



**COTTENHAM
VILLAGE COLLEGE**
Astrea Academy Trust
INSPIRING BEYOND MEASURE

Cottenham Village College 13th December



Key dates and events



- **Thursday 16 December:** Christmas lunch for students and Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform Day
- **Friday 17 December:** Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform Day and Early Closure at 12.30

County Cross Country Event



On Tuesday, Mr Purser took a group of our CVC students out to the county cross country event. The students did really well and enjoyed the day. We had some surprisingly positive results from the Y7 and Y8 boys (who are not usually runners!) and have made it through to the next round in January.

Students who have qualified to represent the Cambridge district at the district cross country event, which is on Sat 15th January:

Year 9:

Weronika M - 6th Place (Weronika's main sport is swimming)

Isabel B 9th Place (Isabel's main sport is football)

Kyle M 9th Place

Year 7:

Oscar K - 6th Place

Henry J - 7th Place

Jack D - 10th place

None of the year 7 boys or the year 9 girls are runners. For these 5 students this is quite a remarkable achievement!

Special mention to the year 8's because they had to run against year 9's as well, Eddie B was 30th, well done Eddie!

Final mention to the year 8 & 9 girls, whose race was last. Not only did they have to wait around in the cold for the longest, but they also had to run in the rain!

Well done to all 42 students from year 7 to 11 who took part.

Christmas Jumper / Non-Uniform Days



The school will hold a Christmas Jumper / Non-Uniform Days on the last two days of term (Thursday 16 and Friday 17 December). Students can donate £1 to raise funds in support of a charity that the student council will choose. Please make this payment via Parent Pay to avoid students having to bring cash into school. Students will be allowed to wear a Christmas Jumper or decorate a jumper and wear non-uniform during these two days; if students have PE that day they should wear a jumper over their PE kit.

The days remain standard school days so all other normal expectations of wearing sensible shoes and not wearing make-up or jewellery apply.

Spotlight on: Computer Sciences



The results are in! Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the Babras challenge.

Awards:

Daniel S and Oskar K - 'Best in School'.

Ethan A - Distinction

Shahlo R - Merit

Freddie Copping - Participation

Harry Stone - Participation

Tom Broad - Participation

Year 11 Period 6 sessions



The final after school sessions for this term take place next week. MyTutor sessions in maths and English are running on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3.15-4.15pm. Students have been carefully selected and invited - if your child is unable to attend, please can you let Miss Parker know before the day (where possible) so that the session can be rescheduled for them and they do not lose out on an hour of tuition. Attendance is being closely monitored and students not attending will be replaced with other students.

Period 6 sessions in maths and English will run next week, but there will be no Science on Friday as this is the final day of term and school closes early on that day. The mock examinations are revealing what students do and do not know and Period 6 sessions offer the chance to address key areas that all Year 11 students need to reflect on. These are part of our catch-up provision: these extra hours (with refreshments provided to recognise the students' commitment!) work towards trying to address the gaps and areas for development linked to lockdown learning.

WAY YOUTH CLUB



Way Youth Club will be open for four days over the Christmas holidays. They will be serving up free hot food along with lots of sports, arts and crafts and fun party games.

Monday 20th Dec 11.30am - 2.30pm

Tuesday 21st Dec 11.30am - 2.30pm

Weds 22nd Dec 11.30am - 2.30pm

Thurs 23rd Dec 11.30am - 2.30pm

To book a place please email Caroline.waterbeachway@gmail.com by Friday 17th Dec with the name and age of your child and if they receive free school meals.

Thanks to funding from the Government HAF Scheme, Waterbeach Parish Council and The Garfield Weston Foundation, admission is totally free although priority bookings will be given to children who receive free school meals.





Covid-19 Update

We ask that your child continues to do LFT's twice weekly (ideally Sunday evening and Wednesday evening) so any who are Covid-19 asymptomatic and symptomatic are identified. Students with

symptoms of COVID-19 (a high temperature, a new and persistent cough or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste) should book a PCR test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS website, or ordered by telephone via NHS 119. While awaiting a PCR test the symptomatic students should self-isolate and carry on isolating for 10 days if the PCR is positive. If the PCR is negative, the student can end self-isolation and return to school.

If someone within your household has tested positive but the student has a negative lateral flow test and is not displaying any symptoms of Covid-19, then they can return to school and do not need to self-isolate. We ask that you encourage your child to wear masks in all communal areas in school.

SHINE points



Last week's highest scoring house was **Hargreaves** with a total of **576** points.

The year group achieving the highest number of SHINE points is **Year 8** with a total of **674** points.

The top three form groups this week are:

9R with a total of **140** points

8M with a total of **135** points

8L with a total of **131** points

Attendance



Thank you for your ongoing support in making sure your child attends school. However, if your child is absent, please ensure you make contact on each and every day of the absence.

The attendance for the week beginning **29th November** is:

Whole School attendance was **89.89%**

Year 7 – **90.47%** (Leading tutor group is **7K** with **94.37%**)

Year 8 – **92.94%** (Leading tutor group is **8S** with **98.39 %**)

Year 9 – **87.98%** (Leading tutor group is **9K** with **96.15%**)

Year 10 – **86.64%** (Leading tutor group is **10M**with **95.52%**)

Year 11 – **91.45%** (Leading tutor group is **11K** with **96.40%**)

Congratulations to the pupils in Year 8!

Reminder for student absences



Please report a student absence **each day** the student is absent.

Our preferred method for parents to report an absence is by using the Astrea Parent App. [Instructions of how to download the Parent App can be found on Astrea Trust's website.](#)

If you cannot access the Parent App, please email attendance@astreacottenham.org

If you do not have access to the Parent App or email, please telephone Mrs Phipps at the college (01954 288 762).

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