



Co-op Academy  
Leeds

Academy Life



July 2024



50 of our students had an amazing time taking on the Junior Warrior assault course. This was a reward for their hard work and commitment to sports clubs and teams this year.



Do what  
matters most



Be yourself,  
always



## Message from the Headteacher

Celebrating a Year of Growth and Achievement  
at Co-op Academy Leeds

As we approach the end of another academic year at Co-op Academy Leeds, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude as I reflect on the journey we have all undertaken together. This year has been a testament to our diligence, our spirit of community, and our unwavering commitment to excellence.

One of the highlights of this year has been our continued focus on academic excellence. Our students have demonstrated exceptional dedication and hard work, resulting in some impressive achievements across all year groups.

Beyond academics, this year has been filled with a wide range of events and activities that have enriched our school community. Our community Iftar event was a particular highlight and we are excited about welcoming more parents and members of the community into school next year. The spirit of giving and the sense of community have never been stronger, and I am proud of the compassion and generosity shown by everyone at Co-op Academy Leeds.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, we are excited about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. We will continue to strive for excellence in all areas, ensuring that every student at Co-op Academy Leeds has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

In closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our students, staff, parents, and the wider community for their unwavering support and commitment to our school. Together, we have achieved so much, and together, we will continue to build a bright and successful future for Co-op Academy Leeds.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer break.

Natalie Jones

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Natalie Jones'.

Succeed  
together



Thanks to Borderline Books for all the amazing books you have donated. It has made a massive difference to our school library. Reading for pleasure makes a big difference to student's educational performance.



We are trialling having 'Dash' a Miniature Dachshund dog based in school due to the below benefits to students...

- \* Increase their confidence and support their wellbeing.
- \* Improve their mood and engagement.
- \* Increase their desire to read and write when working in Dash's presence.
- \* Improve their ability to self regulate around Dash.
- \* Learn about positive and negative cues, social cues and boundaries.



We had our first face-to-face listening campaign for the Roma community.

It was a successful event with 49 attendees, and we obtained some really good insights into Roma's lifestyle.

Thank you, Mr Mailat and Miss Radu, for organising this event!



Lillia Tariket represented Co-op Academy Leeds at the Young Musician of the Year contest where she competed in the finals. 21 finalists were chosen out of around 200 others and the competition was fierce but Lillia performed amazingly and came away with the prize for best KS4 singer.

Lillia has a very bright future ahead of her and she has done us all very proud.



We are delighted to have been awarded the school of sanctuary award which celebrates our commitment to creating a culture of welcoming, understanding and belonging to any student that has been forced to flee.

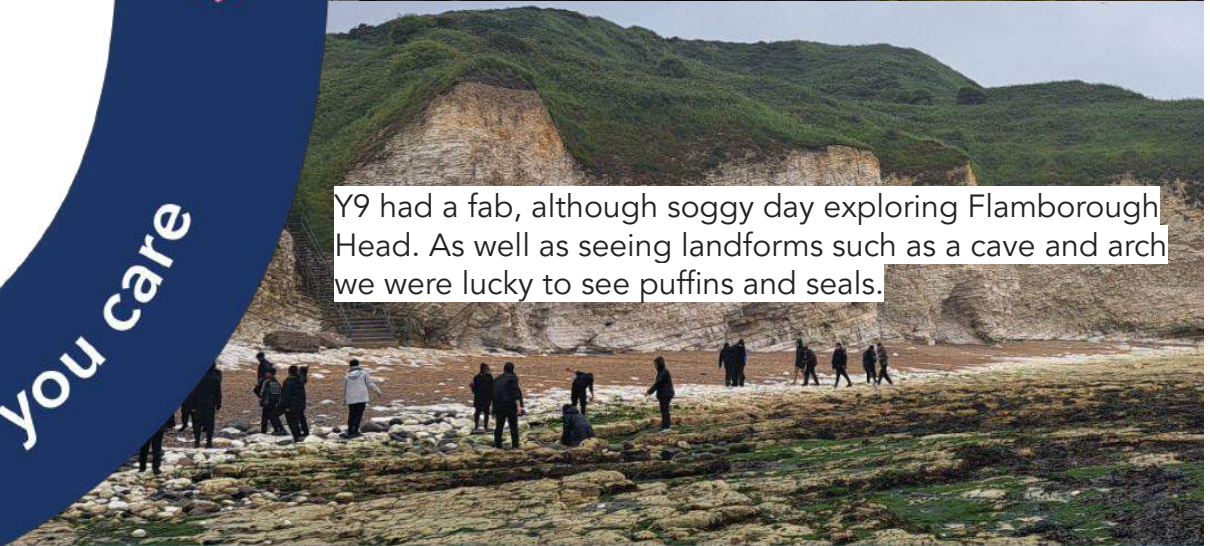




A fab but wet walk in the Dale's saw Y8 head to the waterfall Janet's Foss and also come across some local wildlife.



Y9 had a fab, although soggy day exploring Flamborough Head. As well as seeing landforms such as a cave and arch we were lucky to see puffins and seals.



Y8 had a great time exploring the woods and river near Bolton Abbey, they even braved the stepping stones. Well done to all who went, they had a great day.





Citizens UK invited us to join their Citizens Manifesto assembly on Monday 1st July. Four of our Year 10 (new Year 11) students had the opportunity to travel to London to join thousands of other community groups from across the UK present the Citizens Manifesto to representatives from the 3 main parties, including Angela Rayner, the current Deputy Leader of the Labour Party. It was an excellent and inspiring evening, and we are proud to offer our voice to promote change in society.



Students have enjoyed their day at Sky Studios in London where they learnt about the different job roles available. They also enjoyed filming their own news bulletin on diversity, ethnicity and inclusion.



### West Yorkshire Police - VR Session

A group of Year 8 students took part in a VR session with West Yorkshire Police about youth violence and knife crime. They were faced with virtual scenarios where they had to make a choice as to what they would do, and were then able to see the consequences of the actions they chose.





# Farewell Year 11!



# SPORTS NEWS

All the latest sports news from Co-op Academy Leeds

We have had some awesome sports day action. Lots of school records broken and hundreds of medals awarded. Well done to all that took part and especially those that managed to secure a medal.



# Tutor Group Sports Competitions

Students in Years 7-10 will be took part in tutor Softball/Rounders competitions. Softball winners (7.2, 8.2, 9.4 and 10.3) and the Rounders winners (7.5, 8.5, 9.4 and 10.5). Brilliant play all round!

Below: Our Y7 football team after their first win and our Y11 team after their final win. Time flies!





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In Art, Year 8 made masks.

**LEEDS SCHOOL UNIFORM EXCHANGE**

**FREE SECONDHAND SCHOOL UNIFORM**

*breeze*  
In the Park

**BREEZE POP UP SHOPS**

Thurs 25 July: West Park RUFC, LS16 9JR (11am-530pm)  
 Fri 26 July: Queens Park, Pudsey, LS28 7FB (12-530pm)  
 Mon 29 July: Armley Park, LS12 3LW (12-530pm)  
 Tue 30 July: Harehills Park, LS9 6ND (12-530pm)  
 Wed 31 July: Cross Flatts Park, Beeston, LS11 7BQ (11am-530pm)  
 Sat 3 Aug: Western Flatts Cliffe Park, LS12 4HG (11am-530pm)  
 Mon 5 Aug: Haslewood Park, Burmantofts, LS9 7UZ (12-530pm)  
 Thurs 8 Aug: Tinshill Recreation Ground, LS16 6BN (12-530pm)  
 Fri 9 Aug: Hainsworth Park, Farsley, LS28 5ES (12-530pm)  
 Mon 12 Aug: East End Park, LS9 9NG (11am-530pm)  
 Wed 14 Aug: Potternewton Playing Fields, LS7 2EE (12-530pm)  
 Sat 17 Aug: Bramley Park, LS13 3PG (12-530pm)  
 Mon 19 Aug: Springhead Park, Rothwell, LS26 0DY (12-530pm)  
 Tue 20 Aug: Seacroft Village Green, LS14 6JS (12-530pm)  
 Wed 21 Aug: Primrose Valley, Halton Dean, LS15 7JS (12-530pm)  
 Thurs 22 Aug: Manston Park, Cross Gates, LS15 8HA (12-530pm)



Have a wonderful summer break  
and we'll see you back  
in the Academy in September.

**Co-op Academy Leeds**

*in the community*

**Every Friday**  
**8:30AM - 10AM**

**Food & Clothing Bank**  
**Academic Support and Advice**  
**Pastoral Support**  
**Debt Advice**

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**NEWS**

Calling all budding journalists, please contact Miss Jones if you have any article suggestions or would like to be involved in co-creating the newsletter?



At Co-op Academy Leeds we are ambitious for ourselves and our diverse communities - we will endeavour to make the world a better place through our actions.

We will be determined to succeed and show respect, kindness and integrity to everyone, everyday.

United by our co-operative values.

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We're working towards Artsmark Awarded by Arts Council England



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