

THE COOPERS' COMPANY AND COBORN SCHOOL

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Re: Launch of the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

Dear parent(s)/carer(s)

This morning we launched the EPQ programme with the Year 12 cohort.

The EPQ is a stand-alone qualification where students complete an extended university-style dissertation and associated project over an extended period, supported by an in-school Project Supervisor. It is a highly independent qualification and is not suitable for all students.

Students will be asked to join a competitive application process for the qualification, but it is hoped that we are able to support as many students as possible.

The deadline for applications is in 10 days' time on **Friday 7th February at 5pm**; this is deliberate to ensure that student applications are completed before half term holiday. The application process was explained in detail to all students this morning and all the details are on their Google Classroom page. If your son/daughter is interested in pursuing the EPQ then they will have a substantive amount of work to complete over the next 6-12 months, in addition to A Level study; it is important that we stress this at this point. Similarly, they must devote time to putting forward a competitive application.

If successful, your son/daughter will be notified in late February/early March

A detailed student guide to the EPQ has been produced by AQA, if you would like to access this, please <u>click here</u>.

Additionally, a short video has been produced explaining the qualification and its benefits; please click here

All of this information is being explained to your son/daughter in an assembly this morning.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at the school if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

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