

News & Views



SPORTS DAY, ONCE AGAIN, A HUGE SUCCESS

A great performance by our Years 7, 8 and 9 PE students on Wednesday 18 June as they took to the track to compete for Gold, Silver and Bronze at our annual Sports Day.

Monitored closely by an amazing group of Year 10 PE exam students, the evening was a huge success.

Well done to all students involved, those that won medals, broke records and were selected for the District Athletics Team.

A massive thank you to all staff and parents that supported and made this event possible.

Mr Beer - Head of PE Department

FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Another Exam Season Over ...

The 2025 exam season has finished, and we now look forward to holding celebration assemblies and Proms with our Year 13 and Year 11 students this week. We will then be keen to see the results for our students on the result days in August - Thursday 14 August for post-16 results and Thursday 21 August for GCSE results. We hope that all students will achieve the results they need to be able to go on to their chosen next stage of education and that the outcomes will reflect the hard work that they, and their teachers, have put in!





Transition Programme

We were delighted this week to host the first of a series of STEM events for Year 5 students. We welcomed students from South Camberley School, Cordwalles Junior School, Crawley Ridge School and The Grove Kite Academy to our STEM event.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - DON'T MISS OUT!

Thursday 26 June:	Class of 2025 Assembly, 8.30am until 10.00am, Kingston Theatre Year 11 Prom, 7.30pm until 11.00pm, Lakeside Country Club
Friday 27 June:	Year 13 Leavers' Assembly and Prom
Monday 30 June-Friday 4 July:	Years 10 and 12 Work Experience Week
Tuesday 1 July:	Year 7 Induction Day New Year 7 Parents' Information Evening, 6.00pm until 7.00pm, Kingston Theatre
Wednesday 2 July:	CAPA Faculty Presentation Evening, 7.30pm until 10.00pm, Kingston Theatre
Thursday 3 July & Friday 4 July: Personal Development Days	
Saturday 5 July-Sunday 6 July:	Year 9 DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition, Surrey Hills

FREQUENT ISSUES AT THE MEDICAL ROOM

Issues	Solutions
Headache, feeling dizzy	Water Bottle
Nausea, feeling sick, stomach ache	Breakfast
Hay Fever	Take hay fever medication first thing in the morning before leaving the house.
"My parents said if I don't feel any better they will collect me."	If you have concerns as to whether your child's condition will deteriorate over the course of the day, please send in an email. When students are told they will be collected, they expect this, even though our aim is to keep them in school where possible. Every student who comes to the medical room is assessed by a qualified nurse.
Parents coming to collect students because they have had contact from the student.	Please be aware that all students who are unwell must go to medical and parents with be called by the school. If your child contacts you, please remind them to go to medical and you will wait to hear from the nurse/office staff.

Mrs Brew - School Nurse



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The students were delighted to work in our specialist Technology and Science classrooms to gain hands-on, interactive experience designed to spark curiosity, foster creativity and build a passion for STEM subjects. The students dived into engaging challenges, where they worked as individuals and on some activities in teams to tackle real-world problems. All pupils were super excited and left Collingwood with great enthusiasm!

This week we also welcomed some Year 6 students to Collingwood who experienced an exciting bespoke induction programme. All students enjoyed the activities and immersed themselves into secondary school life!

Induction Day

We are excited about our forthcoming induction day on Tuesday 1 July for our new Year 7 intake for September 2025. A reminder that we have our parents' information evening on the same day starting at 6.00pm with a BBQ hosted by our CCFA from 4.30pm in Kingston building. There will also be second hand uniform available.

Sports Day

It was wonderful to see so many of you at last week's Sports Day event at Bracknell Sports Centre. I am sure you agree that there were some magnificent student performances given the hot temperatures and I would like to thank you for providing such a supportive and exciting atmosphere. Thank you as always for your support at our College events.



Academic Year 2026-2027

As you may be aware, Surrey Local Authority have voted for all maintained schools from September 2026 to have a two-week October half term. As an academy we do not have to follow this model, however we have decided to follow this and so we will have a two-week October half term from the academic year 2026-2027. I am sure that you will agree the Autumn term is always felt to be too long on many levels and this approach looks to balance the number of weeks in each term. Furthermore, all our local schools will be following the Surrey model. Please click <u>here</u> to view 2026-2027 term dates.

Hot Weather

I am proud of how our students and staff coped last week with the very high temperatures and very humid conditions. Forecasts suggest that temperatures are returning to more normal levels this week; however I would ask that you still ensure your child/ren bring sufficient water to College and remind them of the expectations about using social times to be prepared, and to re-fill their water bottles and not request to do so during lesson time.

Thank Staff Day

We had around 300 thank you messages from students last week with some really heartwarming messages. It was lovely to see how much many of our students appreciate and value the staff at Collingwood and it was uplifting for staff to read the very positive and complimentary comments. Finally, this all staff message encapsulates what we aim to do here at Collingwood College - 'I would like to thank everyone as you all play a special part to helping us make sure we are safe and we learn something new while having fun every day.'

Miss Watling - Principal

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RESULT OF THE PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

As you will be aware, 3 nominations were received for the Parent Governor vacancy and a ballot took place. Gary Baker received the most votes and joins the Governing Board as Parent Governor for a 4 year term of office. I would like to thank Sharon Ashe and Scott Roden for putting themselves forward as candidates.

Mrs Ratherford - Clerk to the Governing Board

LEAVERS' CATERING ACCOUNT BALANCES

All funds paid into students' catering accounts via ParentPay are paid directly to our catering company and not the College. At the end of term they will begin processing refunds of surplus balances. If a student has a sibling here at Collingwood, the balance will be transferred into their account (unless requested otherwise) or a refund will be made to the paying parent.





COLLINGWOOD U13 GIRLS PUT UP BRAVE FIGHT IN TOUGH CONDITIONS AT WEYDON

On Wednesday 28 May Collingwood's under 13 girls' cricket team travelled to Farnham to play Weydon School. The girls were tremendous in the worst rain I have ever seen during a cricket match! We lost by 45 runs to a good Weydon team. The girls bowled well in the rain.

Well done to Bella Price, Danniella Shanks, Harriet McCartney, Madison Lesser, Maya Chana, Emily Hobbs and Hattie Barnard.

Training is on Thursdays after College in the Sports Hall from 3.05pm until 4.10pm - all welcome, including beginners. We have a few matches left to play in the league and the girls would really love more players in order to complete the fixtures this season.



Miss Robinson - PE Department

RETURN OF LOCKER KEYS

Has your child had a locker for this academic year?

Locker keys need to be returned to Barossa Office by no later than <u>Wednesday 2 July</u> so that the keys can be collated and made available for our new Year 7 students starting in September.

Please ask your child to ensure that all items have been removed from their locker before returning their key.

If the key has been lost/misplaced a payment of £5 will need to be made via ParentPay so that a replacement key can be issued.

Many thanks.

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FROM THE LIBRARY ...

Overdue Library Books/DVDs

If your son/daughter has any overdue books/DVDs outstanding please ask them to return to the Library as soon as possible.

If any student is unable to return the books or DVDs to the Library during the opening times then please leave them with a member of staff at either Barossa or Kingston Reception for the attention of Ms Blay - Library Manager.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Ms Blay - Library Manager

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AREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are <u>underlined</u>.

Remember, you can use <u>UCAS</u> and <u>Career Pilot</u> any time to research your career options, take part in quizzes and see which jobs might suit you.

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Virgin have launched their free, virtual work experience which is due to take place from 28th-31st July 2025. You will learn more about the company, hear from business leaders and get the inside scoop on life as an apprentice, intern or graduate at Virgin Media. <u>You can apply for a place here.</u>



Young people are set to benefit from 120,000 new training opportunities as part of a radical skills revolution, giving them the chance to develop skills where they are most needed across the workforce to rebuild Britain. More skilled brickies, carpenters and healthcare support workers will soon be trained up as the government continues its drive to get Britain working. <u>Read the full press release here.</u>



On 19th June from 3:30-4:00pm, Amazing Apprenticeships are offering a free webinar to any students that are seeking an apprenticeship. It's never too early to start researching apprenticeships and the summer period can be a brilliant time to help to get ready. <u>Register here</u> to hear from experts explaining how to get ready!



Join EY and University Search Fair on 18th June at 4:30pm for an inspiring webinar where you'll discover the exciting apprenticeship opportunities available at EY, and learn how to develop the skills you need to stand out, as you start your career in business and finance. <u>Register here</u>.



Historic England are the public body that helps people care for, enjoy and celebrate England's spectacular historic environment. Interested in a career at Historic England? They're always looking for passionate people with fresh perspectives to join them! They have just released their apprenticeship opportunities, <u>check them out here.</u>

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK



<u>Museum</u> Curator

Museum curators manage collections, plan exhibitions, and educate the public on topics relevant to the museum's exhibitions. They are often also responsible for managing volunteers.

Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Which skills are employers seeking in different areas of the UK?

You can <u>use this website</u> to select a UK local authority and explore local trends in online job adverts.



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Have you ever wondered how technology in space helps us to communicate and navigate here on Earth? Could you see themselves working in a future career using space technology? Join <u>this webinar</u> on Tuesday 15th July at 1.30pm, when Teacher, Zoe Hobman, will deliver a virtual 45 minute Tech We Can LIVE lesson. Zoe will highlight how technology in space can help us to communicate and navigate on Earth, including how GPS helps us in our everyday lives. She will also show some of the tech careers within communication and navigation that you could pursue in the future.



UK University Search's webinars are now available on demand. One of their most popular sessions is "meet the Russell Group". It's worth <u>registering</u> to be able to access the recordings of past sessions. They will also keep you updated with any new webinars.



The National Trust is launching an apprenticeships scheme for 130 young people who might not otherwise consider a career in the National Trust. Apprenticeships will be based at locations round the country and provide opportunities for a range of careers including horticulture and countryside management, as well as project management, information technology, finance and HR. <u>Register your interest here</u>.

If you're looking to plan university open day visits, here are some resources you can use to find dates:

- If you know what university you're interested in, you can find information on their website.
- <u>UniTasterDays</u> has a wide range of opportunities
- <u>OpenDays.co.uk</u> also collates open day dates

• UCAS also have an option to look for open day dates

This <u>UCAS guide</u> provides some inspiration for questions you could ask at university open days to make the most of the event.

For College and Sixth Form open evenings, you will need to look on each individual organisations website. They usually post them in September and most Sixth Forms only have one date!

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"We're keen to open up new routes to working at the National Trust. That's why we're continually growing the number and range of apprenticeships we offer. We want you to learn, discover and develop your career. And we'll do everything we can to offer you the training, support and development that you need to achieve your goals."

Read more about <u>National Trust Careers</u> <u>here.</u>

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Want to kickstart your future by gaining skills that make employers take notice? Work with some of the country's leading academics? Make your mark on the world of tomorrow? You're in the right place. With 18,000 students from over 120 countries, our commitment to an outstanding student experience is what really sets us apart." Read more about <u>Aston</u> <u>University's Courses</u> <u>here.</u>

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Each year, 20 June marks <u>World Refugee Day</u>, the international day to honour people who have been forced to flee.

Together, we can champion their right to seek safety, build support for their economic and social inclusion, and advocate for solutions to help them tackle challenges.



If you're wondering what careers you could consider that work with and support refugees, have a look at this <u>charity job board</u>. They have everything from Translators to Support Workers to Legal Advisors to CEOs!



The charity sector aren't the only industry with their own job board. Here are some others you may wish to check out. Remember, these are live jobs that are available now so we aren't suggesting you apply to them, but just read them to see what the different job roles are responsible for, how much money they could earn, where they're based etc.

- <u>Hitmarker Gaming and eSports</u>
- <u>CodingJobBoard Coding and Programming</u>
- Medical Jobs UK Healthcare and Clinical Roles
- <u>Totally Legal Law</u>
- eTeach Teaching and Education



On Friday 20th June, Speakers for Schools are hosting a talk in partnership with Into Film called <u>"Think Differently, Film Differently"</u>. It aims to celebrate Inclusion and Neurodiversity in the Screen Industries. From storytelling to on-set experiences, the session will explore how the screen industries are evolving to embrace different ways of thinking, working, and creating. Whether you're curious about careers in the screen sector or passionate about representation, this is a must-attend event!



If that session isn't for you, you can see all of <u>Speakers for</u> <u>Schools upcoming broadcasts here</u>.

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK



International Aid Worker

An international aid worker provides support and relief to communities impacted by disasters, conflict, or developmental challenges, often working overseas. They manage and develop projects to assist affected areas. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

According to the government's State of the sector: annual review of UK financial services 2023 report, the finance sector generates over a tenth (12%) of the UK's income. You can read more about <u>the finance</u> <u>industry here</u> and find out information<u>about</u> <u>other industries here.</u>

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Barratt Redrow have launched a series of videos that help you to learn about different people working in different areas of their business. Here are a few:

- <u>Tia Construction</u>
- Reshaurn & Abdul Commercial

You can learn more about their opportunities here.



Channel 4 and Get My First Job have teamed up to offer you an skills based Work Experience Programme. This experience will open your eyes to a variety of roles across the industry and provide meaningful work experience, from technical positions to on-camera roles, and introduce you to the talented people who make it all happen. Ready to explore and build your creative career? <u>Sign up today!</u>



Are you feeling overwhelmed about the transition to university? Welcome to your one-stop shop for students moving to university! From High School to Uni understand the challenges you face, from not knowing what to pack, to how to get organised preparing for university, or even how to create a budget to help you plan and manage your finances. They have a host of <u>free</u> resources available on their website.



At a <u>UCAS Discovery event</u>, you can discover all your options under one roof. We can help you find out about traditional degrees, apprenticeships, careers, and more. The aim of a Discovery event is to help you decide on your next steps. At the event, you can:

- chat to unis and colleges about their courses and uni life
- speak to employers and apprenticeship providers about what an apprenticeship is like and the options available

• speak to qualified careers advisers about your future You can learn more by <u>watching this video.</u>



UCAS have lots of useful online guides if attending an event isn't right for you. They have <u>city guides</u>, <u>industry guides</u> and <u>subject</u> <u>guides</u>.

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"We are a trusted, global provider of technology with a success story that spans over 40 years. Of our 20,000 people worldwide, over 4,000 are in the UK, sourcing, transforming and managing the latest digital technology to some of the world's greatest organisations. The secret of our success is down to our people."

Read more about <u>ComputaCenter Careers</u> <u>here.</u>

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Escape Studios is one of the UK's leading animation, games and VFX schools, supplying the industry with studioready talent. Our courses are designed and delivered with industry experts within a welcoming, close-knit and successful community. We were the UK's first Unreal Authorized Training Center and are Academic Partner. " Read more about Escape Studio's Courses here.

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Important Reminders

Visits to School Site by Appointment Only

We would like to remind you that visits to the College site must be prearranged and approved through prior communication with College staff. This ensures the safety and security of all students and staff and allows us to manage our time and resources effectively. As we are sure you will understand, it is simply not possible for our staff to be immediately available as they have teaching, duty or meeting commitments.

Please do not come into College expecting to see a member of staff without an appointment as this will be a wasted journey for you and cause you lost time and unnecessary frustration. If you need to meet with a teacher, staff member or College leadership, please contact the College office to schedule an appointment.

3-day Response to Parental Communications

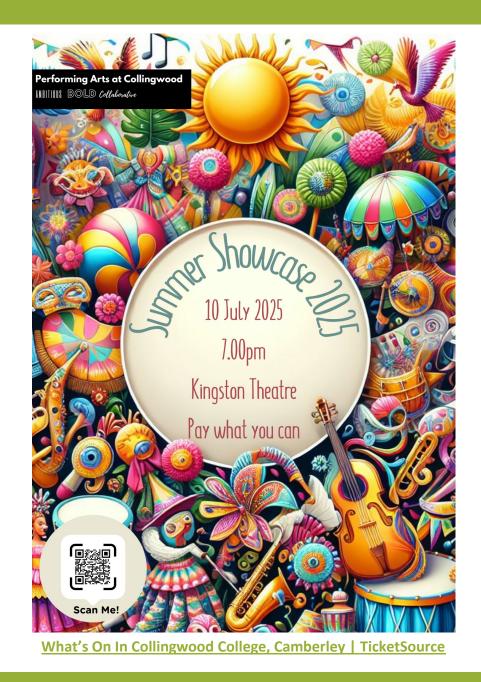
We would also like to remind you that we have a **72-hour response** period for staff to reply to parental communications. It is obviously unreasonable to expect immediate responses to emails or messages when staff have full teaching and meeting commitments. This protocol also allows us time to investigate your communication and to reply with a detailed response to you. In all cases, we would ask parents to use the <u>tc@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk</u> email address to ensure communication is directed to the correct member of staff and to ensure an appropriate reply is made within 72 hours.

I very much appreciate your understanding and co-operation in adhering to these procedures and thank you for your support in maintaining positive College-parent/carer relationships.





https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/collingwood-college



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EXCLUSIVE DISCOUNT TO THE BRITISH MOTOR SHOW 2025

The Greatest Show On Wheels returns this August. The British Motor Show is a mustvisit event for car enthusiasts and families alike. Experience the latest new cars, beautiful classic cars, ultra rare supercars, motorsports and modified cars too.

Enjoy live stunt shows, interactive exhibits, and driving experiences for all ages. Catch our celebrities on the LEGO Group stage, pick up some motoring memorabilia or set a time on F1 Simulators.

With activities designed for families, live stunt shows, a family zone, Music Stage and opportunities to test drive new models, it's an exciting day out for everyone. Don't miss out 15th–17th August. Farnborough Exhibition Centre

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www.thebritishmotorshow.live

https://britishmotorshow.seetickets.com/event/the-british-motor-show-2025/ farnborough-international-expo-centre/3187002?OfferCode=COLLINGWOOD#op1



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Our PTA is called the CCFA – the Collingwood College Friends Association, and THE CCFA NEEDS YOU!

WHY JOIN?

#1 STUDENTS BENEFIT

 * Research shows that participating in your child's school and showing engagement helps them perform better academically
* Student's will benefit from funds raised as we aim to enhance the learning of students both in and out of the classroom

#2 THE SCHOOL BENEFITS

* Supporting the teachers and administration creates a positive and caring atmosphere

#3 MAKE CONNECTIONS

*Get to know the teachers and staff, while making life-long friends with other parents at the school!

#4 YOU BENEFIT

* Volunteering your time (whatever you are able to), talents and energy while socializing with other parents is fun, healthy and rewarding!

ANYONE CAN JOIN THE CCFA!

CCCFA CCCFA Collingwood College Friends Association

There are various opportunities - being on the core committee, or volunteering to help at specific events only. What ever time you can give, we will appreciate it!

Please contact us at ccfa.collingwood@gmail.com



Yoga at Heatherside



Mondays 8:00 - 9:15pm Thursdays 6:30 - 7:45pm

£12 per session

Heatherside Community Centre Martindale Avenue, Camberley, GU15 1BB

No drop-ins. Pre-book and pre-pay your place online. For more information and booking, please visit **www.yogawithedyta.com** or email **hello@yogawithedyta.com** for inquiries.



Sound Bath at Heatherside

slow down, unwind and immerse yourself in the healing power of sound & silence

Wednesday, 8:00 - 9:00 pm £12 per session

Haven House at Heather Ridge Infants School Martindale Ave, Camberley GU15 1AY

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POLITE NOTICE



Please treat our staff with the same respect you would expect to receive.

Verbal and physical abuse will not be tolerated, in person or on the telephone.

We reserve the right to ask anyone giving verbal abuse to members of staff to leave the premises or end a telephone call. (The conversation will be continued at a more suitable time).

Please remember that all our staff are always trying their best and are here to help you and your children.

