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Coffee Morning inaugural event launch: 18 March 2025

Over twenty Old Grovians and former staff visited The Grove for the first Coffee Morning. A range of items from the school archives were on display, prompting memories and conversation. [Book your free tickets](#) and join us in June!



Grovian Voices Podcast receives rave reviews

Since its successful launch in February, Grovian Voices has featured a diverse range of guests, including Old Grovians, staff and students. The episodes have been well-received, with over 700 downloads in 26 countries and 151 cities world wide. [Click here to listen.](#)



From Passion to Practice: Navigating a Career in Medicine

Old Grovian Giles Manchester (72-82) returned to The Grove after 43 years to inspire students considering a career in medicine. A practising GP in Leeds, he shared fond school memories and his journey into healthcare, highlighting the rewards of travel, lifelong friendships and professional growth. Giles said:

"I really enjoyed my visit back to The Grove, reconnecting with the school and having the opportunity to share my journey in medicine with the current students. It's rewarding to see the next generation so eager to learn and explore the possibilities that lie ahead in healthcare."

Building Connections: The Power of Alumni Engagement and Giving Back

Meet Development Officer Eve Corry (st24-) a key part in promoting and developing support for the Woodhouse Grove Foundation.

Since joining Woodhouse Grove in November 2024, Development Officer Eve Corry has focused on fostering meaningful relationships and building lasting connections within the Grovian community.

Eve's mission is to increase engagement both in person and online, ensuring that alumni and parents feel more connected than ever before. Central to her work is creating a culture of giving at The Grove, emphasising the importance of giving back to the school through the Woodhouse Grove School Foundation.

The launch of The Grove Business Directory this month invites Old Grovians, current and former parents in the business world to sign up and get involved. [Click here to find out more.](#)

"We are thrilled to launch The Grove Business Directory this month, a valuable opportunity for our community to connect, network and give back to the Woodhouse Grove School Foundation. Whether you're an entrepreneur, small business owner or corporate leader, we'd love to hear from you so please get in touch to discuss." - Eve Corry

As we look to strengthen The Grove for future generations, your support can make a real difference. A donation, no matter the size, helps keep the spirit of The Grove alive and ensures its legacy continues to thrive.

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donations received
Aug '24 - May '25

60%
increase in Regular Donor
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social media 24/25

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Alternatively, please call 0113 250 2477 to make a donation or to request bank transfer details.

OGA Events & Reunion update

London Reunion - 24 April 2025

On Thursday 24 April, the Old Grovian London Reunion took place at The Walrus and The Carpenter in London! It was fantastic to see so many Old Grovians reconnecting, with some even meeting up after decades – two Old Grovians from the same school days, hadn't seen each other since 1960! It was especially amazing to see four generations of Old Grovians meet and come together, sharing stories and memories across the years. The Selfie Frame was in full swing, with memories shared, laughter echoing and plenty of smiles all around.

"It was a great night and lovely to see such a range of ages! We're already looking forward to our next OG reunion in Leeds on Thursday, 19 June at Friends of Ham!" - Dan Nulty (90-97), Chair of the OGA



Golf Day - 4 May 2025

It was a brisk temperature at The Bradford Golf Club but thankfully not too windy, with the sun making several appearances as it peeked through the clouds. Thirteen teams competed across the course, tackling the challenge holes - Longest Drive & Nearest the Pin.

A huge thank you to all who donated prizes and supported the raffle in aid of the Woodhouse Grove School Foundation – your generosity helped raise over £440!

Winning Four Ball:

Jeremy Neale (91-96) Team

Longest Drive:

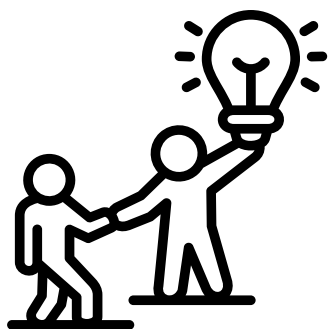
Eddie Morris (96-11)

Nearest The Pin:

Richard Ham (84-91)



Career Profile: you can help to inspire the next generation!



To help inspire our current students, we want to showcase the diverse career paths our Old Grovians have had since leaving school. Our goal is to create short career biographies that will be displayed in the Sixth Form Building and on our virtual learning platform allowing students to read them and gain insights into various career paths. To complete the form please scan the QR code or [click here](#).



Summer Reunion & Family Fun Day 2025



We're thrilled to invite Old Grovians, staff, current students and their families to the Annual Summer Reunion & Family Fun Day on Sunday 29 June, from 1:30pm to 6:00pm, in the beautiful grounds of The Grove. Come and reconnect, relax and enjoy an afternoon filled with fun for all ages! There's something for everyone. Whether you're reminiscing with old friends, cheering on a match or enjoying an ice cream in the sunshine, it promises to be a memorable day for our whole Grove community. Plus, there's the chance to get involved and play some sport!

Fancy a game?

If you'd like to play in the OG Twenty20 Cricket or Tennis Team, please email: foundation@woodhousegrove.co.uk or call 0113 250 2477.

No booking required – just bring your picnic blanket, your family and your Grove spirit!

Dates for your diary:

- Coffee Morning - Summer Term: Tuesday 10 June 2025, 10am - 12noon at Woodhouse Grove School
- Leeds Reunion - Thursday 19 June, 6pm till late at Friends of Ham, Leeds, LS1 5DL
- Annual Summer Reunion & Family Fun Day - Sunday 29 June, from 1:30pm at Woodhouse Grove School
- Leaver's '23, '24, '25 Reunion - Thursday 28 August, 6:30pm at Woodhouse Grove School



To book tickets, please visit: www.ticketsource.co.uk/woodhousegroveschool or call 0113 250 2477

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Explore the range of OG merchandise today and find the perfect item to show your Old Grovian pride!
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Old Grovian Remembrances

As we remember our alumni who have passed, we celebrate the lives they led and the lasting impressions they made. While they are no longer with us, their legacy continues to inspire and connect us all.



Obituary notifications Jan - May '25:

John Elstub (62-68)
Charles Peter Gibson (47-53)
Geoffrey Newton (38-47)
Mukhtar Singh Purewal (86-93)
Robert Smithson (63-70)

"Mindful of a home which never
Distance from her kin can sever,
Mindful of our friends for ever"

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Visiting The Grove today

Old Grovians are always welcome back to the school for a tour. If you would like a tour of the school today, contact our office at foundation@woodhousegrove.co.uk or call 0113 250 2477 to schedule one in advance.



Weyland Roberts (st66-70),
Head of Biology and his wife
Yvonne



Giles Manchester (72-82)



Simon Tunstall (66-70) and
Charles Kirkman (66-75)



Kenny Lee (80-83)

Are you following us?

"Our social media channels have seen a remarkable 37% increase in followers this year! Grovians have been actively sharing their memories and achievements and we couldn't be more thrilled. Stay tuned for upcoming alumni features and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. Join the conversation and tag us in your alumni updates using #GroviansForever

