



Co-op Academy  
Leeds

Academy Life



July 2026



## Bonjour de Nice!

Our 10-day school trip to Nice was an absolutely unforgettable adventure! The students had an amazing time immersing themselves in the beauty and culture of the French Riviera, exploring stunning destinations like the glamorous principality of Monaco, the breathtaking medieval village of Èze, and the historic coastal charm of Antibes. The itinerary was packed with incredible activities, from a scenic boat trip along the azure coast and an exciting visit to the aquarium, to a cozy evening watching a movie at the local cinema. A true highlight of the journey was the educational exchange, where students visited local schools and actively took part in French lessons, making new friends and practicing their language skills in real-time. Everyone had a truly great time, coming home with wonderful memories and a newfound love for the South of France.

More pictures inside...

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Be yourself,  
always



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As we reach the end of this incredibly busy and productive term, I am filled with immense pride reflecting on everything our school community has achieved. This month has truly showcased our commitment to our co-operative values: doing what matters most, being yourself always, showing you care, and succeeding together. Our students have excelled not only in the classroom but across an inspiring range of regional and international experiences.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the staff members whose dedication makes these life-changing events possible, and to our students for their exemplary behavior, enthusiasm, and determination to succeed.

As always, we remain fiercely ambitious for our diverse community and will continue to endeavour to make the world a better place through our actions.

P.S. Calling all budding journalists! If you have any article suggestions or want to help co-create our upcoming newsletters, please do contact me directly.

Warmest regards,  
Miss N. Jones Headteacher, Co-op Academy Leeds

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## Maths Feast Triumph: Year 10 Students Shine at Bradford University

As part of the leadership programme with Maths Hub, Mrs. Pitan organises the Higher Prior Attainers workshop days and trips, in conjunction with the Advanced Mathematics Support Programme (AMSP), for various year groups for the academy. The aim is to ensure gaps are closed and learning overtime is not lost in mathematics during secondary school, that students continue to foster a passion for mathematics and aspire to university level. The programme on a whole, provides various enrichment opportunities for students across the school with raising their attainment and making more than expected progress.

On 6th July 2026, fourteen Year 10 students attended the AMSP Year 10 Day at Bradford University. Students were first welcomed by university delegates on the day and socialised in the Atrium where they took in the university experience. They then attended various workshops during the day with various other schools. Here they were exposed to GCSE content and had an opportunity to participate within a university context. It was really pleasing to see the confidence in our students and their contributions were praised as sound and well thought out.

Following on from this, students participated in a Maths Feast competition which was both fun and educational. This section of the day required students to apply their communication and team-work skills and they absolutely shone! The questions were challenging and required deep thinking. Students had the opportunity to work on problems which required them to interleave previous knowledge learnt with knowledge gained on the day to progress in various rounds. In teams of three/four, our students from Coop Academy Leeds, developed their problem-solving, group collaboration and teamwork skills effectively. Overall, Team A received a certificate for 1st place and Team C received 3rd placed, which was phenomenal for the students and teachers alike.

We would like to thank all the students in the following teams.

Team A - Ishrat, Jack, Hiba  
Team B - Blessing, Kaneez, , Mariya  
Team C - Farhad, Amaan, J'Andre, Justin  
Team D - Mohammed, Hasanain, Samuel, Abdulla

We would also like to thank the Maths Hub, AMSP team and The Coop Academy Leeds staff who made the day a success, namely, Mr. Blair, Miss. Walker, Mr. Jackson and Mrs. Pitan. Here's to many more life changing events which encourage students to believe in themselves and aspire to higher education which can give them more opportunities for choice in the future.



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## Geographers on the Go: From Coastal Cliffs to Countryside Rivers



It has been a busy and rewarding period for our Geography department as students swapped the classroom for the great outdoors to bring their classroom learning to life.

Our Year 10 geographers kicked things off with a trip to the Holderness Coast, analyzing the dramatic bays and headlands at North Landing before heading to Hornsea to measure the groynes and reward their hard work with fish, chips, and ice cream.

Our Year 8 students enjoyed a fantastic day investigating coastal environments at the seaside, while Year 7 swapped the coast for the beautiful countryside to study river features and ecosystems at Bolton Abbey.

A huge thank you to all of our students for their exemplary behavior and enthusiasm during these fantastic fieldwork experiences!

## History Meets Social Media The Battle of Hastings 2.0!



History lessons in the Bridge took a brilliantly creative turn recently! One of our students brought the Battle of Hastings (1066) to life by crossing it over with popular social media characters. By using familiar modern personalities to explain the historic clash, they made the famous battle incredibly engaging and relatable. It was a fantastic example of using outside-the-box creativity to master a history topic—well done!



This year, BRIDGE students have taken part in travel training within the local community. Students have developed important life skills to help them become safer, more confident and independent.

During the programme, students learned how to cross roads safely and use different pedestrian crossings. They visited local supermarkets, including Aldi, where they selected and purchased items, used self-service checkouts and calculated the correct change. Students also practised using good manners when speaking to members of the public and shop staff.

As part of their community visits, students used maps to plan routes and navigate local streets safely. These valuable experiences have helped students develop their communication, money and problem-solving skills. As a result, many students have become more confident and independent when travelling to and from school, including walking home safely.

Well done to all our BRIDGE students for their hard work and excellent progress!



This year, BRIDGE students have enjoyed taking part in practical cooking lessons. They have prepared and cooked a variety of dishes while developing important skills for life after school. Students have learned how to follow recipes, measure ingredients, use kitchen equipment safely and prepare food independently.

They have also developed their understanding of kitchen hygiene, healthy eating and cleaning up after cooking. These lessons have helped students improve their confidence, teamwork and independence while learning valuable skills they can use at home and in the future.

Well done to all our BRIDGE students for their hard work and fantastic progress!



### SEND Panathlon

Our SEND students proudly represented the school at the SEND Panathlon event, competing against pupils from other schools in a range of fun sporting activities. The students showed excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the event. Their hard work paid off as they achieved a fantastic third-place finish.

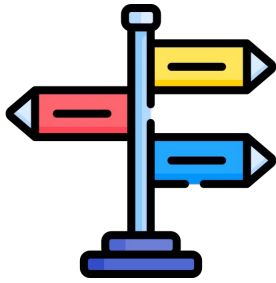
Well done, everyone!

## School Day

Please note changes to the school day from september

| Monday               |                                  |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 09:00 - 09:05        | Gate opens - transition to Tutor |
| 09:05 - 10:40        | PSHE                             |
| <b>10:40 - 11:00</b> | <b>Break</b>                     |
| 11:00 - 11:55        | Period 3                         |
| 11:55 - 12:50        | Period 4                         |
| <b>12:50 - 13:25</b> | <b>Lunch</b>                     |
| 13:25 - 14:20        | Period 5                         |
| 14:20 - 15:15        | Period 6                         |

| Tuesday - Friday     |                                  |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 08:15 - 08:25        | Gate opens - transition to Tutor |
| <b>08:25 - 08:50</b> | <b>Tutor Time</b>                |
| 08:50 - 09:45        | Period 1                         |
| 09:45 - 10:40        | Period 2                         |
| <b>10:40 - 11:00</b> | <b>Break</b>                     |
| 11:00 - 11:55        | Period 3                         |
| 11:55 - 12:50        | Period 4                         |
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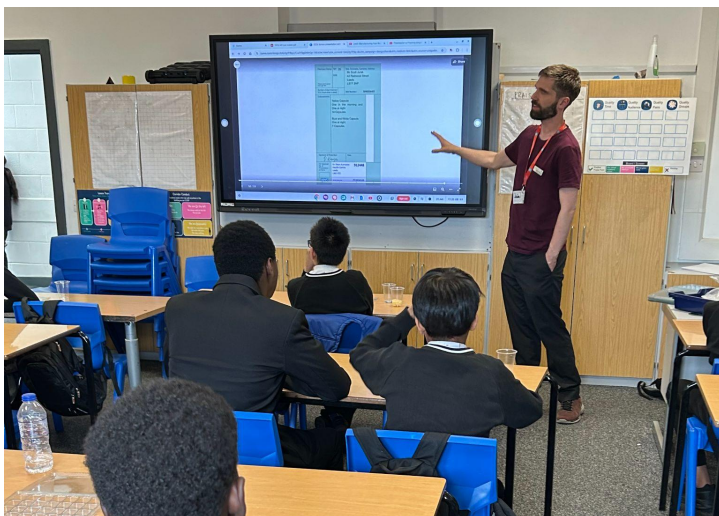


### Year 7 Careers Project: A Fantastic Effort!

Our Year 7 students recently put their hard work on display for the "Time for Change" Careers project. While we didn't take home the top prize this time, we couldn't be prouder of the incredible effort, creativity, and dedication our students poured into their work. High five to Year 7 for representing us so brilliantly!

### Lights, Camera, Action! Year 8 Channel 4 Workshop

Our Year 8 students had a fantastic day participating in the Channel 4 for Schools Careers Workshop. The energy was buzzing as students dived into the world of creative media, taking on meaningful, real-world tasks aligned with the industry. From brainstorming to problem-solving, it was an incredible opportunity for everyone to explore the exciting career paths the media sector has to offer!



### Year 9 Go on a "Career Safari"!

Our Year 9 students recently embarked on an exciting Career Safari event! The entire year group took part in interactive workshops, giving them the unique opportunity to encounter professionals from a diverse range of industries. Students gained invaluable insights into the Digital & IT, Banking, and Healthcare sectors, learning firsthand what it takes to succeed in these rapidly growing fields. It was a fantastic day of inspiration and future planning!



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### Return to school Schedule

Mon 31 Aug CLOSED - Bank Holiday

Tues 1st Sept CLOSED to Students - Training Day

Wed 2nd Sept CLOSED to Students - Training Day

Thur 3rd Sept - Year 7 ONLY - Welcome day for our new Year 7 cohort to help them settle in.

Friday 4th September - Year 7 & Year 11 ONLY - Year 7 transition continues, joined by Year 11 as they begin their crucial final year.

Monday 7th - All Year Groups



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**Every Friday**

**8:30AM - 10AM**

**Food & Clothing Bank**

**Academic Support  
and Advice**

**Pastoral Support**

**Debt Advice**



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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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