Copley Academy is a partner school

The project bases full time Community Development Officers in school to help build relationships with the local community and develop young people to achieve their potential. A warm welcome to Mr Matt Fejos, who has been organising some brilliant activities with our young people.
**Reward Games**
Two students were rewarded for big improvements and work in their Year 11 GCSEs, with a trip to the Manchester United vs Chelsea season opener. Two Year 7 students, who showed a GREAT start to the year with their planners, went to Manchester United vs Leicester.

**Ball Assistant Role**
Christopher has begun his role as a Manchester United Ball Assistant for the 2019/20 season, where he is pitch-side for every Manchester United home game.

**Mentor Groups**
25 students in Mentor Groups are working on Goal-Setting and Strength-Finding, after a focus on self-reflection skills late last year. Some have continued improvements shown late last year and others are making the most of the fresh start to 2019/20, with some mature decision making.

**Literacy Support**
Matt has begun support additional Language lessons in year 7 and 10.

**Lunchtime Football**
70 students are playing football at lunchtime on the astro turfs, daily.

**Afterschool Futsal**
50 students are playing in weekly futsal sessions, as we introduce futsal in a fun games format.

**Flag Bearers**
10 Copley Students had the honour of holding the flag before kick-off in the centre of the pitch for the Manchester United vs Arsenal match, which four supportive staff also attended. Special thanks to Glen and Ms Dillon for supporting on the day.
**Year 11 Boys Tournament**

The Year 11 Boys’ team had a hub tournament in Co-Op Academy North in their first tournament for the team. As it’s an honour to represent the school at these tournaments, unfortunately, some who may have expected to go missed out this time.

The team battled away in the pouring rain, lost more than they won, conceded more than they scored and didn’t get their win. But the positivity, resilience, work rate and unity, given the challenging results, was really pleasing and they did the school proud. A special mention goes to Jake who sadly broke his arm the night before playing in a school game!

**Year 10/11 Girls Tournament**

The Year 10/11 Girls’ team attended the Manchester United Foundation Schools’ Hub Tournament at The Oldham Academy North on October 3rd.

The team consisted of predominantly year 10s, with just two year 11s. They were really positive, worked hard for each other, represented the school well and managed to have a great time and enjoy themselves too. It was these qualities, and showing the GREAT values, that allowed the team to do so well.

After getting through pool play unbeaten, with a tough draw against local rivals and hosts TOAN, the girls went on to win the tournament and by maintaining their high standards.

**A special reward day**

Three Year 8s were nominated by teachers and senior leadership for a very special reward day at the Aon Training Centre. The students had shown 100% attendance, and exceeded expectations in classroom engagement.

Filming a video with partner UNICEF, each student was paired up with a Manchester United player where, as a team, they had to shoot a ball at targets and make up a balanced meal of different food groups. They had an insight into ‘behind the scenes’ at the training ground, and received signed pennants as a thank you for being film stars for the day.
Flag Bears at Old Trafford

Another reward trip and special memory was created for ten Year 9 and 10 students who had shown a GREAT start to the year, with their stamps and planners, for classroom engagement.

For the Europa League game vs Astana FC, the students were flagbearers on the hallowed turf before kick-off and they held the centre flag as the players lined up before kick-off.

Student Holly said:

“The experience was a once in a life time opportunity, to step out on the pitch at old Trafford, the ‘Theatre of Dreams’. Not many people get to step out onto the pitch besides players, managers, and referees. It was honestly amazing and I am very grateful to be given such an opportunity, massive thanks to Matt and the Manchester United Foundation”
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  - GCSE intervention
  - English department
  - STEM Club
  - Mrs Ashraf
  - Mrs Stones
  - Mr Taylor
  - Career drop in
  - Lisa Reeve
  - Career Guidance and Support Service

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  - Maths lesson 6
  - GCSE intervention
  - Maths department
  - STEM Club
  - Mrs Ashraf
  - Mrs Stones
  - Mr Taylor
  - Career drop in
  - Lisa Reeve
  - Career Guidance and Support Service

**WEEK A and B All years: learning support**
- (Including homework, research, study)
- LRC 3.00-3.45pm
- Mrs Holding

**Badminton fixtures**
- for boys and girls, and all year groups
- PE Department

**Soul Band Juniors**
- 3-4pm
- Mr Kowalski

**Support class**
- for post 16 applications and apprenticeships
- Mrs Foster

**STEM Club**
- Mrs Ashraf
- Mrs Stones
- Mr Taylor

**Career drop in**
- Lisa Reeve
- Career Guidance and Support Service

**Maths lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- Mr Brookes

**History lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- History Department

**Art lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- Art Department

**Business and Computing lesson 6**
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- Textile Department

**Art lesson 6**
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- Art Department

**English lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- English Department

**Music lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- Mr Kowalski

**Media lesson 6**
- GCSE intervention
- Media Department

**Futsal (Y9&10)**
- Sports hall, 3-4:15
- PE Department

**Futsal (Y7&8)**
- Sports hall, 3-4:15
- PE Department

**All Years Cheerleading**
- 3:15-4:30 - Miss Cunningham
This is the current Period 6 timetable for the Year 11 students.

Attendance is strongly recommended and encouraged for all.

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Monday saw the return of the Copley Cheerleading team the Copley Divas. Over 40 pupils turned up to try out for the previous National Schools champions. Miss Cunningham was blown away by the talent and now has a difficult job on her hands to choose the team that will compete at the National Schools competition next year. Pupils showcased their jumping, tumbling, stunting and dance skills to win a place on the team who wear special kits in the school colours.

Senior Girls Tameside Champions - Football
Eleanor, Ella, Kira, Casey, Holly H, Holly M and Jess played fixtures over 3 weeks against the Tameside schools, not losing a game and scoring 23 goals in the process. Eleanor was player of the tournament but this win was down to the team as a whole. They supported each other well and set the standard for all the other schools to chase.

Senior Girls Tameside Champions – Badminton
Katie, Keegan, Anna, Kira, Holly, Ellie, Georgia and Jess played fixtures against other Tameside school over a number of weeks, not losing a single match. There were many strong performances from our girls and Mrs Bailey nominated Anna as player of the tournament. Teachers from other school commented on her mature approach and her ability to umpire matches when she was not playing.

Mrs Bailey and the rest of the PE department want to say well done. Huge congratulations, you make us feel so proud. TEAM COPLEY
All year 11’s should be using both Life Studies lessons in school and time at home to research post 16 choices. Over the next few months there are numerous college open events taking place and students are encouraged to attend as many as possible to get an idea of opportunities that are available. Any student needing advice, guidance or support is welcome to speak to Lisa Reeve (Positive Steps) who is based at Copley on a Mondays and Wednesdays or Mrs Foster. Student drop in clinics are offered on a Wednesday after school in either the LRC or Room 27.

Copley Academy – Positive Steps for Year 11

On Monday 6th September, Year 11 were involved in a Post-16 Carousel. Year 11 students had the opportunity to listen to Tameside College, Clarendon 6th Form College, Ashton 6th From College, Positive Steps and an apprenticeship provider with regards to the relevant next steps, expectations and the application process. Year 11 even stayed back after school to speak to the deliverers on a one to one basis for more information because they realise how important it is for their futures. James said, ‘It was incredibly informative and allowed us to understand the whole process of applying to sixth form and beyond. It was also great to get an insight into how Sixth Form Colleges view our applications.’
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Tameside East Foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust, and is a joint venture between Holy Trinity Church in Stalybridge, St John’s Church in Dukinfield and New Life Church in Ashton under Lyne. Since they began operating in 2012 they have fed over 26,000 members of our local community, distributing over 210 tonnes of food!

They are completely reliant on donations from the public, who have been incredibly generous and constantly responded to the increased demand for their service with their donations. However, as demand continues to rise, this is an ongoing struggle. In line with the Trussell Trust guidance, they distribute tinned, dried and packaged products. The parcels are designed to provide nutritionally balanced food over a 3-day period.

In previous years schools including Copley have assigned each school class or year group a particular food to bring, staff have sometimes donated toiletries. Additionally, they are always in need of carrier bags, so if people are able to donate any, these would be gratefully received.

At the moment they are particularly in need of the following items:

- Tinned meat
- Tinned fish
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned rice pudding/custard
- Tinned soup
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned tomatoes
- Fruit cordial
- Long life milk
- Tinned potatoes
- Instant mash
- Dog food

Copley Academy are hoping to support them again this year and we will be collecting any donations from the list above over the next month. Your generosity for such a good cause will be greatly appreciated.
Charlotte in Year 8 at Copley Academy, is a member of Manchester BMX Club. She qualified to compete for Great Britain having advanced through the National Championships qualifying in the top 14 of riders for her age group in Great Britain.

Having been selected to compete for Great Britain, Charlotte then went to the BMX World Championships that took place in Heusden-Zolder, Belgium during the first week of the school holidays. In the races Charlotte competed and qualified against the World Number 1 and Number 8 in her age category, an amazing achievement. Charlotte said, ‘It was a fun experience because it was a new track, one that I had never seen before. It was my first time in Belgium and the weather that week was amazing. We were there for a week and managed to fit in some sight seeing and at the accommodation there was a swimming pool so it was great to go back, relax and cool down after the competitions.’

Charlotte now hopes to qualify again for the National Championships which take place throughout the year, Charlotte said, ‘I want to do even better next year and would like to finish in the top 8 in the world, that is my next future ambition and will be training hard this year every Thursday after school and all day on a Saturday.’ Charlotte’s next club race is on the 5th October at home at the Manchester BMX Club and we wish her all the very best for this competition. Watch this space as Charlotte is aiming to compete for Great Britain in the 2024 Olympics.

England Junior Pom Team

We are delighted to announce and congratulate Jess on her fantastic news that she has been chosen to represent her country on the world stage.

She will join Team England's first ever junior pom team at the International Cheerleading Union World Championships in Orlando in April. We are very proud of Jess' achievements and wish her good luck for the future.
Blue Peter’s Gardner Judges the RHS Wisley Design Competition 2019

If you didn’t already know George in Year 10 is Blue Peter’s young gardener and has regular slots on the popular TV show. Last Thursday, in his latest appearance on Blue Peter he was judging the RHS Wisley sculpture design competition with the Duchess of Cambridge.

George became the Blue Peter’s special correspondent having won the RHS Young Gardener of the Year competition. He then became an RHS Ambassador before securing his current role on Blue Peter – he has now been on the show 14 times.

The show on Thursday featured George judging the RHS sculpture competition with the Duchess of Cambridge at Kensington Palace and from RHS Wisley. He then went to RHS Wisley where the sculpture is situated and filmed the episode there. George said, ‘It was really exciting to be filming with such a high-profile person, she was really nice and down to earth – friendly and chatty, she made us feel included through the whole process. I went to Kensington Palace with the Duchess of Cambridge and we looked at the finished sculpture after judging the winner’.

George is now looking forward to a Bee Conference in Manchester in October, ‘I will be giving a speech about bees and how important they are and conserving them. I will also be talking about the importance of gardening, and encouraging more young people to get involved. I know Mr. Paddy is keen for me to work on the garden areas at Copley Academy which I’m really looking forward to.’

You can catch the episode featuring George on the BBC iPlayer for the next few weeks.
Bookbuzz is a reading programme from the BookTrust that aims to help schools inspire a love of reading in 11 to 13-year-olds. Participating schools give their students the opportunity to choose their own book to take home and keep from a list of titles. They are all carefully selected by a panel of experts to ensure quality, suitability and to encourage reading for pleasure.

Copley Academy takes part in the programme every year with our new Yr.7. They will be looking at the Bookbuzz website and samples of the books on offer over the next couple of weeks. Once they have chosen the new books should arrive in November. Taking home a free book is a wonderful start to promoting and developing a love of reading with our new students. We will be discussing the books and reviewing them during their English library lesson in the LRC.

A link to the Bookbuzz website is included below if you would like to find out more about the books on offer and the programme. There is lots of information about books and reading including reviews and author content.

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/programmes-and-campaigns/bookbuzz/students/bookbuzz-books/

**LRC Open Mic**

Our first poetry open mic of the year will be on Thursday 24th October. Pupils are encouraged to sign up to perform a poem of their own, their favourite poem or a poem from a selection in the LRC. Poems will be performed in the LRC at lunchtime. On the day GREAT stickers will be given to all performers.

Author-illustrator Cressida Cowell is the Waterstones Children's Laureate for 2019-21. The role of Children's Laureate is awarded once every two years to an eminent writer or illustrator of children's books to celebrate outstanding achievement in their field.

Cressida Cowell is the number one bestselling author-illustrator of the *How to Train Your Dragon* and *The Wizards of Once* book series, and the author of the *Emily Brown* picture books, illustrated by Neal Layton. She has sold over 11 million books worldwide in 38 languages.

We have all these great books in our school library why not check one out soon.
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Cressida Cowell's Waterstones Children's Laureate Charter

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1. Read for the joy of it
2. Access NEW books in schools, libraries, and bookshops
3. Have advice from a trained librarian or bookseller
4. Own their OWN book
5. See themselves reflected in a book
6. Be read aloud to
7. Have some choice in what they read
8. Be creative for at least fifteen minutes a week
9. See an author event at least ONCE
10. Have a planet to read on