



Coopers School



An IB World School

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'Enabling learners of today to become achievers of tomorrow'



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Dear Parents/Carers

Message from Mrs Wood

We have had a busy and successful start to term for all year groups so far. We have enrolled a record number of Year 12 students who have made a fantastic start to their A Level courses. Thank you to all parents who attended our welcome evenings – I hope you found the information about the academic year ahead useful. If you were unable to attend please do contact your child's Head of Year for a copy of the materials issued.

Thank you to all students who joined us on Open Saturday. We had a record number of prospective parents and students visit us. A special congratulations to Year 7 students who worked in faculties and toured visitors - having only spent 13 days in school they were a real credit to us and we have received many positive comments about them. The pride in which they spoke about the school and facilities is testament to how well they have settled in.

Do watch out for our ex-student Sam Oakley who features in the new series of Dr.Who this weekend. He couldn't reveal much about the storyline or his character but all will be revealed soon!

Coopers School Library – Miss Whalley

If you have any books at home that are in good condition that you would be willing to donate to our school Library, we would be most grateful. You can either send these in with your child, or drop them at Main Reception if this is more convenient for you. Many thanks for your support.



Mobile Phones



The mobile phone policy is working extremely well – it is delightful to see students chatting to each other during breaks rather than glued to their screens with headphones dangling. Just to remind you, mobile phones must be turned off and placed at the bottom of the school bag before students enter the school gates. Phones will be confiscated if they are seen or used, and returned at the end of the day. If confiscated again during the school year the phone will only be returned to a parent/carer following a meeting with a member of the School Leadership team.

Chair of Governors: Robert Girling

Senior Vice Principal: Matthew Baker

Vice Principals: Rob Carling | Samantha Chapman | Hazel Hatch

Curious Creative Resilient Respectful Empathetic



Parent Forum

Parent Forum is made up of interested parents, and meets once every half-term to discuss matters important to Coopers' Parents and their child's education. Meetings are usually on Tuesday evenings at 6.00pm for approximately 90 minutes. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 6 November – everybody is welcome so if you would like to come along, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Denoon at hdenoon@e21c.co.uk.

Calendar, Contacts and Parent Events

Please follow the link below to access our events calendar and a reporting cycle overview:
<https://portal.coopersschool.com/CLG/Webdocs/Lists/Parent%20Calendar/calendar.aspx>

Dates for your diary:

Date	Calendar Item
Thursday 27 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Harvest Festival Services at St Nicholas Church, Chislehurst (students only)Years 9-12 Careers trip to the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst (Ms Blair and Mrs Bramley)
Friday 28 September	Year 12 and 13 Drama trip to "The End of Eddy" at the Unicorn Theatre, London (Ms Stanley)
Monday 1 October	Year 6 Open Morning – by appointment only (Mrs Porteous)
Tuesday 2 October	English Schools Cross Country 2018, Yarkley Court School, Somerhill, Tonbridge, Kent (Miss Ball)
Wednesday 3 October	Year 6 Open Morning – by appointment only (Mrs Porteous)
Friday 12 October	LEAP Day

Fire Drills and Lockdown – Mr Carling

We take the safety and well being of all students, staff and visitors to the site extremely seriously. With that in mind, we have extensive procedures in place in the event of fire or of the need to "lock down" the buildings and site if this was deemed necessary due to external influences. All students have been briefed in assembly regarding what they should do in the event of the alarm sounding, and they will be fully supported by staff throughout any incident. To ensure that students are fully aware of procedures, practice drills for both fire and lock down are held termly. If you have any questions regarding these procedures, please do not hesitate to contact me at rcarling@e21c.co.uk.



Year 8 Student Reception Assistants – Mrs Haslam

During the course of the year, all students in Year 8 get the opportunity to undertake the role of Student Reception Assistant which involves helping staff with messages and administration. This is a valuable day for the students to develop their work related and people skills and we are particularly proud of the way Year 8 have been rising to this challenge.

Students to be commended for the period Monday 10 – Wednesday 26 September are:

Tylan Arif	Tyler Best	Hailey Bogle	David Clayton
Yuvraj Dhanjal	Aidan Gallagher	Joanna Georgiou	Louise Gibbons
Karl Heselden	Andrew Jempson	Talia Kanli	Jack Klingsick
Alfie Lewis	Ruby Matthews	Malakai McCann	Kaidan Nye
Shay Odeh	Katie Senner	Olivia Smith	Shanel Sutluceli
Veer Vaghela	George Waller-Morton		

Winnie Willsmer (Year 10)



We are delighted to report that Winnie continues to excel in ballet. She has achieved Distinctions in all her Royal Academy of Dance grades and has been a Ballet Assistant to her Principal for the last four years. Winnie also helps to teach RAD ballet to children at the Orpington Dance Academy and Bromley High School.

Winnie has been given the lead role in her Academy's last five shows, and has danced with the English Youth Ballet three times now, most recently playing the Lead Swan in Swan Lake. As a result of her performance, Winnie has been offered a place in their new production – Cinderella in Hollywood at the Hawth Theatre in Crawley. Winnie has ambitions to study the BA (Hons) Classical Ballet Teaching degree at the Royal Academy of Dance, with her ultimate goal of becoming a ballet teacher. We are proud of Winnie's achievements in ballet – watch this space for future news of how she is getting on.



Year 9 Education for Wellbeing Programme – AWARE Project – Miss Salt

The Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families are researching whether certain types of wellbeing and mental health focussed lessons are helping young people. This evaluation is of mental health and wellbeing support delivered to students in selected year groups through regular lessons. The evaluation aims to find out whether this support improves students' mental health and wellbeing.

Coopers has signed up to the Education for Wellbeing Programme where whole classes of students will take part in lessons designed to support their mental health and wellbeing. In some schools, classes will receive support in the academic year 2018/2019. In other schools, classes will not receive lessons, but schools can get support the following year. The aim is to see if support helps students to feel more positive and learn more about their mental health and well-being. A number of students in Year 9 will be taking part in this pilot project to support improved delivery of wellbeing education in schools.

The study will involve children completing a short online questionnaire, asking questions about how they think and feel about their school, friends, others and themselves, as well as the types of help and support they have sought. The questionnaire is not expected to take longer than 30-40 minutes and will be conducted during PPS sessions. The same questionnaire will be issued again approximately 6 and 12 months later.

If you have any questions about this pilot project, please do not hesitate to contact me at jsalt@e21c.co.uk.

Esafety News – Mr O'Donnell

A printscreen, also known as a screen shot, is when you take a picture of whatever is on your screen. Many people do not know that you can actually printscreen your phone or tablet! On many of the latest Android devices simply swipe your palm across the screen and it will save a picture of the screen in your gallery. On iOS press and hold the Power button and click the Home button at the exact same time. If you use another mobile device simply Google - how to printscreen (name of device).



Not only can this help you in your day to day life, saving information for future reference for example, but it's a fantastic tool to use to evidence any instances of cyberbullying.

With apps becoming more popular that delete content sent after a period of time, such as Snap Chat, printscreens are a fantastic way of recording this and showing parents or teachers what has happened.



Attendance and Punctuality – Miss Costin

We are pleased to report that positive attendance remains a high priority at Coopers which is reflected in current attendance statistics. Student attendance continues to be above the national average. Well done to all students for contributing to these most impressive figures!

Students are expected to arrive to school on time each day. The first lesson of the day starts at 8.30am and students are encouraged to line up from 8.25am. Any student who arrives after 8.30am will be recorded as Late and will have missed important learning time.

Students who are late to school will be expected to sit a detention during break time on the same day. For students who are late more than once in a week, calculated from Thursday to Thursday, a further sanction will follow in the form of a detention after school and parents/carers will be advised when this will take place. Your support in encouraging your child to attend school every day and on time is very much appreciated.

Yours faithfully

Sue Wood

Headteacher

Shirley Puxty

Principal
Deputy CEO – E21C