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EWD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



12th December 2025

A message from Leadership

Thank you for all your support around the Christmas Fayre with donations, attendance and purchases! It was a roaring success and great fun was had by all! It was really positive to see so many of parents, carers and members of the local community in school! We managed to raise over £1000 which we will put back into supporting the students with their personal development.

Diary Dates

- 19th - Last day of Term
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Attendance

This week, our top three attending tutor groups were:

Grant	86.4%
Davison	84.74%
McHale	78.02%



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.



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.

Important Messages



YOUTH ELECTION 2026



Northumberland
County Council

Nominate yourself here before 23rd Dec

YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN NORTHUMBERLAND

Are you aged between 11-18?
In school years 7-13

What issues are you
passionate about?

Do you want to be part of Youth
Cabinet or Youth Parliament?



Northumberland
Youth Cabinet



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Youth Parliament

What's been happening this week in Key Stage 3



This week, Harrison Class had a fantastic time in Food Tech making chocolate snowballs!

The pupils measured, mixed, rolled and, of course, enjoyed tasting, their delicious creations. It was a fun, hands-on activity that helped build confidence in the kitchen while getting everyone into the festive spirit.



Harrison

This week, Bryan class have been practicing and performing scenes from Macbeth! They have tried very hard with their drama skills and gave a good go at pronouncing Shakespearean language!



Bryan

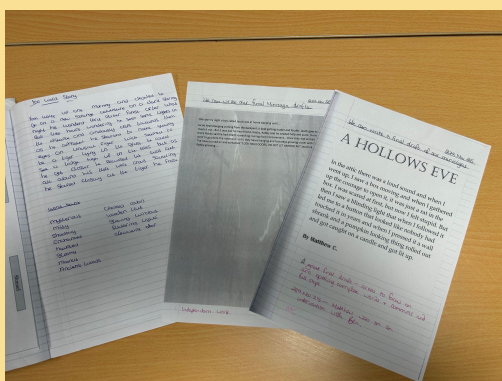
What's been happening this week in Key Stage 4



This week Youll class have received their mock exam results. We were all happy to see all of our hard work pay off. Well done everyone!



Youll



McHale

McHale have enjoyed taking part in the Stranger Sagas short stories competition this week. Well done!



What's been happening this week in Base



Johnson class have had a busy week, participating in a range of practical activities ranging from Construction to Forest School!

A particular highlight of the week has been putting together our entries for the school writing competition. At first, the idea of writing a one hundred word story seemed very daunting. We used a range of speaking and listening activities and word-based support cards to help us get started. Soon, we were over the word count and having to redraft our stories! It was fun being able to choose the genre for our stories- chosen themes included gothic horror and mystery.

We have also been putting ourselves in the shoes of town planners within Humanities, thinking about how we might solve some of the problems that urban development brings.



Johnson

Student Report



Jackman class enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Christmas markets, where they soaked up the festive atmosphere together. We explored the stalls, admired the decorations, and shared lots of festive cheer. It was a lovely outing that helped everyone get into the Christmas spirit.

Jackman

Teaching and Learning



As we move towards the end of term, pupils across the school have been busy immersing themselves in a wide range of learning experiences. Many year groups have enjoyed Christmas trips and enrichment opportunities, giving them the chance to develop cultural capital and strengthen relationships beyond the classroom. In lessons, pupils have been completing end-of-unit assessments and consolidating their knowledge, showing real determination and pride in their progress. Staff have been impressed with the maturity pupils have shown as they reflect on their learning and prepare for the new units that will begin in January.

This week also marked an important milestone for our Year 11 cohort, who received their mock examination results. Pupils engaged thoughtfully with their feedback and have already begun planning next steps to strengthen their performance ahead of the summer exams. Teachers are continuing to provide targeted support, encouragement, and guidance to help every learner achieve their full potential. We are incredibly proud of the effort, resilience, and positive attitudes displayed across the school during this busy and exciting time of term.



This week we want to give a huge shoutout to Michelle, one of our incredible tutors, whose dedication continues to shine brightly across our school community. Michelle works tirelessly to support her pupils both in and out of school, often going above and beyond through outreach work to ensure every young person feels valued and supported. Even in her rare moments of free time, she can be found seeking out areas of the school where an extra pair of hands is needed and stepping in without hesitation. Despite facing a challenging week, Michelle has continued to show up with positivity, kindness, and a smile. She is, without question, an absolute legend - and we are so grateful to have her as part of our team.

Pastoral Message



As we approach the Christmas break, I wanted to take a moment to recognise the hard work, resilience and progress our students have shown this term.

We know that this time of year can bring excitement, but it can also bring changes to routines, big emotions, and increased pressures that may feel challenging for some of our students.

Please know that we continue to be here to support you and your family. If the holiday period feels overwhelming at times, remember that small routines, quiet spaces, and regular check-ins can make a big difference. Celebrating the small steps is just as important as celebrating the big ones.

We are incredibly proud of our students, their strengths, their effort, and the unique qualities they bring to our school community. Thank you for working so closely with us, and for the care and support you give them every day.

We hope that you all enjoy a peaceful and restorative break, and we look forward to welcoming your child back in the new year.

Warm wishes,

Lesley



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

sandatransport@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

Anti-social behaviour is any action causing harassment, alarm, or distress to others.

Types of Anti-Social behaviour

- **Harassment:** Incidents that target and cause distress or fear to a specific individual or group.
- **Intimidation:** Threatening behavior, including threats or actual violence.
- **Verbal abuse:** Swearing and shouting at others.
- **Noise:** Loud music, banging, and DIY at unsociable hours.
- **Vandalism:** Property damage and graffiti.
- **Animal nuisance:** Issues like dog fouling or persistent barking.
- **Littering:** Leaving rubbish in public areas.
- **Damage to public spaces:** Vandalism of buildings, parks, or other public property.

Dealing with antisocial behavior involves documenting incidents, trying to calmly communicate if safe, and reporting serious or persistent issues to authorities like the police (101/999), your local council, or housing association, who can take formal action.

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](#)

