted to have achieved The Woodland Trust Gold Award!

As part of the programme, our pupils have been encouraged to get outdoors, explore the natural environment around them and see it from different perspectives, including considering the world from the viewpoint of different creatures.

Our fantastic Student Leadership Team promise "We will continue our hard work to help look after every animal at Cowes, whether big or small."

We're incredibly proud of everyone who has helped us achieve this fantastic recognition.

Read more:

<https://cowesec.org/news/2026/9/21/cowes-celebrates-green-tree-schools-award>



Our new Year 10 GCSE Film Studies classes have made a great start to a subject new to many of them already this year!

They have been applying new concepts like cinematography to some of the latest films released and even storyboarding and filming their own film 'short' entitled The New Student!

CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Miss Gibson and Mrs Martin have been so impressed by our Year 7 students as they begin their practical Food Technology lessons!

Their introduction to the kitchen involved baking shortbread!

Well done, Year 7, you've been amazing!



A huge well done to Sgt Tom Yates who takes over the role of Lord Lieutenant Cadet from Sgt Lola Lewis.

Both Tom and Lola are valued members of Cowes Combined Cadet Force and we are so proud of them both.

CCF takes place on Mondays from 5 - 6.30pm in our Winder Centre. and students are welcome to join!

CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

We are so proud of Year 11 student Demi, who recently received the Child of Wight 'Most Inspirational Child' Award!

Demi has been volunteering at the children's bereavement group, and using her own trauma to help others.

We are so lucky to have her as part of our community, and so pleased her amazing work has been recognised.



Recently saw the first weekend of our Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expedition of the academic year!

Six bronze students successfully navigated two days of walking routes across the Island. They sustained themselves all weekend and cooked their evening meal as well as a hot breakfast on Sunday.

A massive well done to Harry, Samuel, Kes, Ewan, Amelia and Izzy!

AMBITION EVENING



Wednesday 30th September 6 - 7pm

All parents and carers of Year 11 students are invited to join us for our Ambition Evening where we will discuss:



**Important Year 11
Information**



**Revision
Strategies**



**Post 16
Options**

Educate for life

Open Evening

**Do you have a child currently in
Year 5 or Year 6?**

Come and discover what makes Cowes Enterprise College
such a great place for your child to learn, grow and thrive.



Thursday 15th October 5 - 8pm



**Meet our
Senior Leaders**

Presentations at:
5.15, 6.15 and 7.15pm



**Experience
lesson activities**



**Explore
our academy**



**Meet our
teachers**

All welcome!



Are you currently in Year 11 and considering your next steps?

Explore Cowes Sixth Form, where students progress on to Amazing destinations including Oxbridge, Medicine, Law, Veterinary Science and many, many more!

Open Evening



Wednesday 4th November 5 - 7pm



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➤ All welcome! ➤

