



Co-op Academy  
Grange

# PARENTAL NEWSLETTER

Be yourself,  
always

Do what  
matters most

Show  
you care

Succeed  
together

Notices for Week Commencing **19th January 2026**

Subject	From	Information
Food Pantry	Safeguarding	<p>We are excited to announce that we will be opening a Food Pantry here at Co-op Academy Grange for those families who may need some support in regards to FOOD and TOILETRIES.</p> <p>ALL items are free but will be restricted to amounts that can be given depending on the size of the family.</p> <p>The Food pantry will be open weekly so families can come on a weekly basis if this is needed.</p> <p>Our open day will be on Friday 13th March between 9 and 11am, here at our community Hub and will then open weekly from that point.</p> <p>It would be great to see families here at the open morning and then each week after, reminders will be sent leading up to this event.</p> <p>If you require any support before that event, you can reach out and get in touch with us via telephone or email.</p> <p>Kathryn Jones is the lady you need to ask for when you phone school or send her an email at <a href="mailto:Kathryn.jones@coopacademies.co.uk">Kathryn.jones@coopacademies.co.uk</a></p>
PSHCE	Miss Lee	<p>This half term in PSHCE students will be learning the following topics;</p> <p>Year 7 - Physical health &amp; mental wellbeing</p> <p>Year 8 - Celebrating Equality &amp; Diversity</p> <p>Year 9 - Relationships &amp; Sex Education *</p> <p>Year 10 - Relationships &amp; Sex Education **</p> <p>Year 11 - Physical health &amp; mental wellbeing</p> <p>* There are two lessons classed as sex education. Parents can withdraw their child(ren) from these lessons. Please email <a href="mailto:rachel.lee@coopacademies.co.uk">rachel.lee@coopacademies.co.uk</a> to discuss further.</p> <p>** There are no lessons classed as sex education during this unit, therefore parents do not have the legal right to withdraw their child(ren).</p>

		<p>The government guidance can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
Family Hub	FYI	<p><b>Have your say' - Best Start in Life and Family Hub logos</b></p> <p>The Family Hub Start for Life logo has been used in the Bradford District, since 2023, to label:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Family Hubs and their services for families with children of all ages,</li> <li>-Specific 'Start for Life' services for families who are pregnant or with babies and young children.</li> </ul> <p>When we introduced the Bradford District's 'Family Hub Start for Life' logo, we consulted with families, the workforce and partnership organisations to create the design.</p> <p>Following the government's introduction of a new 'Best Start in Life' national logo and website, we would like your help once again in co-designing how we adapt to this change.</p> <p>The new 'Best Start in Life' logo will be used nationally and locally to label advice and support for children's development, from pregnancy to childcare, right through to starting school.</p> <p>We now have the option of adopting a national 'Best Start in Life - Family Hubs' logo, or using a simpler 'Best Start in Life' logo alongside an updated version of Bradford District's own Family Hub logo.</p> <p>To take part in the co-design and have your say, please visit the <a href="#">feedback form</a> on the FYI website. The deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2026.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Link in full:</i>  <a href="https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk/s4s/AppFormDetails/FillForm/69441099832961a218efb313">https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk/s4s/AppFormDetails/FillForm/69441099832961a218efb313</a></p> <p><b>The website including online forms can be translated into over 130 languages and has many other accessibility features but if anyone does have any extra requirements or would like a paper version of the form, please email <a href="mailto:fyi@bradford.gov.uk">fyi@bradford.gov.uk</a> or call 01274 432626.</b></p>

<p>Mary Holt</p>	<p>Online safety</p>	<p>Online safety (1 minute guide for parents)</p> <p><b>Talk to your child about online safety, explain the dangers, and make sure their social media accounts are secure.</b></p> <p><b>Install parental controls so you can monitor what they access.</b></p> <p>The <a href="#">NSPCC</a> has produced the following helpful suggestions to help keep your child safe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Speak with your child about what they do online</li> <li>● Ask them to show you some of their favourite sites</li> <li>● Show an interest in who their friends are online</li> <li>● Ask them how they decide who to be friends with</li> <li>● Try and get them to friend you online too</li> <li>● Agree the amount of time they spend online and the sites they visit</li> <li>● Think about installing parental controls on their devices</li> <li>● Raise the issue of inappropriate content. Have they seen any?</li> <li>● Make sure they know how to report abuse online</li> </ul> <p>Children don't think of people they have met online through social networking and online games as strangers – they are just online friends. Point out that it's a lot easier for people to lie online than it is in real life. Ideally be friends with your child on social media, but if they resist, ask a friend or family member you both trust to try.</p> <p>Take an interest in your child's online activities in the same way you do with their offline activities. What is their criteria for choosing friends? How come they have so many? Don't be afraid to ask, as it's important to discuss online safety with them.</p> <p>Agree on some ground rules together. Consider the amount of time they are allowed to spend online, the websites they visit and the activities they take part in. Parent Zone have <a href="#">guides on different social media and gaming platforms</a>.</p> <p>Internet service providers (ISPs), such as Virgin Media, TalkTalk, Sky or BT, provide parental controls for laptops, phones, tablets, game consoles and other devices that connect to the internet. Parental controls help you filter or restrict what your child can see online.</p> <p>Check the privacy settings on your child's social media accounts to keep personal information private. Talk to them about what to do if they see worrying or upsetting content or if someone contacts them and makes them feel anxious or uncomfortable. Many websites have tools to report abuse – make sure they know about these too.</p> <p>There are some great websites to help you learn more about child online safety, such as <a href="#">Internet Matters</a>, <a href="#">Safer Internet</a> and <a href="#">Childnet</a>. If you are concerned about something, you can call the NSPCC's online safety helpline on <b>0808 800 5002</b>.</p>
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Science	S.Musa	<p>This is a reminder that there are <b>two weeks remaining until the February mock examinations</b>. To support our students with their preparation, we are running <b>afterschool intervention sessions on alternate Tuesdays</b>. The upcoming sessions will take place on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>27th January (pre mock week)</b></li> <li>● <b>10th February (mock week)</b></li> <li>● <b>3rd March</b></li> <li>● <b>17th March</b></li> </ul> <p>We strongly encourage students to attend these sessions, as they provide targeted support and revision to help them perform at their best.</p> <p>Past papers for combined science can be found of the following <a href="https://revisionscience.com/gcse-revision/science/science-gcse-past-papers/aqa-gcse-science-past-paper">https://revisionscience.com/gcse-revision/science/science-gcse-past-papers/aqa-gcse-science-past-paper</a></p> <p>Homework is provided weekly on Sparx science. Please encourage our students to complete this by Wednesday evening.</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support.</p>
English	K. Scofield	<p>English Language and Literature intervention: we have a group of 120 students targeted for the intervention after school, on Wednesdays every two weeks. This is to make sure that students meet their target grades in their GCSE exams. All students are invited to revision sessions on the same night. This term the interventions will take place on the following days: <b>28th January, 11th February, 4th March, 18th March</b>.</p>
Girls Football	M. Myers	<p>The year 9 girls football team had an away trip on Tuesday in their brand new kit, they won the first game 2-1 and their second game 5-1. Please congratulate them on their excellent efforts and hard work. Still undefeated!!</p>
FREE Bike Giveaway	Mary Holt	<p>We are excited to announce that we are again teaming up with ON TRAK to be able to host a FREE bike giveaway.</p> <p>We will be giving away bikes, scooters, toys and clothes, all items are FREE and this event will be held here at Co-op Academy Grange!</p> <p>This event will be taking place on <b>SATURDAY 14th MARCH 2026 at 10:30AM</b></p> <p>It will be a first come, first serve basis so please put it in your diary and arrive early to avoid any disappointment.</p>
Outstanding Uniform	Dina Hellewell	<p>At Grange we provide uniform for students to borrow when they have forgotten items. On occasions some students forget to return these items. Please can you support by looking for borrowed items at home and asking your child to return the items to school to avoid charges being put onto Parent Pay at the end of the term.</p>
PSHE	Jessica Washington	<p>Democratic Education Initiative</p> <p>Dear Parents and Carers,</p>

		<p>We are delighted to share with you the significant progress we are making this year in our push for Democratic Education. We believe it is vital for our students to understand their voice and how they can influence the world around them.</p> <p>Our Year 8 students have already enjoyed educational trips to City Hall, where they had the opportunity to see and learn first-hand about where local government happens.</p> <p>Furthermore, we have been privileged to host two distinguished visitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judith Cummins MP visited the school to meet with a panel of students, discussing her work as our local Member of Parliament.</li> <li>• Baroness Thornton of Manningham from the House of Lords shared insights into her role and how her position influences decisions made for Bradford during a session with our student panel.</li> </ul> <p>These experiences are invaluable in helping our students become engaged and informed citizens.</p>
Y7 Parents' Evening	Michael Taylor	<p>We are delighted to invite you to our Year 7 Parents' Evening on <b>Thursday 29th January, from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.</b></p> <p>As your child nears the midpoint of their first year with us, this is a fantastic opportunity to meet with their subject teachers and discuss their academic progress, engagement, and transition into secondary school life.</p> <p>Building a strong partnership between home and school is vital for student success, and it would be great to see you all there to celebrate your child's achievements across the curriculum.</p> <p>We look forward to seeing you and sharing the wonderful work our Year 7 students have been producing!</p>
KS3 Science Homework	Sanaa Sabir	<p>Homework for Year 7,8 and 9 is set every Wednesday on SPARX Science. Please ensure your child is completing this as there will be rewards for highest completions. Homework club every Tuesday at 3:20pm in room 232.</p>

