Co-op Academy Leeds

Academy Life



April 2026



Year 11 students visited Leeds University for a day of grade 7-9 mathematics!

The students had a really inspirational day touring the different faculties, preparing for their upcoming GCSEs and speaking to university ambassadors who use mathematics in their current degrees!

It was a truly uplifting day filled with hope, powerful knowledge and inspiration!

Well done Year 11 and thank you to teachers who attended.

Do what matters most

Be yourself, always

Show you care

Succeed together





Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers, and Students,

As we approach the end of a remarkably busy and productive Spring Term, I find myself reflecting on the collective achievements of our Academy community since January. It has been a term defined by hard work, and before we break for the Easter holidays, I would like to celebrate the dedication of our students and the constant support of our families.

From the classroom to the sports field, our students have continued to embody our core values of **ambition and resilience**. I have been particularly heartened by:

- **Examination Preparation:** Our Year 11 cohort have shown immense focus during their recent mock series. You have laid the groundwork; now is the time to trust your preparation.
- **Extra-Curricular Success:** Whether in the library, on university trips, the music rooms, or on the pitch, it is wonderful to see our Academy culture thriving beyond the formal curriculum.
- **Community Spirit:** - our Annual Community Iftaar was such a special event - thank you so much to everyone who contributed to its success!

The Importance of Rest

Whilst the upcoming break is a vital revision window for our exam year groups, I cannot overstate the importance of genuine rest.

To our students: please use this time to step away from your screens, spend time outdoors, and recharge. We want you back in the Summer Term feeling refreshed and ready for the final push. To our families: thank you for your continued partnership—the link between home and school remains the foundation of our students' success.

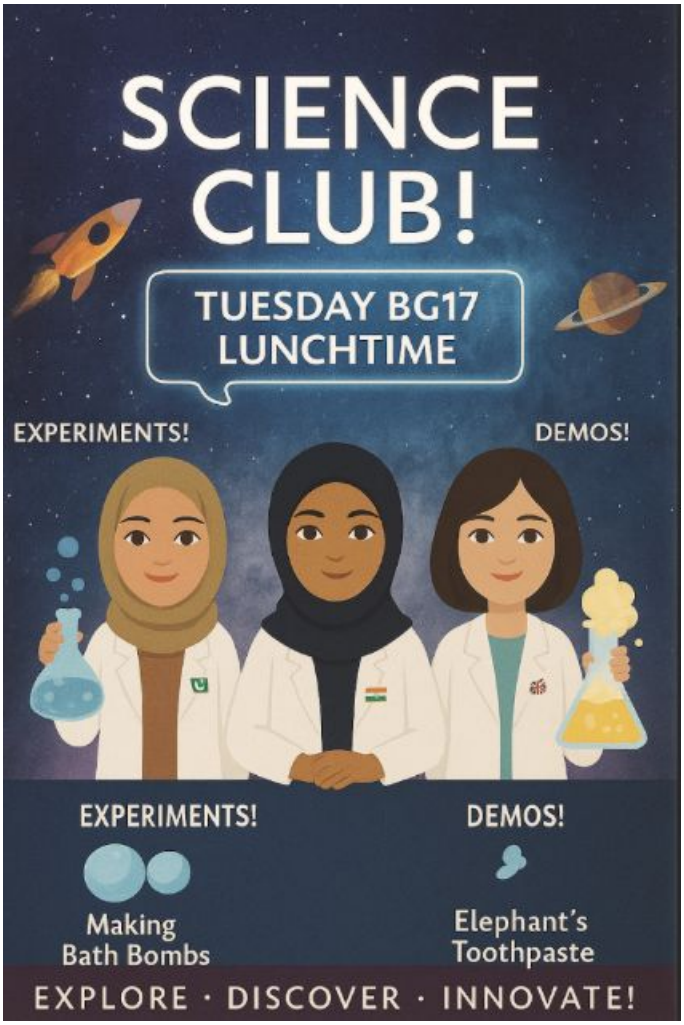
Key Dates & Reminders

- **Last Day of Term:** Thursday 2 April
- **Academy Reopens:** Monday 20 Apri.

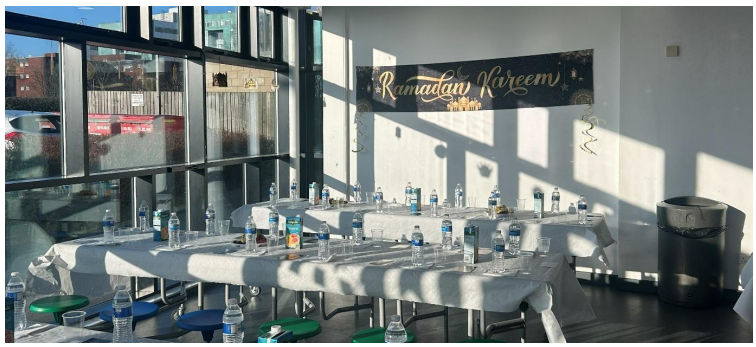
I wish you all a peaceful, safe, and very happy Easter break.

Warmest regards,

Miss N. Jones
Headteacher



Community Iftaar 2026



A community iftar event was successfully organised at the school by Miss Mahmood, Mr Ali, and Mrs Smail, bringing together around 150 students, family members, and local community members. The evening was filled with a warm and welcoming atmosphere, celebrating unity and togetherness during Ramadan. Students played an active role in the event, delivering beautiful performances such as Quran recitation, which added a meaningful and spiritual touch to the gathering. In addition to sharing a meal, the event also focused on giving back, with funds being raised to support humanitarian efforts in Palestine. Overall, the iftar was a memorable occasion that strengthened community bonds and highlighted the values of compassion and generosity.



These are the entries for the KS3 Curiosity Projects. We asked students to think of a Physics question and make a display of what they found out during their research.

The winners will be going to the next round. Well done to all that entered.

Co-op Academies Trust Spelling Bee

Students from across Co-op Academies Trust came together for our Trust Spelling Bee Final, showcasing their spelling skills, teamwork and nerves of steel in front of a lively audience.

Unfortunately, we didn't walk away with the top prize this time, but our students represented the academy with incredible grace, determination, and sportsmanship. Every participant pushed themselves to the limit, tackling complex words that would leave most adults scratching their heads! We couldn't be prouder of how they supported one another under the spotlight.





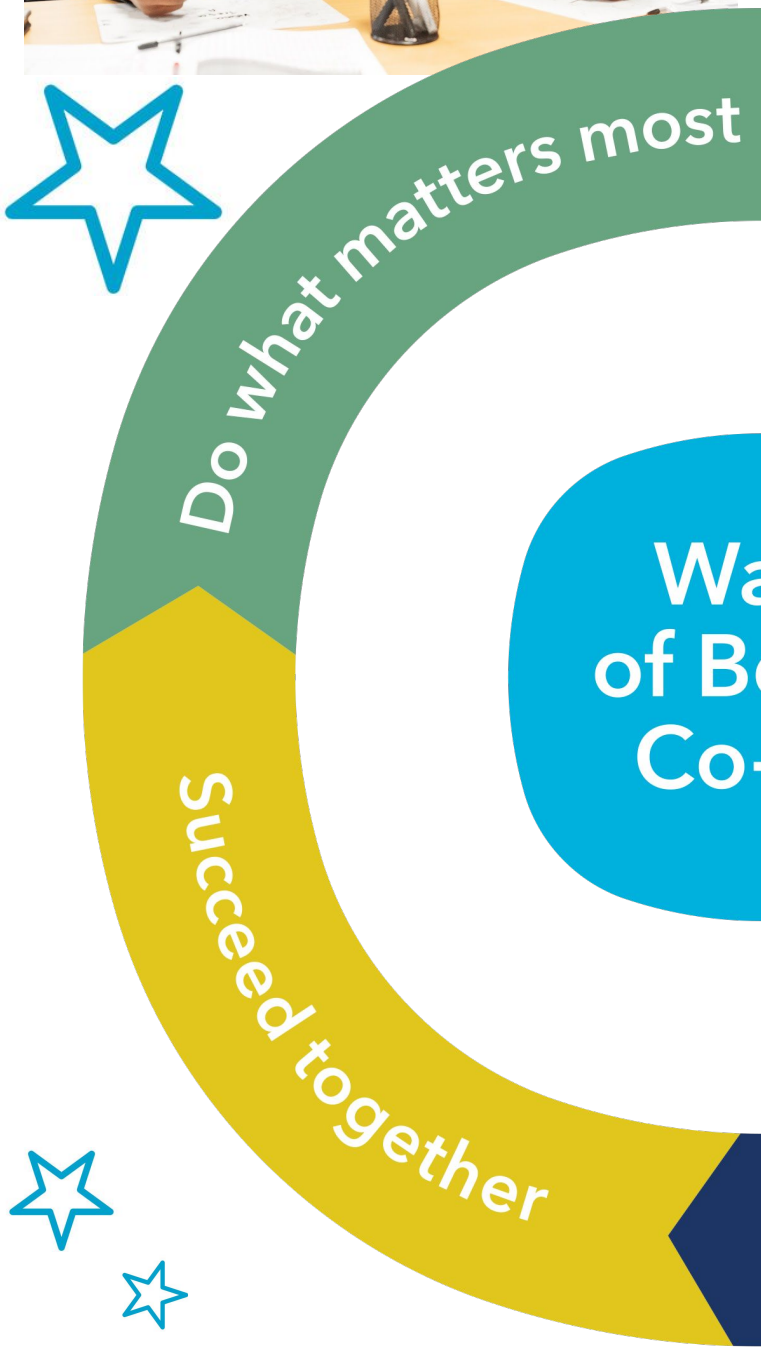


Students in the BRIDGE have been developing their confidence and independence through travel training in the local community.

They have been learning key life skills such as road safety, crossing roads, planning routes, and using local shops.

It has been fantastic to see students grow in confidence, especially those who had never crossed a road before now doing so more independently.

Students also successfully visited shops, bought items, and worked out their change. This has been a really positive experience, helping students build important life skills and confidence in the community.



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Schools working together to be zero carbon



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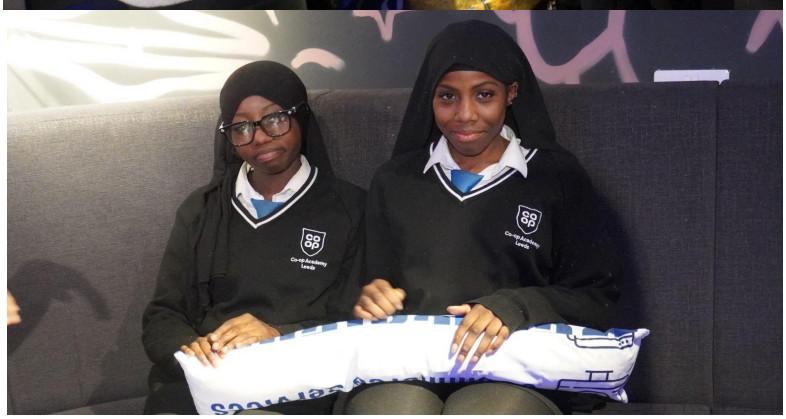
Show you care



Small Steps, Big Impact!

Our KS3 environmental enthusiasts recently attended a local Eco-Conference to dive deep into the challenges of climate change. After discussing global solutions, the students got practical by hand-making bespoke draught stoppers. We are incredibly proud to share that these weren't just for show—the students have donated their finished work to charity to help local homes stay warm and energy-efficient this winter.





Year 9 REACH project WPV to GXO Heinz in Wigan





BASE News



Our KS3 students have been exploring the rich traditions of Aboriginal art, drawing inspiration from its symbolic patterns, storytelling techniques, and deep connection to the natural world.

Through their work, students have experimented with dot painting and earthy colour palettes to create striking pieces that reflect both personal expression and cultural appreciation.

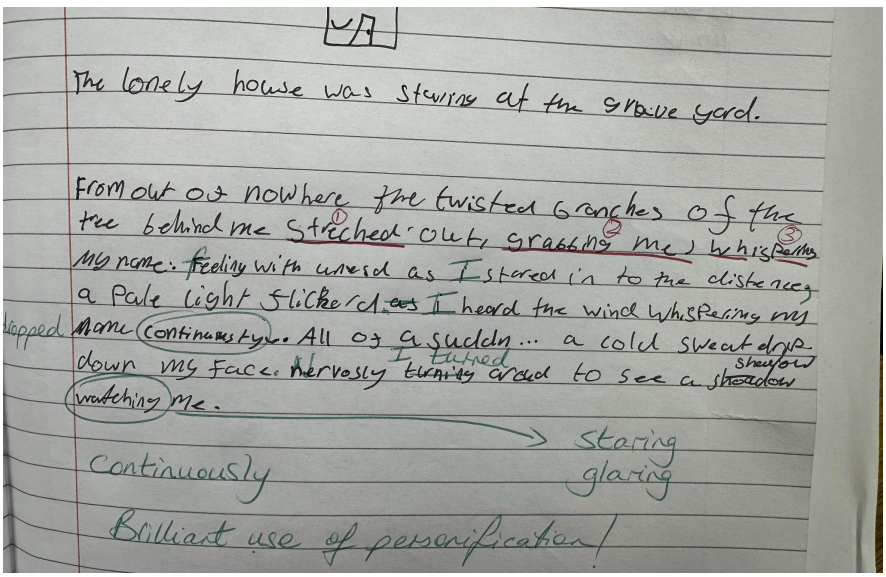
The resulting artworks showcase not only their creativity and growing technical skills, but also their thoughtful engagement with one of the world's oldest continuous artistic traditions.



Our students have recently begun taking part in boxing sessions, using this exciting new activity to support their physical health, emotional regulation, and teamwork skills.

These sessions provide a positive outlet for energy while helping students build discipline, resilience, and confidence.

It has been fantastic to see them encouraging one another, working together, and embracing the challenges with such enthusiasm.



The lonely house was staring at the grave yard.

From out of nowhere the twisted branches of the tree behind me stretched out, grabbing me, whispering my name. Feeling with unease as I stared in to the distance, a pale light flickered as I heard the wind whispering my name (continuous tone). All of a sudden... a cold sweat drip down my face. Nervously turning around to see a shadow watching me.

stopped

I turned

shadow

staring
glaring

Continuously

Brilliant use of personification!

Our KS3 students are beginning to explore their creativity through an exciting range of early creative writing. From simple descriptive pieces to the first stages of short storytelling, students are starting to develop confidence in shaping characters, settings, and ideas. Their work shows a positive willingness to experiment with language and imagination, laying strong foundations for future progress in crafting thoughtful and engaging writing.

Year 11 GCSE maths students had an amazing day at Shine preparing for their upcoming exams!

Students completed lots of key maths topics and revised strategic ways to answer exam questions so they can maximise progress for their GCSEs. They also had lots of competitions and a really fun and rewarding time!

















Thanks to all the teachers who supported and well done to Year 11!

SPORTS NEWS

All the latest sports news from Co-op Academy Leeds



Very proud of our Y10 boys football team after their 4-3 win. Well done to all the players!

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Extra Curricular Sport

Time: Tuesday- Friday 3:05pm-4:15pm

Day	Activity	Year Group	Location	Staff
Tuesday	Netball (Girls)	All Years	3G	Miss Bluck
	Football (Boys)	Y9	3G	Mr Pitts
	Volleyball (Mixed)	All Years	Sports Hall	Mrs Broadley
Wednesday	Basketball (Girls)	All Years	Sports Hall	Miss Bluck
	Football (Boys)	Y7/8	3G	Mr Rayner
Thursday	Football (Girls)	All Years	3G	Miss Bluck
	Fitness (Mixed)	All Years (30 max)	Gym	Mrs Broadley
	Basketball (Boys)	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Pitts
Friday	Football (Boys)	Y10/11	3G	J.Driscol (LUFC)
	Badminton (Mixed)	All years (30 max)	Sports Hall	Mr Pitts
	Sports Studies Support	Y10/11	CG1	Mr Rayner



Year 11 Revision April 2026



Monday 13th April

Subject	Time	Offer
English	10:00 - 12:00 12:00 - 14:00	Targeted

Tuesday 14th April

Subject	Time	Offer
Maths	10:00 - 12:00	11X1 and 11Y1
Maths	12:00 - 14:00	Higher Further Maths Foundation 11Y2, 11Y3, 11X2 and 11X3

Wednesday 18th February

Subject	Time	Offer
Citizenship	10:00 - 12:00	11C/Cz1
Geography	10:00 - 12:00	Targeted 2-4
Geography	12:00 - 14:00	Targeted 4+
HSC	10:00 - 14:00	Targeted

Thursday 19th February

Subject	Time	Offer
Sport Studies	10:00 - 14:00	Targeted
French	10:00 - 14:00	All students for speaking question practice
HSC	10:00 - 12:00	Targeted
Spanish	12:00 - 14:00	All students for speaking question practice
Drama	12:00 - 14:00	All students
History	12:00 - 14:00	Targeted

Friday 20th February

Subject	Time	Offer
Business	10:00 - 12:00	Targeted
Computer Science	10:00 - 12:00	Targeted

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Ex Students,

We'd love to hear from you!

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PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2026

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE
Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA
Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN
2 Kids eat free from 27th March - 19th April 2026

BELLA ITALIA
Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE
2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with one paying adult

BILLS
Kids eat free Mon 30th March – Fri 10th April

BREWDOG
Kids eat free 28th March - 12th April 2026

CAFE ROUGE
Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

COCONUT TREE
Kids eat free Mon 30th March - Sun 19th April

CHIQUITO
Kids eat free during all schoool holidays

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES
Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

FARMHOUSE INNS
Kids eat FREE weekdays 30th March – 17th April

FRANKIE & BENNY'S
Kids eat FREE daily from 30th March - 17th April

FUTURE INNS
Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS
Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

IKEA
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS
Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

MORRISONS
Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

MARCO PIERRE WHITE
Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM
Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PIZZA HUT
Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm

PREMIER INN
2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO
Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PUREZZA
Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS
Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SUBWAY
Kids eat Free from the 6th - 13th April

SIZZLING PUBS
Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE
2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TGI FRIDAYS
Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK
Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE
2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

TURTLE BAY
Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend

WHITBREAD INNS
2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI
Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

Have a wonderful break!

We'll see you back in the academy on Monday 20th April 2026

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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