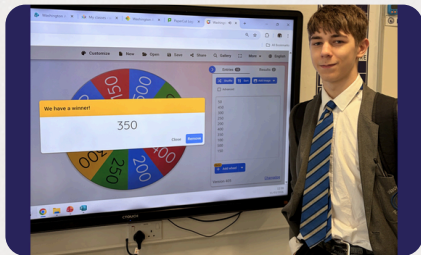


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Your window into our school community

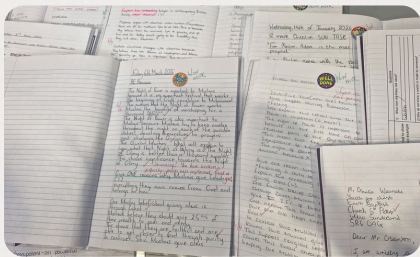


Student Spotlight

Well done to Benjamin H. (Y11) who was the top house point earner on ClassCharts last week!

Benjamin earned the chance to spin the Washington Wheel... and it landed on 350 points!

WOW Work Showcase



This week we celebrated our students' excellent work during RE WOW Work Week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Parental event

Wednesday 1st April - 9.15am - 11am

Year 8 Parents Evening

Thursday 30th April

Showcase Event

Wednesday 1st July (tickets on sale soon)



World Book Day Celebrations Launch LitFest

We had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day with our whole school community. This year's theme, "I Have a Dream," inspired creativity and reflection across every subject area, with staff and students embracing the opportunity to explore ideas, stories and ambitions through reading and engaging activities.

Classrooms were filled with imaginative tasks and thoughtful discussions as students connected literature with their own dreams

and aspirations. It was wonderful to see so many departments getting involved, each bringing literacy to life in their own creative way.

As part of our Year of Reading, World Book Day also marked the exciting launch of LitFest, our month-long celebration of literacy. The day set the tone perfectly for what promises to be a fantastic programme of events, activities and opportunities designed to encourage a love of reading across the school.

Message from the Principal

It has been another great week at school. Well done to all of the students who represented us at the recent Showcase Event—you showed great enthusiasm and did the school proud. Thank you to staff and families for their continued support.
Mrs Carter - Principal



School Choir Performs at Vocal Showcase

Our school choir had a fantastic opportunity this week as they attended and performed at the Vocal Showcase at The Fire Station in Sunderland. The event brought together talented young singers from a range of schools, creating a wonderful celebration of music and live performance. This performance was particularly special as it was only the second time the choir has performed together.

Since their first performance, the group has shown fantastic progress, growing in both confidence and stage presence. It was wonderful to see how much the students have developed in such a short time, supporting one another and performing with enthusiasm and pride.

Our students represented the school brilliantly, delivering their performance with energy, teamwork and a clear love of singing.



"I'm incredibly proud of the choir. For only their second performance together, their confidence and teamwork have grown so much."
Mrs K Dixon- Music Teacher

News in Pictures



Our Year 7 students enjoyed a Poetry Writing Workshop where they created and presented their own haiku poems.



Our next KS3 band, Runaway Club, reward event is available to book via Classcharts.



Our next parental connect event is Wednesday 1st April - 9.15am - 11am. Click the link below for more details and to book



Mystery Cheesy club Challenge!

A tricky tantalizing treat for the tastebuds that had everyone guessing!



Why Attendance Matters

Coming to school every day helps students stay on track with their learning and build strong habits for success. To encourage good attendance, each student has an Attendance Streak Card to monitor their own progress and set personal goals.

We also run weekly attendance competitions with fun rewards such as pizza parties and afternoon tea celebrations. These incentives recognise students' efforts and make attending school exciting and rewarding.

Thank you to our families for supporting regular attendance. Every day counts!

House update

A big well done to Rhinos, who won the Literacy Bingo competition during our World Book Day celebrations. It was fantastic to see so many students getting involved in reading activities across the school.

This week, students are also marking the International Day of Mathematics by taking part in the Pi Memory Challenge during form time. Students will be testing their memory skills to see how many digits of Pi they can recall - good luck to everyone taking part.

Easter connect parent event - Wednesday 1st April - 9.15am - 11am
book here: <https://forms.gle/xGYdemePNzVr3Sp47>



Attendance Update – wb 9.3.26

Congratulations to the Attendance Streak Card winners last week who will have the use of a Q Jumper for themselves and friend all week.

Year 7 Macie R

Year 8 Caleb H

Year 9 Lily B

Year 10 Tyler R

Year 11 Anna S

The winners of the Greggs vouchers for showing improvement in attendance are: -

Year 7 Ryan M

Year 8 Ian D

Year 9 Callum A

Year 10 Cora Leigh W

Year 11 Florence M

Congratulations to the following students who all moved into a higher absence band this week – well done ☺

Kia A Mason F

Callum A Alfie J

Olivia B Florence M

Joshua B Kaiden M

Scarlett C

Jordan D Ryan M

Yasmin D Alice W

Amelia D Liliya W

Ian D Cora Leigh W

Adam F



Spot prizes all week – remember to complete ASC and know your cumulative attendance!

Regular attendance ensures that you receive a consistent education, build stronger relationships, and develop essential life skills. Everyone should have an attendance over 95% - what can you do to improve yours?

Teaching and Learning Bulletin

In this section, you will find out what your child is learning in English, Maths, Science and PSHE next half term. We share key topics, skills and learning goals for each subject so you can support and encourage your child's progress at home. Stay connected with your child's learning journey and celebrate the exciting work happening in our classrooms.

Core English

7- Culture Poetry

8- Conflict Poetry and Short Story

9- Relationship Poetry/ Shakespeare: Othello(Tragedy and the Tragic Hero Focus)

10- Eduqas Literature: Anthology Poetry

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Core Maths

7- FDP, Perimeter and Area, Averages, Rounding and Estimating

8- Standard form, Statistical Analysis, Algebraic manipulation, Inequalities

9- Pythagoras, Non-linear Graphs, Sets and Probability

10- Sequences and straight-line graphs, Circles, surface area and volume

11- Foundation – Probability, Graphs, Laws of indices, Transformations, Angle facts, plans and elevations, Revision and Exam preparation. Higher: Algebraic Proofs, Geometric Proofs, Non-linear Graphs, Revision and Exam preparation.

Core Science

7- Sound and light and our Solar System organisation

8- Interdependence of organisms, evaporation and water cycle. Electrical circuits.

9- Cell Biology, Energy of moving particles & Periodic Table

10- Human lifestyles and Health, Rates of reaction and Catalyst & Particle Explanation

11- Chemical Analysis, Magnets/Electromagnets plus revision and exam preparation

PD Lessons

7- Health and wellbeing

8- Health and well being

9- Relationship and Sex Education

10- Living in the Wider World