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Event News

And here we are at the end of our first half term!
As always, the weeks have flown - its only seems five minutes since we were welcoming all of our children back in September!

I am super proud of all of our children, they have settled quickly back into school life, and fill our days with happiness: they are such amazing children who make us smile every day!

A special mention for our new Year 3 children - what superstars they are! They looked so small when they arrived in September and a little bit nervous but my goodness, its now as if they have always been here! Well done Year 3!

School has been busy as usual - you can see a glimpse of what we have been upto on the next pages.
We have been busy getting to grips with the Co-op Trust policies and systems and truly feel a part of their family now!

Autumn Term 1

ATTENDANCE

Whole Academy Attendance Target	**97%**
Whole Academy Attendance for Academic Year 2024 – 2025	**96.23%**
3GC -91.7%	**5SJ- 98.8%** 
3HK - 96.1%	**5CC- 96.7%**
3NG - 97.4%	**5IM - 97.8%** 
4JM - 97.5%	**6KN - 97.6%** 
4EP- 93.0%	**6DT- 97.3%**
4BG -96.5%	**6SK - 98.8%** 
4KE - 91.9%	**6CPe - 95.5%**
5JBC- 96.2%	

We have hit 96% attendance almost every week this half term, let's see if we can achieve our whole school weekly attendance target of 97% next half term!

A HUGE well done to all of our children for their fantastic attendance this half term!!

Our attendance badges will be returning again this year, it is so lovely to see lots of children still proudly wearing their attendance badges from last year.

All students will again have the opportunity of receiving bronze, silver and gold certificates and badges

Thank you all again for showing up every day!!

Good to be me day

Do what matters most	Be yourself, always	Show you care	Succeed together

On Thursday 3rd October, we celebrated 'good to be me day'. The day was about recognising how fantastic we all are, and launching our Co-op 'Ways of Being'. Each year group focused on one 'Way of Being': Be Yourself Always, Do What Matters Most, Show You Care and Succeed Together.

Do what matters most:

We focus on doing the right things for others (our friends, families, communities).
We challenge when something isn't right, we don't look the other way.

Be yourself, always:

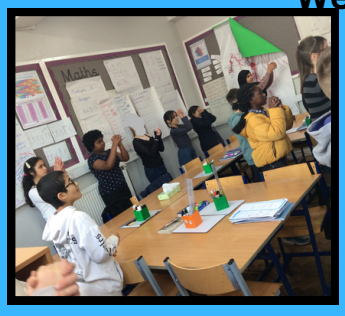
We're confident about who we are.
We inspire everyone to do their best.

Show you care:

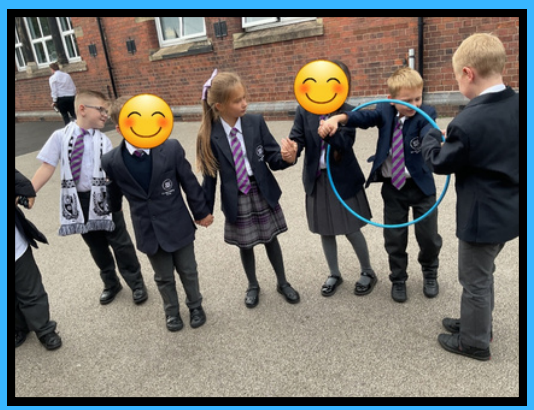
We all take ownership - if something can be made better, we do it.
We listen to people because we care about them.

Succeed together:

We involve people because we value their ideas.
We respect each other for being ourselves











Year 3 Basketball

Some of our fabulous Year 3 children: Ruby (3GC), Ela (3HK), Carter-James (3GC), Bobby (3HK), Oskar (3NG), Mahsa (3GC) and Nate (3NG) took part in a Basketball event at Co-op Academy Stoke.

Two other Co-op schools took part against us, Co-op Clarice Cliff and Co-op Friarswood.

The children were a little apprehensive being inside the Co-op Academy Stoke as it was so big and has a lot of students compared to Grove but they soon found their competitive side once on the Basketball court!

We had a quick practice and our skills were showing very early on! Nate was able to show his excellent dribbling skills and secured goals for the team!

Co-op Academy Grove showed great teamwork skills and were a force to be reckoned with! Bobby, Carter-James, Ruby, Ela and Oskar showed excellent defence skills, always knowing where to position themselves and anticipate the opposition's next move!

As a result of the amazing team, Co-op Academy Grove won all of our matches!

The children all received a gold medal for their achievement!

Well Done to all the children involved.



Watch me Learn

READING

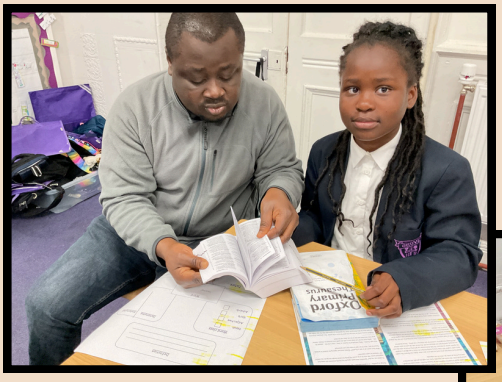
A huge thank you to all parents and carers who attended the Reading Watch Me Learn. It was such a pleasure to present information about how reading is taught at Co-op Academy Grove, and the children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their learning with their loved ones. They are all true reading champions!

I am looking forward to reading through your feedback. I am sure it will be extremely valuable.

Thank you,

Mrs Khan

(English and Phonics Lead)











DREAM BIG Read

Year 3/4 Stoke Hall Athletics

On Wednesday the 16th October our Yr3-4 pupils took part in the Primary Schools Sports hall Athletics Competition at Fenton Manor. The event encouraged pupils to work in teams, competing in events such as Obstacle relays, Relay's, Sprints, Javelin, Chest push, Vertical jump, Standing long jump, Standing triple jump and speed bounce.

The pupils worked really well together and tried their hardest to compete with the other schools who attended. The noise from the stands was amazing and really encouraged all children to do their best. The Grove children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and really enjoyed their first experience competing for the school in a competition, which made it a memorable day for all.

We are still waiting on the final results, cross fingers for Team Grove



Year 5/6 Mixed football

Our players went in with high hopes and great team spirit. Our first match was a tough one with many decisions going against us and some very tough players. The boys kept their spirits high talking tactics and ideas during our break. Again they went in to game 2 excited and ready to go- some outstanding goals were scored and the team work well together- just missing out by one goal. Going into game 3 they all cheered and pushed each other hoping that this was their win- it just wasn't their day.
Their football skills and play was brilliant but unfortunately on that day the other teams were just a little better and had some lucky (no thanks to the referee!) decisions go their way. The boys talked on the ride back about what they would do differently next time excited for another shot!







Stoke Sports 4all Festival

School Games Years 3-4 Change4life at Excel Academy 18th October 2024

Some children from Years 3 and 4 (Ruby 3GC, Lincoln 3GC, Amelia 3HK, Robert 3HK, Benyamin 3NG, Zara 3NG, Louis 4BG and Ariana 4EP) took part in the School Games Years 3-4 Change 4 Life Festival at Excel Academy on Friday 18th October.

Grove took part with 9 other primary schools across the city in the following events: Parachute, Slalom Relay, Survival, Boccia, Balloon games, Shuttle Runs, Bean Bag Target Throws, Kurling, Catch up, Strike a Pose and Throw and catch.

The Change4Life event is a circuit of multi-skilled activities, designed to be accessed by children of all abilities and to have fun with sports and peers! The Grove children thoroughly enjoyed all the events and were thrilled to be chosen as they had not been chosen for a sporting event before. The children all received stickers in their events for demonstrating sporting values: Determination, Team Work, Self Belief, Respect, Passion Honesty

Well done Team Grove!



Sport Hall Athletics Year 5 & 6

On Thursday the 24th October our Yr5-6 pupils took part in the Primary Schools Sports hall Athletics Competition at Fenton Manor.

The event encouraged pupils to work in teams, competing in events such as Obstacle relays, Relay's, Sprints, Javelin, Chest push, Vertical jump, Standing long jump, Standing triple jump and speed bounce.

The pupils worked really well together and tried their hardest to compete with the other schools who attended.

For some it was their first experience competing for the school and competing in athletics events outside the school, which made it a more memorable day for some.

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6CPe

Class assembly

6CPe were honoured to showcase their learning during their class assembly. All children took part in explaining their recent learning as well as a picture slideshow and ending with a song! The children have worked incredibly hard since September and have settled brilliantly into Year 6 life! Well done 6CPe!









6DT
CLASS ASSEMBLY

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who came to support Year 6 during their fantastic assembly on the circulatory system! The children did an incredible job explaining how the heart, blood vessels, and lungs all work together to keep our bodies healthy. With humour, facts, and a lot of energy, they took us on a journey through the body, showing us how important it is to stay active and make healthy choices. We are so proud of their hard work and enthusiasm!



YEAR 3 HARVEST CELEBRATION

Year 3 celebrated Harvest by performing an assembly for their parents. We invited our year 3 parents in to watch.
Each class shared work on a different topic and we sang different Harvest songs and welcomed Pastor Ian to tell us all about the important festival of Harvest!

They all spoke so clearly, a super job with their first 'Co-op Academy Grove Performance'.
Our whole school community have collected food, which will be donated to the local food bank.







SPOOKY BALL

On Thursday 24th October at Co-op Academy Grove, we held our annual Spooky Ball.

The event included a prize-winning pumpkin competition, spooky decorations, fancy dress, treat stalls and a huge amount of fun and laughter from all.

A massive well done to everyone who entered the pumpkin carving competition – it was so hard to choose the winners!

We raised an amazing £815.23, this will go towards a new school library.













TRICK OR TREAT

BASC

The children at BASC have been getting in the Autumnal spirit and are getting ready for spooky season this half term. They have been using some natural resources to create super artwork and have been creating a fantastic Halloween collage.









HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM

WE WILL SEE YOU ALL ON TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER