COWES ENTERPRISE COLLEGE
AN ORMISTON ACADEMY

6th November 2026

Newsletter



Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the half term break and had the opportunity to rest and recharge. It has been wonderful to welcome our students back this week, refreshed, motivated, and ready to learn.We have certainly had a busy first week back. Our Year 8 students have truly shone as they began life in their new classes, embracing the change with both excitement and maturity.

At the same time, staff have been working incredibly hard as we navigated a week without full internet access. I feel very fortunate to work alongside such dedicated colleagues who continually go above and beyond for our students.

Seeing lessons delivered successfully with reduced technology was a powerful reminder that the strong relationships we have at CEC remain the key to our success.

On Wednesday evening, we hosted our Sixth Form Open Evening. We were proud to showcase 22 course stands, but even prouder of our Sixth Form students, who spoke eloquently and expertly with prospective students and their families about life in the CEC Sixth Form. We welcomed more than 100 families into the school and were thoroughly impressed by the ambition, enthusiasm, and positive attitudes of the young people we met. There is certainly a bright future ahead. If you would like to find out more about our Sixth Form, the prospectus and application form can be accessed via the link included in this newsletter.

As we look ahead to next week, we are also proud to be holding an extended tutor group session for all students to mark Remembrance Day. All students at CEC will have a focused session and mark the importance of the day and later will also participate in a two-minute silence, providing an opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices made by others.

Our CFC students will play an integral role in the day's events, and we are looking forward to coming together as a school community to mark this important occasion with respect and dignity.

Wishing you a great weekend,

Mrs Griffiths-Nash
Head of School

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USEFUL INFORMATION

Reminders

- A reminder that information on how to access our **Parent Portals** (including Arbor, ScoPay, Sparx and MathsWatch) can be found on our website: **https://cowesec.org/key-info/parent-portals**

- If you are having any issues accessing **Arbor** following the half term break, please contact info@cowesec.org and our team will help to get you back on.

- A reminder that the consultation on our Admission Policy for 2028 - 2029 will run until 14th December 2026. Please see https://cowesec.org/news/2026/11/2/consultation-on-admission-policy-for-2028-2029 for more information.

Dates and Events

2nd - 20th November	Year 11 Mock Exams
Tuesday 8th December	Flu Immunisations - 2nd Session
Thursday 10th December	Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening
Friday 18th December	Last Day of Autumn Term (2.45pm closure)

Term dates for the 2027 - 28 academic year are available on our website: https://cowesec.org/key-info/term-dates .

Please be aware that our term dates may different from the Isle of Wight Council's dates so please ensure you have checked our dates before booking any holidays. Thank you.

CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Thank you so much to everyone who joined our Sixth Form Open Evening on Wednesday! We were absolutely delighted to see so many new and familiar faces exploring our fantastic sixth form.

Huge thanks and well done to the incredible student leaders, volunteers and staff who gave their time, efforts and energy to make the evening so amazing. We are so grateful to have such a wonderful Cowes Community.

Application to Cowes Sixth can be made on our website, where you can also find course information as well as our prospectus.
https://cowesec.org/sixth-form









CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS



Sixth Form students had a practical charter lesson this week when they learned how to look after each other in a medical emergency.

Students Ava, Jenna and future medical student, Zlatozar, demonstrated the recovery position and guided their fellow students in a practical demo!

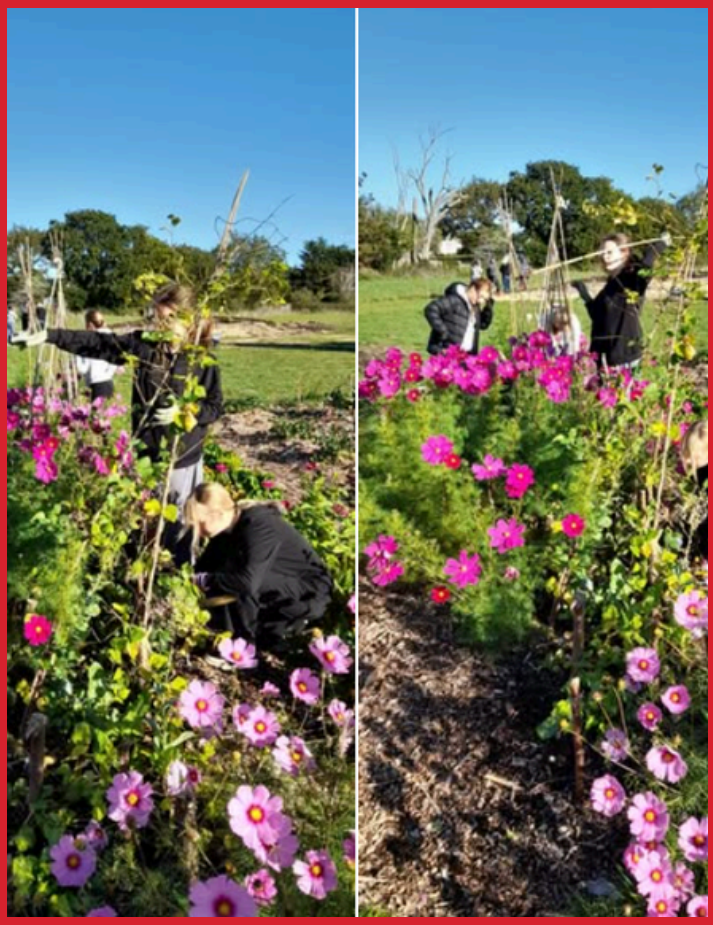
Another great week for our Year 10 food preparation and nutrition students, who have been continuing their course by completing sensory analysis of their granola.

Students complete sensory analysis for all of their practical food lessons to show the food science and food properties around the recipes.



CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

We are so proud of the five students volunteering with Grow Gurnard as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award volunteering section. Last weekend, they worked hard clearing away the bean poles, picking some fresh greens to take home and meeting the wriggly residents of the wormery!



CLUBS AND ENRICHMENT

MONDAY

Before School
- Library Club
  8 - 8.25am | Library

Lunch Time
- Pride Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | ED03
- Library Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Library

After School
- Boys' Football
  2.50 - 3.45pm | 3G Pitch
- Year 7 Netball
  2.50 - 3.45pm | Sports Hall
- Duke of Edinburgh
  2.50 - 3.45pm | MIZ
- CCF (Cadets)
  5 - 6.30pm | Winder Centre
- Year 7 Military Skills
  2.45 - 3.45pm | SC20
- Year 7 Military Drumming
  2.45 - 3.45pm | SC20
- Homework Club
  2.45 - 3.15pm | Oasis

TUESDAY

Before School
- Library Club
  8 - 8.25am | Library

Lunch Time
- Library Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Library

After School
- Homework Club
  2.45 - 3.15pm | Oasis
- Qinetiq
  2.50 - 3.45pm | DE01
  For those who have signed up
- Dungeons & Dragons
  2.50 - 3.45pm | Library





WEDNESDAY

Before School
- Library Club
  8.00 - 8.25am | Library

Lunch Time
- Book Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Library
- Choir
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Music

After School
- Girls' Football
  2.50 - 3.45pm | 3G Pitch
- KS3 Art Club
  2.45 - 3.15pm | CA12
- Science Club
  2.50 - 3.30pm | SC03
- Eco Club & Gardening
  2.45 - 3.45pm | SC20



THURSDAY

Before School
- Library Club
  8.00 - 8.25am | Library

Lunch Time
- Library Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Library

After School
- Year 8 - 13 Netball
  2.50 - 3.45pm | Sports Hall
- Drama Club
  2.45 - 3.15pm | Creative
- Homework Club
  2.50 - 3.15pm | Oasis





FRIDAY

Before School
- Library Club
  8.00 - 8.25am | Library

Lunch Time
- Library Club
  12.10 - 12.45pm | Library
- Knitting & Crochet
  12.10 - 12.45pm | ET03

After School
- Eco Club & Gardening
  2.45 - 3.45pm | SC20
- Sign Language
  2.45 - 3.15pm | SC20





SPORTS FIXTURES

Year 9 football v Ryde School

On a chilly Thursday 5th November, the Year 9 Boys football team travelled to Ryde School for their latest league fixture.

Feeling confident when reflecting on last year's fixture, the team opted to play a 3-5-2 formation allowing maximum opportunity to play on the attack.

From kick off the boys had the vast majority of possession and from 15 minutes the team saw a flurry of goals come from Jay (15th minute), Harry with a very fast hat trick (17th, 19th and 21st minutes) and Toby (24th minute). A comfortable lead going into the interval.

Ryde came out a different side in the second half, playing on the front foot creating a few chances, forcing some good saves from Frankie. They just couldn't find the back of the net, but Harry and Louis added the final two Cowes goals on 22 and 24 minutes to see out the game.

A dominant performance played in good spirit from the Cowes team. Very well played Frankie B, Logan F, Fin L, Harley S, Norman R, Archie J, Dex H, Jay L, Frankie C, Louis F, Harry H, Toby H and Oliver C!




Did you attend our recent
Open Evening?
We want to
hear from you!


Did you attend our
Sixth Form Open Evening?
Let us know
your thoughts!

ROTARY ON THE WIGHT CHARITY QUIZ

Rotary on the Wight Grand Charity Quiz at the Riverside Centre! (Trafalgar Room)







FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

7PM FOR 7:30PM START

Teams of up to 6

Costs £10 per head - all proceeds to charity!

Cash bar (no drinks to be brought in)

'Nibbles' provided

Raffle

Booking is essential!

For more information, please contact Ian Pratt

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Does it sometimes feel like everything is a battle with your child or teen?

FREE ONLINE SEMINAR

Understanding Demand Avoidance in Neurodivergent Children (diagnosed or suspected)

Insights and strategies for families

Thursday 12th November 2026, 7.30 - 9.00 pm

No booking required!

Simply join the seminar by scanning the QR code or use the Zoom details below:

Meeting ID: 857 2711 9710
Passcode: 701137

If you prefer, feel free to email us at **info@sftrust.org.uk** for the Zoom link.

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