



Cults Academy Weekly Update



Friday 9 October 2026

Change of School Phone Number

During the October holidays, we will be moving to a new telephone network. As part of this change, Cults Academy will have a new main telephone number from

Monday 26 October 2026:



01224 455075

We would be grateful if you could update the school number saved in your phone/contacts ahead of the change.



S1 Extracurricular Fair

Today at lunchtime our S1s came along to a fair which showcased all of the extracurricular groups that are on offer in school. There was a real buzz in the assembly hall with staff and pupils welcoming them to try out different activities.

There are a wide range of activities on offer, with more being added all the time. You can find more information about all the clubs that run on our [website](#).

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Guinness World Record Attempt

The National Literacy Trust and the British Council are attempting a new Guinness World Records title for “the most people reading together online over 12 hours.”

All S1 pupils at Cults Academy excitedly participated in this on Thursday 8 October, as part of the National Year of Reading 2026 and the National Literacy Trust’s Take 10 to Read campaign. Pupils enjoyed a really lively remote author visit from Nathaneal Lessore and then completed 10 minutes of independent reading during the session. As pupil Ed said, "It felt like being part of something bigger and it was a fun experience!" This reading session will contribute to setting the new world record. We won't know the outcome of this attempt until it has been reviewed and confirmed - hopefully by the end of October.



Scottish Schools Skiing Success

Congratulations to our Cults Academy ski team of Amelie M, Daniel M, Oliver R and Ava S, who represented the school at the Scottish Schools Snowsports Association Dryslope Championships this week.

The team finished an excellent 4th in the mixed team competition, missing out on a podium place by just 0.17 seconds. Competing against 30 teams, they finished 7th overall and have qualified for the British Schools Championships in November.



There was also individual success for Amelie M, who was crowned Scottish Schools Champion after winning the S4-6 Girls Individual Competition.

A fantastic achievement by all four skiers. We wish them the very best of luck at the British Schools Championships, which are being held in Scotland this year.

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SSSA Road Race

Well done to Isla B for representing Cults Academy at the SSAA Road Race Championships 2026 held at Pittencrieff Park, Dunfermline on Wednesday 7th October. Competing against 155 runners in her race, Isla put in a great performance representing the school brilliantly throughout the event. Events such as these bring together pupils from across Scotland, providing a great opportunity to test yourself against strong competition and gain valuable racing experience. Well done, Isla!



First Place in Gaelic Poetry Recital

Oliver Pepper (5R5) came first in the Gaelic poetry recital section at the Aberdeen Local Mod at Harlaw Academy on the 26th of September. Oliver recited the poem Nam Aonar Le Mo Smaointean by Iain Macleod clearly and confidently. His passion for the language has led to him studying for his National 5 Gaelic qualification during his S5. Well done, Oliver!

Well done to all of the pupils who represented Cults Academy in sports fixtures this week.



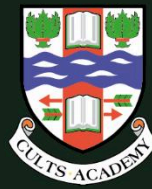
Fixture Results @ Cults Academy



Senior Basketball		05/10/2026	v Robert Gordon's College	Win
S1 Football		06/10/2026	v Robert Gordon's College	Win
S3 Football		06/10/2026	v Portlethen Academy	Loss
Senior Football		07/10/2026	v Albyn School	Win
S2 Football		07/10/2026	v Aberdeen Grammar School	Loss
Senior Basketball		08/10/2026	v Ellon Academy	Win

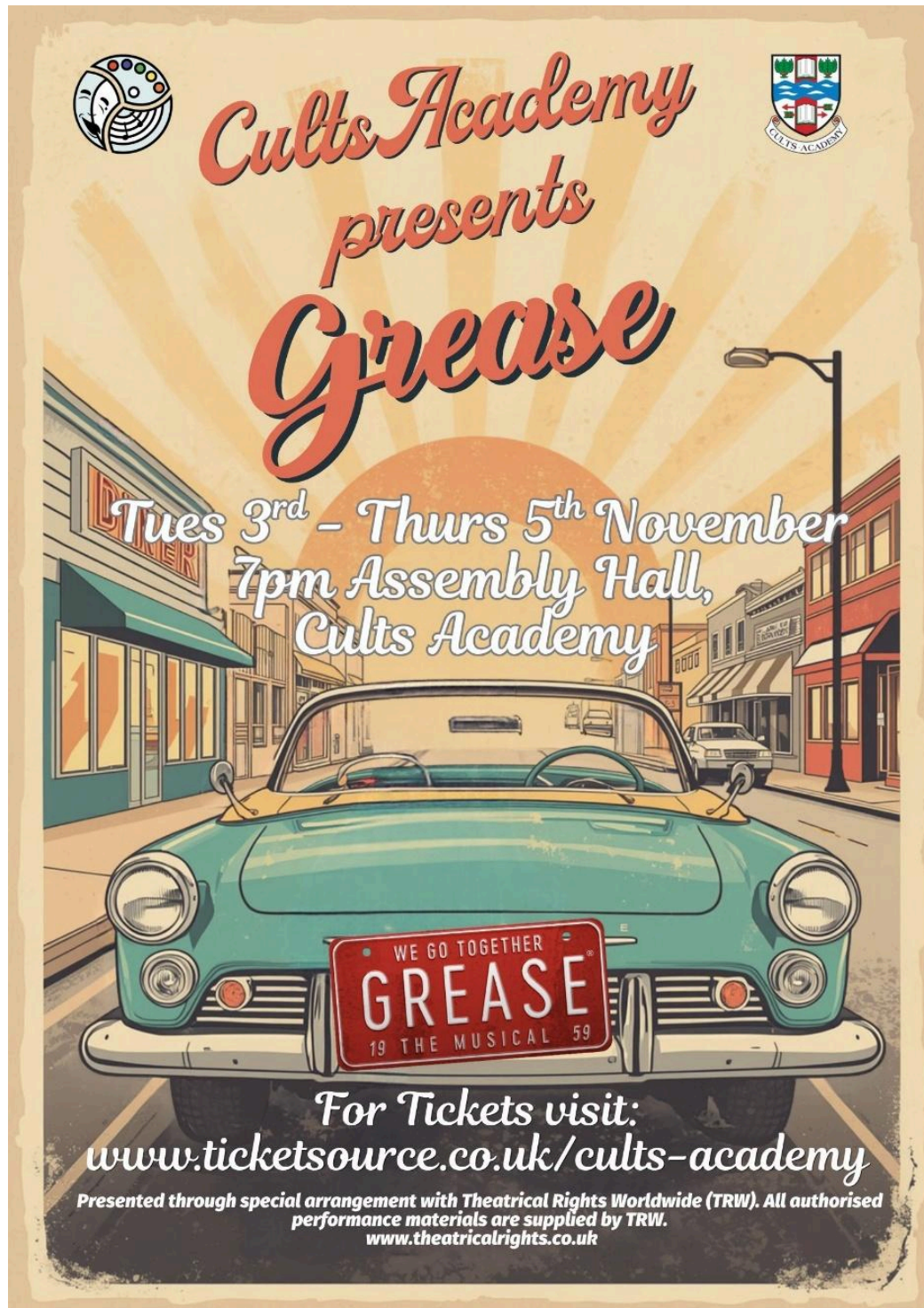
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School Show – Grease – Tuesday 3rd to Thursday 5th November

We are excited to share details about how to buy a ticket for our school show. See the poster below for more information. Book your tickets by clicking [here](#).



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CULTS ACADEMY PTA

QUIZ NIGHT!



Get your team together
for a night of fun, laughs
and a great cause!



FRIDAY
30TH OCTOBER



DOORS OPEN
7.00PM



CULTS ACADEMY
STAFF ROOM

TEAMS OF

4-6

£20 PER
TABLE TO ENTER



LICENSED
BAR



DRINKS &
SNACKS
WILL BE AVAILABLE
TO BUY

All are welcome!

A relaxed, friendly evening -
let's make it a good one!



FOR TICKETS, PLEASE EMAIL:
CultsAcademyPTA@outlook.com

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Police Scotland Youth Volunteers – Applications Open



We have been asked by Police Scotland to share an opportunity for young people aged 13–15 to apply to join the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV), with spaces currently available in the Aberdeen and North Aberdeenshire groups.

PSYV gives young people the opportunity to develop confidence, gain new skills, work as part of a team, support their local community and gain an insight into policing. It can also provide valuable experience for future education, training and employment.

Applications are open until 31 October 2026 at 6.00pm, and all of the required application forms must be completed.

Full information, including details of how to apply, can be found in the [Police Scotland Youth Volunteers recruitment leaflet](#).

RGU Online Webinar Series



We have been asked by Robert Gordon University (RGU) to share details of a series of online webinars for pupils and parents. The sessions provide an opportunity to hear from academic staff, current students and industry experts, as well as find out more about courses and the UCAS application process.

Upcoming webinars cover a range of areas, including:

- Paramedicine, Nursing, Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy
- Biomedical Science
- UCAS applications for September 2027
- School of Health interview preparation
- Portfolio guidance for Gray's School of Art applicants

The webinars can be accessed from home and are free to sign up for online via this [link](#).

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RGU SWIM & CLIMB

Free 1 hour Family Swimming Sessions



Saturday 17th & 24th October



**11am - 12pm
12pm - 1pm**



Sunday 18th & 25th October



**10am - 11am
11am - 12pm**



Free 1 hour Climbing Sessions

(Bouldering wall) 9:00am-3:00pm

Capacity: 8 max participants per hour

Children under 16 years old must be accompanied by an adult at all times



Tuesday 13th & 20th October



9:00am-3:00pm



Thursday 15th & 22nd October



9:00am-3:00pm



Friday 16th & 23rd October



9:00am-3:00pm

Any enquires please contact RGU;
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***No booking necessary, the swimming and climbing sessions are on a first come, first served basis**