



CoDA Chronicles



Attendance Update:

Year 7 are currently the highest year group with an amazing 94.9% average. Just amazing!

Unsurprisingly, they also have the highest form group for the half term 7LD with a mind blowing 97.4% attendance.

I would also like to praise all these forms for also having attendance above 95%.

11PK, 7RS, 11RT, 10JS, 9PT, 7RT, 7PW and 10TM

We will be running a new attendance reward after half term - FOMO Fridays!!

More information to come soon.

Bletchley Park Trip:

Last Wednesday Mr Birkinshaw and Mrs Bennett took our 3 Maths Circle groups on what will hopefully become an annual outing to Bletchley Park. The weather was in our favour, the journey ran smoothly, and no one forgot their lunch!

The students first took part in a learning session about code-breaking and learned about the role of Bletchley in World War 2. They all behaved wonderfully and were really engaged, and we even got to see a genuine WWII Enigma machine!

We had bits of time in between our scheduled activities to explore the site ourselves and see the exhibitions, and everyone agreed that this needed to be much longer! We saw inside the mansion, the huts where the code breaking actually happened, saw a replica Bomb machine working away, and some vintage vehicles in the garages.

The last part of our day was a guided tour, during which our students wowed the tour guide with their curiosity and cheerful nature, and their knowledge about World War 2 (shout out to the history department!!).

All in all, it was a fantastic day out, and all the students (and staff) agreed that they'd love to go again.

Some pictures of the visit are below:



GCSE Religious Studies Trip:

Mrs Beeson and Mrs Richards had the pleasure of taking year 10 GCSE RS students on a trip to the Jamia Mosque in Normanton. It was a wonderful morning where we were able to explore some important areas of the Mosque and understand why it is such an important place of worship for Muslims. It was particularly special as our visit coincided with the beginning of the holy month of Ramadan! Unfortunately, we were unable to visit the church but hope to do so very soon!



Ramadan:

We have opened another Multi Faith Room in school at Break B so that additional students have the capacity to observe prayer during Ramadan. This room is D03. Thank you to Mrs Kaur for allowing this.

Music Department News:

We have 2 new instrumental teachers starting at CoDA this half term teaching violin and piano. If you are interested in learning a musical instrument, please contact Mrs Powell. Free places are available!

Instrument lessons at CoDA:

Piano

Violin

Flute

Clarinet

Trumpet

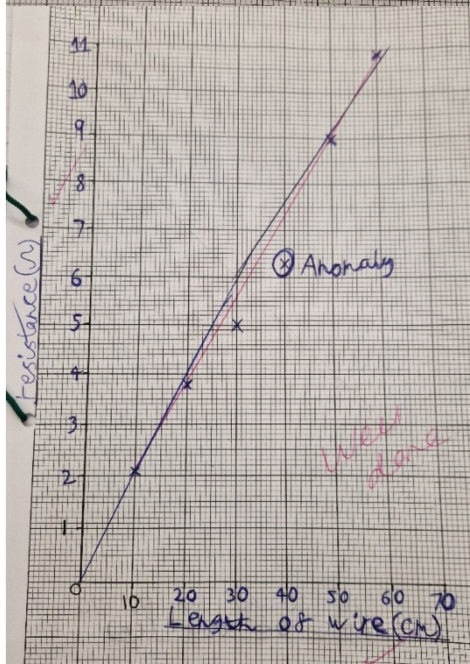
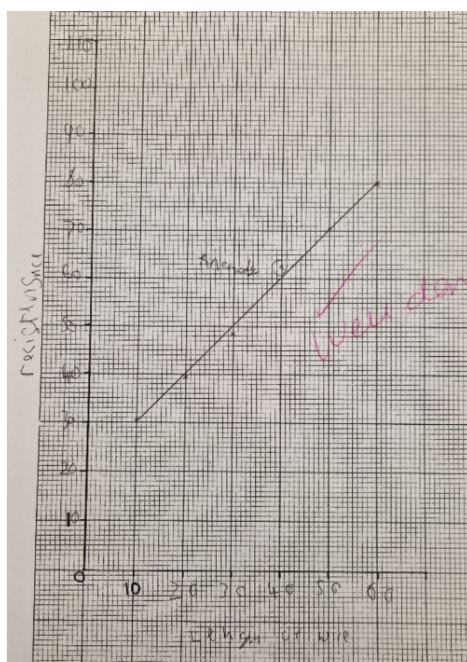
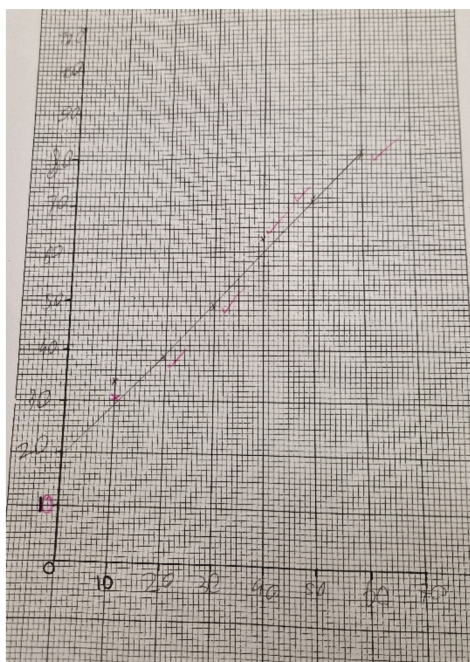
French Horn

Guitar (currently full)

Drums (currently full)
Singing (currently full)

Science Department News:

Mrs Ryan's 9a4 class have been learning about graph work in their Science lessons. They were amazing in the lesson that they drew them. It is something a lot of students struggle with, but they really surprised her with their independent working and precision with plotting. Mrs Ryan is a very proud teacher!



Extra-Curricular at CoDA:

Year 11 Revision Clubs:

	TUESDAY 3:10-4:10	WEDNESDAY 3:10-4:10	THURSDAY 3:10-4:10	FRIDAY 3:10-3:40
WEEK 1	Maths	X,Y,Z Option	English Language	Science
WEEK 2	Science	X,Y,Z Option	English Literature	Maths

We currently have a number of other interventions taking place during registration time to support our Year 11 students with preparation for their exams.



PE After School Clubs



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Year 8 & 9 Football JPE / SSI	Year 7 Football ABU	Year 10 & 11 Football JPE	Badminton ABU
	Volleyball LKA	Basketball JPE	GCSE PE LKA	
	Dance/Cheerleading EHA		Sports Studies SSI	
			Fitness EHA	



School Football this half-term

Our Year 7-11 Football teams will be recommencing fixtures and tournaments this half-term.

The Year 7's will be playing against St Benedicts, Cathedral, Littleover and Landau in a newly formed league.

Fixtures, Tournaments and/or training will take place on the following nights for each Year group:

Year 7 – Wednesday

Year 8 – Tuesday

Year 9 – Wednesday

Year 10 – Thursday

Year 11 - Tuesday



Spotlight on Departments:



This week's department – MFL:



All year groups are working well and are doing the following...

Year 7 is currently studying the topic 'school', year 8 is completing a topic on the past tense. Year 9 has started the topic 'holidays' and year 10 is working on the topic 'Jobs and future plans'.

Year 11 pupils are preparing themselves for their final exams both in lessons and interventions, as there are only 4 school weeks remaining until their spoken exam.

All classes in years 7, 8 and 9 will complete a reading aloud activity to a partner/their teacher, so it is important to regularly practise speaking/pronunciation in preparation for this task.

Finally, we are really looking forward to the forthcoming trip to 'The Opal Coast in France at the end of March and will write a report on it for the blog.

World Book Day!

We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday 6th March with a number of different activities taking place during the day.

We had a 'Masked Reader' competition which involved members of staff reading extracts from a book (with masks on) and students had to guess who each of the readers was? At the start of each lesson, staff read out extracts of a variety of different books and then engaged in discussions with their class about the extracts and their impacts on the wider world.

We had a cake sale at Break A as well as a book swap stall which involved students bringing in unwanted books and swapping them for another book that they wanted which was at the stall. The cake sale was a huge success. We made £106 which will go towards books for the library.

Mrs Eatough would like to offer the following thank you's:

- Firstly, thank you to everyone who recorded a video. They have been a huge hit and it's been so wonderful to have members of staff commenting on students' engagement with them, describing the calm atmosphere they've created or the discussions they have encouraged. Just brilliant!*
- Thank you to those in the Tech department who made our wonderful book frame and of course the Book Goblin's (Mrs Eames) scarf. A role she played a little too well!!*
- Thank you to everyone who donated cakes, or books, or helped to sell them.*
- Thank you for everyone who dressed up, decorated a door or wall or changed their plans for the day to make it that extra little bit special... A big shout out here has to*

go to Mrs Goodman and the Science team who took a class of 29 students from English into a Science lab to recreate the 'Witches' spell from Macbeth. The class read the spell beautifully before they watched the Witchy Mrs Goodman make her potion.

- *Thank you for everyone who made time in their busy way to talk books, show enthusiasm and generally get behind the spirit of World Book Day - proving that CODA READS!!!*
- *Most of all though, thank you to Miss Baker who has been working tirelessly to make the day what it was. There have been hours and hours of prep going on behind the scenes and she really has been the powerhouse making it all happen.*

Best Costume goes to Mr. Twit (Mrs Bates)

Best Door to the Chokey (Mrs Ryan)

PSHE Update:

SPR2L3

In PSHE lessons, our students are currently studying the following topics:

Y7SP2L3 - Explain how to recognise and respond appropriately to inappropriate and unwanted contact to ensure personal safety.

Y8SP2L3 - Explain digital resilience and identify healthy and unhealthy coping strategies in relation to IT use.

Y9SP2L3 - Take informed responsibility for own health through healthy eating choices and regular self-examinations.

Y10SP2L3 - Develop and implement strategies for personal safety in situations involving substance use and gangs, and access support to reduce harm for oneself and others.

Y11SP2L3 - Recognise the links between lifestyle choices and cancer risk, and explain prevention strategies, and make informed decisions about personal health and well-being, including blood, organ, and stem cell donation.

Ms McQuilton

House Shield/Crest Competition:





We are currently running a competition in school where our students are voting for new House crests. The vote runs until the end of this week. The entries for each of the four Houses are pictured. Above.

Inter-House Competition:

*On a two-weekly basis, our four Houses (**Courage**, **Optimism**, **Determination**, & **Ambition**) compete against each other to see which one has the best Attendance and Class Charts ratios. The winning House at the end of each halfterm will be awarded with a non-uniform day and 100 Class Charts points will be retrospectively awarded to each pupil in that House. Please see the current scores below:*

*Congratulations to **OPTIMISM** House who won the halftermly competition for the House with the most points for Class Charts rewards and Attendance. They received their non-uniform day on Tuesday 11th March. The scores for the new halfterm so far are:*

COURAGE – 100

OPTIMISM – 104

DETERMINATION – 86

AMBITION – 90

