

Hillside Herald - 28th November 2025

THIS WEEK AT HILLSIDE

Well done to our wonderful choir who did an incredible performance at the Co-op Academy Trust's Recognition awards



We have enjoyed testing out our new equipment this week!

School Updates
Uniform Reminder

Please ensure that pupils are coming to school in the correct uniform. This includes PE kit.

Consent forms for the new playground equipment has been sent out via text message

Our school family is growing! If you know anyone who would be interested in coming to join us please pass on our details!

Co-op Academy Hillside



Join us!

Places
available

Non-uniform day on Friday
5th December sweets and
treats donation for our
Christmas Fair.



Huge Congratulations to Miss
O'Broin on the birth of her twins -
welcome to the Hillside family Cillian
and Ruadh!



Our Vision and Values

An inclusive school community where all children feel valued and encouraged to be respectful, resilient and able to realise their full potential.

Do what matters most

Vision and values

I care about the school and what we stand for. I show the values inside and outside of the academy.

Future focussed

I think about the future. I want to do well, and I want others to do well.

School improvement

I make sure that we all get better together. I know that my behaviour and actions have an impact on others.

Be yourself, always

Improving myself

I focus on getting better. I improve how much I can learn.

My words

I talk openly and honestly and know how my words help or hurt others.

Inclusive

I can be friends with anyone and treat everyone with respect.

Show you care

Co-operation

I work co-operatively with others. I share my ideas and listen to others.

Driving innovation

I am confident using technology in a safe and sensible way.

Speaking up

I know my words can help others to be better. I speak up when I see bullying or poor behaviour.

Succeed together

Being a good friend and learner

I develop good friendships and work with my teachers, in order to understand and support others.

Championing Co-op

I represent my academy through my behaviour and my actions.

Helping others

I support the learning of others to promote a positive learning environment.


 Co-op Academy Hillside
 PRESENT

HILLSIDE'S GOT TALENT Show!

TUESDAY | 9 DEC | 5 PM

**AUDITIONS
26TH NOVEMBER**

SEE EMAIL LINK FOR TICKETS

PLEASE BRING IN ANY OUTGROWN WINTER COATS AND CHRISTMAS JUMPERS FOR OUR SWAP SHOP THAT WILL BE IN THE COMMUNITY SHOP



IF YOU SEE A COAT OR JUMPER YOU LIKE, FEEL FREE TO TAKE!



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CO-OP ACADEMY HILLSIDE

CHRISTMAS FAIR

3.30-4.30PM DECEMBER 12TH

STALL HOLDERS WANTED!

ARE YOU A LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS OR TRADER INTERESTED IN SHOWCASING YOUR BUSINESS IN A CHRISTMAS FAIR STALL? PLEASE EMAIL OUR SCHOOL OFFICE FOR DETAILS
hillside-office@coopacademies.co.uk



Co-op Academy Hillside

COMMUNITY PANTRY

AND UNIFORM SWAP



Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday
8.50-9.10am

CHOOSE US AS YOUR LOCAL CAUSE

Co-op Members can help us receive a share of £5m from the Local Community Fund.

Choose us on the Co-op App or at coop.co.uk/membership




 OWNED BY YOU.
 RIGHT BY YOU.

ATTENDANCE HEROES

Improving attendance is everyone's business. The barriers to accessing education are wide and complex, both within and beyond the school gates, and are often specific to individual pupils and families. At Co-op Academy Hillside, we will do all we can to support your family and ensure our academy is safe, calm and a supportive environment for your child. Let's celebrate everyone's success together.

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

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FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

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SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for

Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th

August 2024.

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THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Congratulations to Year 4 for the highest attendance this week!



How can I improve my children's attendance?

Follow NHS advice for any mild illnesses.

Promote good hand hygiene with your children.

Liaise with the Early Help team who will support you as a family.

Speak to your child's teacher as a collaborative approach is essential.

Hillside Herald Newsboard



If your child is absent from school, you must inform the school office by 9am of the reason for absence.

Please ensure that the school office has the correct email contacts as email is the school's main form of communication.

Staff car park is NOT to be used to drop children off at Breakfast Club. This is a health and safety hazard.

To keep updated on all things Hillside, please follow our [facebook page](#)

Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform - we have plenty of clean spare uniform available in our Community pantry for no cost.

Thursday's Karate
Please can children in years 2-6 bring a pair of shorts to school with them on a Thursday for our karate sessions.

🎄 Christmas Schedule - December 2025 🎁

Monday 1st December - Christmas Tree competition 2025 starts

Friday 5th December - Non Uniform
Bring Sweet treats or Chocolate donations for the Fair

Tuesday 9th December - Hillside's Got Talent 5pm

Wednesday 10th December - EY stay and play 2.30. Christmas songs 3pm.

Thursday 11th December 2025- National Christmas Jumper Day
Bring a bottle for the Christmas fair

Friday 12th December 2025
Dress rehearsal Nativity 9.30am

Christmas Week

Monday 15th December
Nativity 2.30pm

Tuesday 16th December
Nativity 9.30am
Piano Concert 2pm

Wednesday 17th December
Festive Wednesday - Wear your Christmas Jumper with uniform
Christmas Lunch
11:30 - 12:15: Early Years and Key Stage 1
12:15 - 13:00: Key Stage 2

Thursday 18th December
3.30-5.00: Christmas Fair

Friday 19th
PM: Christmas Parties! Refreshments provided by school