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Co-op Young  
Musician of the Year  
Competition!**

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Co-op Academy  
Swinton

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## Electricity Northwest Give Students an Engaging Masterclass

All our Year 7, 8 and 9 students were treated to a masterclass by Electricity Northwest. They were shown practical demonstrations to explain scientific concepts, many of which they were able to engage with to help further solidify their knowledge. A huge thank you to Electricity Northwest for their dedication to educate our students on the dangers and uses of electricity.



## Dates for your diary



**15 April 2024**

Academy re-opens for  
Summer Term 1 at 8:30

**29 April 2024**

Year 8 & 11 Assessment  
Week

**6 May 2024**

May Bank Holiday

**15 May 2024**

Year 7 Parents Evening

**15 May 2024**

Year 11 GCSE exams  
begin

**24 May 2024**

Academy closes for  
half-term at 3:05



## Daisy Allen Reaches Co-op Young Musicians Grand Final!

Talented Year 8 student, Daisy Allen, has reached the grand final of the Co-op Academies Trust's Young Musician of the Year award! Beating competition of over 200 students Daisy will now compete against the region's most talented musicians in the grand final. The event will take place on April 19th at Home Theatre in Manchester city centre.



## Year 10 Learn Essential Life Skills

Recently our Year 10 students have been learning essential life skills. During the term they have learnt how to joint a chicken thigh before making Chicken Goujons. Students have also had the chance to bake their own bread and continue to develop skills that will serve them throughout their adult lives.







## Year 8 Celebrate Pi Day!

A massive shout out to our fabulous year 8 girls, who went on a Pi hunt in order to celebrate Pi Day on the 14th March. Daisy, Georgia, Jasmine, Oliva and Francesca worked together to descramble a pi anagram in record time!



## Bunzl Donate Even More Equipment!

A huge thank you to Bunzl, our volunteer partners, and also to Amoria Bond for their donation of laptops. These laptops will be used by our students to aid them with their work and to help them to access the curriculum.



## Best Attending Form Group Treated To Movies and Snacks!

Thanks to their impressive attendance across the previous term form MAK were treated to a movie lunch with snacks! Their commitment and dedication to their learning ensured they were at the top of the attendance league earning a well deserved reward.



## Fred The Red Helps Year 11 Raise Funds

In a bid to raise funds for Year 11 prom. Fred The Red went between the sticks as students attempted to put a penalty past him. With prizes available to the student who scored the most points there were plenty of penalty takers. The funds raised will go directly to the Year 11 prom which will take place at the end of June.







## Our Staff Bring World Book Day To Life!

We want to give a big shoutout to our amazing team at Co-op Academy Swinton for their effort and dedication on World Book Day! From the teachers to the students, everyone put in so much effort to make the day a blast for the kids. Whether it was dressing up as their favorite characters or diving into exciting book activities, it was all about celebrating the joy of reading together. Thanks to everyone for making it such a fun and memorable day!

## Year 8 Just Miss Out on Podium Finish

Our Year 8 boys took part in the Manchester United Foundation Hub Tournament during the term. The boys played against 7 teams in their groups and came away with 4 wins and three loses. Giving them 4th place in their group. The boys worked incredibly hard as a group and came across some fantastic teams over the course of the morning. As a school community we are all very proud of them.



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## Year 10 Girls Inspired at Uni of Salford!

Adele Howarth took 9 Year 10 girls to an inspiring careers event at University of Salford, hosted by The Female Lead & partnered with GCHQ. They watched women in diverse fields, networked with STEM companies, and got cool freebies. Thanks to Manchester United Foundation for the opportunity!



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## Primary School Students Show Their Entrepreneurial Spirit

Over 100 primary school children had the chance to visit Co-op Academy Swinton via the Manchester United Foundation in a Dragon's Den event with each school pitching a Man Utd themed business idea.

Judged by our Dragons, Mrs Sparrow, Miss Daley, Mrs Chambers and Mr Chapman, some of the ideas included a match day bus package, a Man Utd themed energy drink and inclusive sportswear making sport more accessible to other ethnicities, faiths and cultures.

The winning idea in the end was a set of football boots that featured retractable studs allowing the boots to be used as regular trainers.

All the kids presented coherently with confidence and answered questions with well informed responses showing skills in planning, team work and presenting as they competed for a Dragon's investment.



## Northern Care Alliance Inspire Year 10

In celebration of International Women's Day, our Year 10 students were privileged to hear from distinguished guest speakers from the NHS Northern Care Alliance. These remarkable women shared insights into their diverse roles within the healthcare sector, offering invaluable glimpses into their career journeys. Through their inspiring stories and experiences, they not only shed light on the myriad opportunities available to aspiring professionals but also emphasized the importance of perseverance and determination in achieving one's goals. We are immensely grateful to these trailblazing individuals for their time and wisdom, enriching our students' understanding and aspirations for their own futures.





# Art Talent on Display Across The School

The latest showcase features astonishing works by Phoebe.S, Mia.S, Riley.H, Ruhab.U, and Abbie.W, showcasing their creativity and dedication. Acknowledging outstanding efforts, Miss Anderson rewards gold star stamps, with the promise that accumulating more stamps increases the likelihood of earning a coveted golden ticket. Congratulations to all students for their hard work and commitment to excellence in art!



## Year 11 Easter Revision Timetable

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Co-op Academy Swinton

#### Tuesday 2nd April

- French, 9am - 11am PAL
- Creative Media, 10am - 1pm RTO/CBX
- Drama, 9am - 1pm HCR

#### Wednesday 3rd April

- Sport Studies, 9:30am - 1:30pm JSI/RHU
- 9:30am - 11:30am Revision
- 11:30am - 1:30pm Coursework
- English Literature, 10am - 1pm RLO

#### Thursday 4th April

- English Literature, 10am - 12pm GBO/CDA/RLO/LTE/SWI/UAF

#### Friday 5th April

- Computer Science, 10am - 12pm RTO



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#### Monday 8th April

- Enterprise, 10am - 12pm CBX
- Design, 10am - 12pm MSA
- Maths, (Foundation), 10am - 12pm SBA
- Maths, (Higher), 10am - 12pm ABR/CCA
- Creative Media, (Yr 10 only), 10am - 12pm RTO

#### Tuesday 9th April

- Design, 10am - 12pm MSA
- Maths, (Foundation), 10am - 12pm ABR
- Maths, (Higher), 10am - 12pm SBA
- History, 10am - 1pm MJO

#### Wednesday 10th April

- Photography, 9am - 2pm ETX
- Art, 9am - 2pm CAN
- Spanish, 12:30pm-2:30pm MHE
- Maths, (Foundation), 10am - 12pm CWO
- Maths, (Higher) 10am - 12pm MTS

#### Thursday 11th April

- English Literature, 10am - 1pm FFA/JDA
- Geography, 11am - 1pm NRY
- Art, 9am - 2pm CAN
- History, 10am - 1pm MJO/RPI

#### Friday 12th April

- Biology, 10am - 12:30pm ABI



## Students Engage During National Science Week!

Our students had the chance to participate in lots of practical science experiments as part of National Science Week! Throughout the week they had the chance to engage in various activities such as designing rockets, dissecting fish and creating miniature gardens/fossils. A huge thank you to our Science department for their time and effort in making an incredible experience for our students that they definitely won't forget!





# THE MASKED READER



By popular demand as part of World Book Day we saw the return of The Masked Reader. After last year's success 5 members of staff donned new masks, being Pigeon, Witch, Unicorn, Dragon and Spiderman. Each day a new reader would be revealed with students guessing which member of staff was behind the mask. Congrats to Miss Bond's form for getting the most correct guesses and a huge thank you to Miss Bicknell, Miss Howarth, Mr Pilling, Miss Prescott and Mr Bowcutt for being this year's readers!

The Art Department is blown away by the incredible Year 7 and Year 8 Art Project Homework submissions! Each piece is a testament to the students' unique creativity and dedication to the arts. We are so proud of each and every student for pushing themselves creatively and producing such amazing artwork. We couldn't help but display the outstanding efforts to the whole school! A huge thank you and well done to the outstanding students here at Co-op Academy Swinton!

