



THE
COWPLAIN
SCHOOL





WELCOME TO THE COWPLAIN SCHOOL

Work hard. Enjoy learning. Achieve highly.

We support all our students to make fantastic progress and achieve highly by getting to know each one as an individual. It is this focus on knowing and developing each young person's talents and aspirations that forms our unique offer. Our students are happy and leave us as well rounded citizens, having enjoyed a great education and all the opportunities The Cowplain School offers.

Current and prospective parents are welcome to visit us at any time to experience our vibrant school and see why we are so proud of our superb students.

We look forward to meeting you.

Mr I R Gates

Headteacher

“ Our daughter has thrived due to her balance of study, extra-curricular activities and support from teachers and co-educators. We would recommend the school to anyone! ”

PARENT

“ Principled and aspirational leadership has ensured that pupils benefit from a well-rounded education and strong pastoral care. ”

“ Morale amongst pupils and teachers is high. ”

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At The Cowplain School we value:

- Academic success and progress
- Impeccable behaviour and smart appearance
- Respect, manners and courtesy
- The ability to accept challenge
- Resilience and perseverance
- Independent thinking and creativity
- Great teamwork and strong leadership
- Tolerance and acceptance of diversity

👂 Pupils are polite and respectful towards each other, their teachers and visitors. They are proud of their school, wear their uniform well and take good care of the environment. 🗣️

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ENCOURAGING STUDENTS TO BE THEIR BEST



“The Cowplain School has motivated and inspired me to be the individual I am today. The staff are supportive, helpful and always there for guidance. Work Experience provided the opportunity to work with children with complex needs and gave me the confidence to consider a career in teaching.”

IZZY BREACH, HEAD GIRL 2018-19



The Cowplain School encourages young people to develop skills of initiative, independence and resilience leading to excellent academic progress and achievement. School life provides a stimulating personal and intellectual challenge and students are encouraged to be their best and achieve highly.

We invest in structures to enable us to monitor the progress and welfare of all our students so they feel known as individuals and their achievements and successes are celebrated at every opportunity.

Exam results continue to show that students make good progress and are successful in a wide range of subjects. The offer of enrichment masterclasses and innovative Able and Ambitious programmes mean that, whatever their interests, young people are encouraged to grasp the opportunities open to them and understand that there are no limits to what they can achieve.

“ In lessons, teachers have high expectations and plan tasks that encourage pupils to participate well. ”

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“ Pupils value the strong relationships and the support they receive from staff. ”

“ The behaviour of pupils in lessons and around the school is typically good. ”

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AN OUTSTANDING CURRICULUM

The range of curriculum opportunities we offer our young people ensures that everyone is able to aim for excellence.

In Years 7 and 8 all students undertake a broad range of subjects before having the opportunity to refine their choice in Year 9. The range of options students can choose from is diverse and extensive, ranging from Dance to Drama and Music to Modern Foreign Languages. We place an importance on literacy and numeracy and the progress our students make in Maths and English is amongst the best in the area.

Many departments are also highly successful, including Geography and French, which regularly attain excellent progress measures, and Science, where students are taught in state-of-the-art laboratories, completely redesigned in 2016.

Our commitment to teaching Performing Arts has been recognised with an Artsmark Gold award from the Arts Council. We support Music by ensuring our GCSE students receive complementary peripatetic music lessons. PE lessons are taught on our brand new 3G all-weather pitch or our Multi Use Games Area and our teams are regularly successful in County competitions.

“Cowplain offers so many trips and staff are always willing to help in whatever way they can. The school provides many unique experiences which have helped me to grow as a person.”

BETH JONES, HEAD GIRL 2017-18

“Students appreciate the wide range of clubs and other activities on offer. These include a large variety of opportunities for pupils to develop their musical, artistic and dramatic talents.”

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“The curriculum provides a high level of challenge for all pupils and ensures that they are well prepared for the next steps in their education.”

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AN ENRICHING EXPERIENCE

Learning at school is not limited to the timetabled day and there are many opportunities for students to enhance their experience of school. Our extensive enrichment programme includes many sports such as football, netball, basketball, cricket, tennis, rugby, rounders, badminton, athletics and stoolball. Other activities include STEM Club, Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Rock Challenge and the school band Jukebox.

We have also created an innovative Able and Ambitious programme and offer a variety of trips to both local and Russell Group universities. Students are encouraged to take responsibility and participate in the decision making process through participation in The Cowplain School Council, becoming a Student Ambassador, or promoting Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM).

Every year we appoint senior students to become prefects and we hold rigorous interviews to appoint a Head Boy and Girl.



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UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH

We have strong links to the University of Portsmouth through our Able and Ambitious programme.





A SCHOOL WHERE EVERY CHILD IS KNOWN



When I was at junior school in Denmead, Cowplain staff came in to run an enterprise day. My team won the challenge and the activity gave me an insight into secondary school. The transition to Cowplain was easy and I soon went on Year 7 Camp where I made lots of new friends.

Since being at Cowplain I have taken part in athletics competitions, Sports and Science events at local universities, undertaken work experience and auditioned with Performing Arts-based professional companies.

I was selected to dance in Italy in the SAA England Squad and in 2018 competed in the Magic at Disneyland Paris, winning 1 silver and 5 gold medals. In 2019 I will compete for England in the World Dance Championships in Croatia.

The Cowplain School has supported me throughout my four years here and has helped me to build my confidence outside of dance.

BLUEBELL LANE, STUDENT



We pride ourselves on the relationships we build with each family in order to ensure our students are happy and work hard and we invest in support structures that enable children to thrive and make progress.

We know young people achieve when they are inspired and challenged whilst feeling happy and secure. The transition into Year 7 can be both an exciting and unsettling time for students and their parents but, with new challenges to face and new friends to meet, our

“Cowplain is a harmonious school, where individuals matter and successes are celebrated.”

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students are encouraged and supported to grow as a community and quickly flourish.

Our transition work starts in Year 5. We work closely with each partner primary school to ensure we provide curriculum enhancement opportunities and enrichment for the younger pupils to engage and challenge them. Our Year 7 Camp in the New Forest takes place during the first few days of September to enable our new students to bond and grow as a year group.



“Teachers, friends and parents all work together and are really supportive. There is an amazing interaction between them. Everyone pulls together to ensure success.”

PARENT





READY FOR THE NEXT CHALLENGE

We aim for all students to leave The Cowplain School with a superb set of qualifications to ensure they will be well placed to continue on the next stage of their journey. They will also have developed lifelong friendships and shared in each other's success. Students leave us with recognition of the importance of ambition, hard work and independence ready to accept the reward and challenge of any career path they have chosen.

We believe that The Cowplain School is an environment in which children are known as individuals, where talents and achievements are recognised and nurtured, and where children make great progress

and achieve success. Our aim is to prepare them for the next step in their journey and the fresh and exciting challenges ahead.

Being a student at Cowplain has definitely been an unforgettable experience for me. I have learnt so much from my teachers and tutors over the 5 years. I love the school and it has only made me more enthusiastic to attend college and build on the foundations my teachers at Cowplain have given me.

**BETH JONES,
HEAD GIRL 2017-18**



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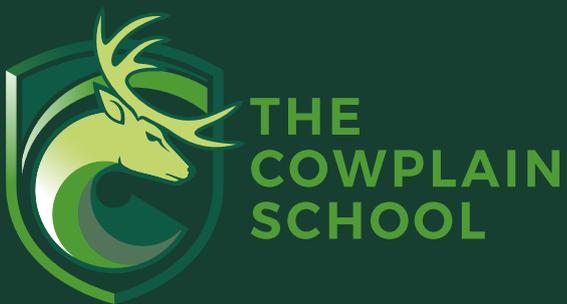
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▣ The percentage of pupils achieving success in the subjects that make up the English Baccalaureate (English, mathematics, science, a foreign language and humanities) is above the national average. ▣

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