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EWD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



5th December 2025

A message from Leadership

Wow, what a week! Christmas is definitely upon us now. Preparations for the Christmas fayre have been phenomenal! It's been like santa's workshop as classes have busily made their crafts and decorations to make this the biggest fayre we've had yet!

Thank you to all staff and students for all their efforts, and a huge thank you to families and guests for coming to see us. We look forward to sharing our total raised and some photos of the event next week.

Diary Dates

- 11th December - Home Partnership Day
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Attendance

This week, our top three attending tutor groups were:

Davison	100%
McHale	100%
Grant	96.67%



Reminders

Students need cash or a bank card for shopping in the community - NOT their phone.

We are a nut and sesame free school

Medication must be sent into school in the box with prescription label, via taxi escort.





Home Partnership Day

Thursday 11th December 2025

We look forward to welcoming our families into school on HPD. Come and talk with staff to celebrate your child's term and work together to make plans for their future.



We will be taking family feedback on our student mental health and RSE policies



Be you



CHOICES COLLEGE
STEPS TO SUCCESS

Come and talk to our special guests from Be You and Choices College in school to share the services they offer. Be You support with mental health and will share the support they can offer parents, carers and families. Choices College offer supported internships for school leavers in NHS healthcare and with local organisations and businesses.

Your child's tutors will be in touch to arrange an appointment time with you

Important Messages



Points are mentioned frequently in our newsletters as well as daily with our students.

However, if a student displays one of our RICH-T values they can be eligible for a **Golden Ticket**.



Our Golden Ticket tree has been updated for our second Autumn Term. We are so excited this year to fill up our tree with all of our student's amazing achievements.

What's been happening this week in school



Company donations from Lawson Fuses LTD



What's been happening this week in school



Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Christmas Fayre. The students really enjoyed having their families and carers in and we all loved meeting you.

Thank you again for supporting our school.

What's been happening this week in Key Stage 3



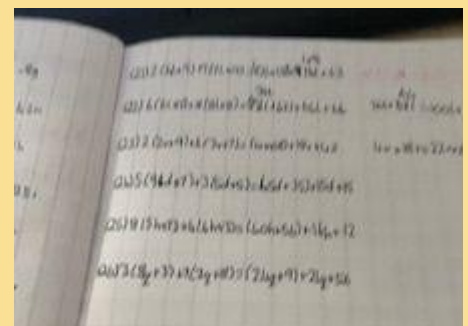
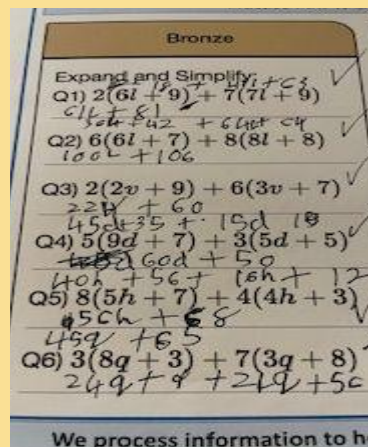
This week, Bryan class has been spending time making Pom Poms for the Christmas Fayre!



Bryan

Davison have continued working hard and showing resilience in maths when working on algebra. They are now able to expand and simplify expressions with two brackets. They have progressed through the topic well and have used their knowledge of negative numbers, which they covered last term, to help them. A huge shout out to the class!

Davison



What's been happening this week in Key Stage 4



Alongside their academic work this week, Jackman Class have also been out in the community delivering leaflets and collecting raffle prizes for our Christmas Fayre. It's been a lovely, festive week!



Jackman



For part of PBL we have visited wallington hall this week. Students got to explore the grounds and look at traditional victorian christmas decorations.

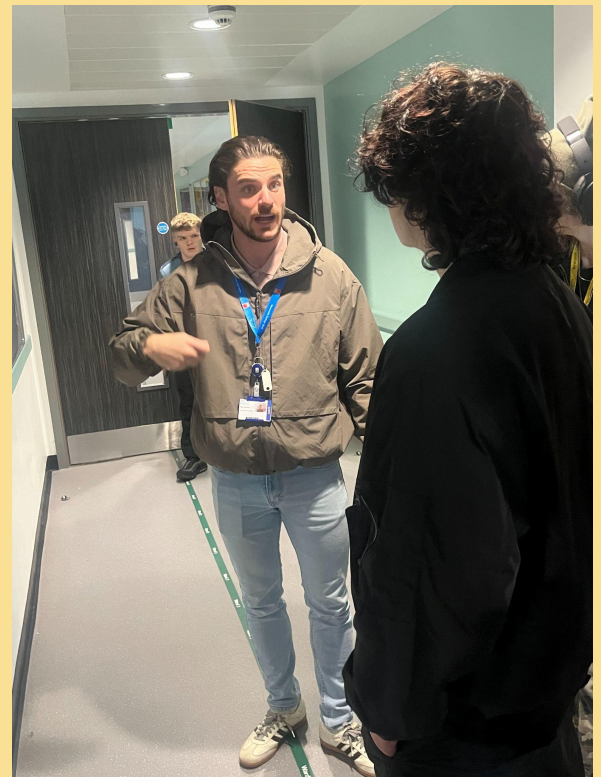


Hughes

What's been happening this week in Key Stage 4



Grant class got the opportunity to visit Newcastle College this week. We spoke to Tom who kindly showed us around the college in the pupils respected fields. Craig wanted to see Health & Social Care. Amelia wanted to see Behaviour Science, Luka was very keen to see the music department and Katie to the beauty department.



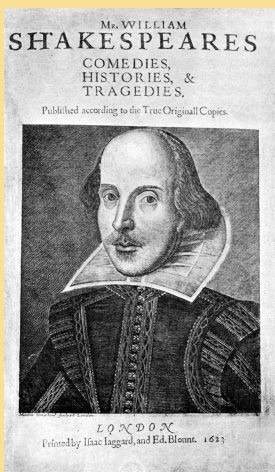
What's been happening this week in Base



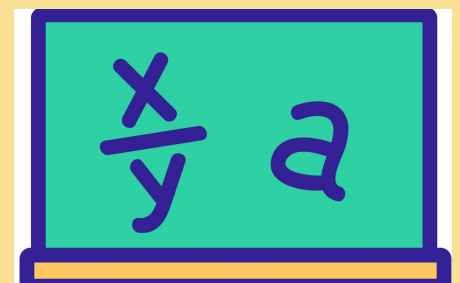
This week, Allen Class has made progress in their Autumn term. We have successfully cracked the concept of factorisation and expansion of brackets, demonstrating excellent mathematical understanding and problem-solving skills. The enthusiasm shown by the students during these lessons has been great, and it is clear that their hard work is paying off.

In English, we are nearing the completion of our study of *Macbeth* and the performances have outstanding..

Additionally, our sessions in PE and Art have been filled with fantastic. Students have worked hard to improve their skills in both areas, demonstrating teamwork and creativity. Their efforts in all subjects this week highlight their dedication to learning and personal growth. Well done, Allen Class! Keep up the fantastic work!



Allen



Student Report



I have had a good time this week doing algebra in Maths. I have enjoyed expanding two brackets.

I have enjoyed everything at school this week.

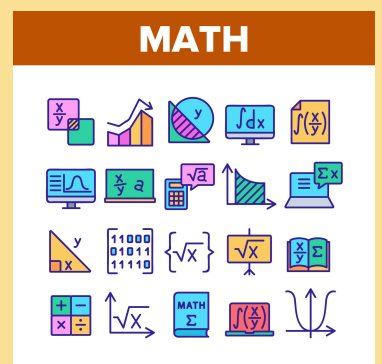
I am excited for the Christmas Fayre and have enjoyed making items and posters for it to sell.

My favourite this week has been getting 'Top Point Scorer of The Week' for Base and getting the trophy to keep on my desk. I loved going to McDonalds and spending time with friends.

Austin



Wood



Teaching and Learning



As the Christmas spirit begins to fill the corridors, students have been buzzing with excitement while preparing for Friday's school fayre. Classrooms have been alive with planning, designing, and creating - wonderful opportunities for pupils to apply teamwork, problem-solving and creativity in real, purposeful contexts. Alongside the festive fun, staff have been supporting students in refocusing after the mock period, helping them settle back into routines and rebuild momentum for the final three weeks of term.

Across lessons, pupils continue to show real determination as we move through end-of-unit assessments. It's been fantastic to see classes drawing on prior learning and applying it with growing confidence - for example, in maths, where learners have been tackling algebraic expressions using their strong understanding of negative numbers from earlier in the year. Beyond the classroom, learning has extended into the community: our forest school group braved the weather to explore St Mary's Lighthouse, observing wildlife and developing teamwork through outdoor challenges, and several Year 11 students have been carefully considering their next steps after visiting Newcastle College.

Finally, a huge staff shout-out goes to **Kim and Debs** for their incredible hard work in the run-up to the Christmas fayre. They have been planning, baking and making items all week, giving their time both in and out of school to ensure the event is a success. Their dedication has not gone unnoticed: *"The effort she's done for the fayre is absolutely incredible. The time and effort she's put in, in and out of school is just amazing bless her."* Thank you both for everything you do - our creativity and commitment are truly appreciated.

Pastoral Message



Despite the weather, this week's forest school session took us on an adventure to St Mary's lighthouse. The students loved exploring the area and were especially excited to see the seals resting on the shore. We also enjoyed a lively game of hide and seek.

On a personal note, I am thrilled to share that I have finally completed my Forest school training and am now a Level 3 Forest school leader! I am really looking forward to exploring more of the local woodlands/outdoor spaces and helping our students develop new skills and confidence in the natural world.



Chloe

Taxi Information



As a rule taxi driver and escorts are not required to knock on your door so please keep an eye out for your taxi arriving.

Your taxi will wait to your address for 3 minutes, if you do not acknowledge the taxi they will leave without the student.

All taxis have trackers on them and can be traced to ensure they are collecting students daily.

If a student does not get onto the allocated taxi, parents/carers are then responsible for transporting the student to school.

Here are some useful numbers should you have taxi concerns:

Northumberland Council Transport - 01670 624839

sen.transport@northumberland.gov.uk

Phoenix 01670 540222

schools@phoenixtaxisbl.co.uk

Darras Hall - 01661 610184

darrashallprivate@hotmail.co.uk

Borderline - 0191 2501476

borderlinetaxis@hotmail.co.uk

Luna - 07878175998

tracybow22@virginmedia.com

S&A Travel - 01670 851320

[sandatravel@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sandattravel@hotmail.co.uk)

Diamond - 01670 353535

joanburt27@gmail.com

Magpie - 07598852226

magpieprivatehire@gmail.com

If you have any other questions or queries, please get in touch

Pastoral Message



Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Important Update – Administration of Non-Prescription Medication in School

We are writing to inform you of our policy regarding the administration of non-prescription medication during the school day.

- Our school does not supply any non-prescription medication, including paracetamol, Calpol, antihistamines, or similar products.
- If you would like your child to receive paracetamol during the school day, you must provide a **new, sealed box along with a written note explaining the reason it may need to be administered. Please provide the students name and date of birth on this note.**
- Please ensure you have read the safety information on the packaging, and note **we cannot accept paracetamol capsules** in school as they are for over 16's only.
- Ibuprofen will only be accepted if it has been prescribed by a doctor specifically for your child in accordance with the DFE recommendations.
- In line with our medication policy, we will continue to contact you by phone before administering any non-prescription medication that you have provided and approved.
- You must contact the school office or the Medication Managers if you are sending any non-prescription medication into school.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe environment for all pupils. If you have any questions or need further clarification regarding this change, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

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Yours sincerely,

Chloe Stait

Pastoral and medication manager

Emily Wilding Davison School

Chloe

Information from our Safeguarding Lead (DSL) - Elizabeth Airey

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Behaviour



Fake News & Misinformation facts and advice

Help children think critically about the information they see online to keep things positive and safe. Choose a guide below to help children avoid spreading misinformation.

[Click on this link for more information](#)

Fake news is not the preferred term as it refers to false information and news online. However, it's more appropriate to use 'misinformation' and 'disinformation'.

Misinformation is false information spread by people who think it's true.

Disinformation is false information spread by people who know it's false.

Safeguarding A-Z

We're here
to help!

Online Safety

Online safety issues could include cyberbullying, the pressure to take part in sexting, encouragement to self-harm and viewing pornography, along with many others. But there are positive things you can do to help prepare yourself and your child to confidently tackle any issue they may face. We've created a number of internet safety advice hubs to help you learn more and find support for these risks.

As your child makes the important transition from primary to secondary school make sure your knowledge increases with theirs.

If you're a parent, carer or teacher and would like to order a free hard copy of this guide or any other guide, please visit <http://www.swgflstore.com> to place an order.

Please click on the following link for resources on how to keep your child safe online [Online safety guide 14+ year olds - Internet Matters](#)

