



Sixth Form Newsletter

Creating Opportunities; Developing Independence

Spring 2024

Welcome to our newsletter which has lots of information about what we've been up to this term.

Happy New Year to you all!

We are happy to see all the students back after the Christmas break. Students enjoyed a visit to the cinema in Darlington before we broke up and they enjoyed dancing at the school disco.

Class Dojo

As a school we are aware of the amount of paper we use and we are always looking for ways to reduce the impact on our environment.

We are moving from paper home/school diaries to ClassDojo, if you haven't logged onto ClassDojo yet please do so, if you need a replacement login contact your young person's form teacher.



Christmas Show

Robin Hood was very well received by the parents/carers and families of the sixth form students. The students were very proud of themselves, rightly so, as the audience gave them a standing ovation!! We hope you enjoyed the film on ClassDojo.

Dates for your diary

Half Term - Friday 16 February 2024

Easter holidays - Thursday 28 March 2024

Auckland Project

This term some pupils will be visiting the Mining Museum as part of their study of local art. We will be looking mainly at the work of Norman Cornish. Another group will also be returning to Auckland Castle as part of their Art studies to experience different aspects of castle life and support them with their personal projects in Art in Summer.

Durham Works

Some of our students are working with staff from Durham works on a project designed to raise awareness of skills and qualities needed in the world or work. They will visit a local factory to see a variety of jobs in the workplace.

Pet Care

We sadly lost our hamster, Eowyn, just before Christmas. We still have our rabbits, Fox and Panther, and the guinea pigs, Dodger, Cookie, Revell, Tiffin and Liquorice.



Enterprise

The Oaks School Enterprise Fayre was well attended, sixth form students developed their skills making and selling their products. Any profit made will be used to ensure our sixth form animals are well looked after, students have opportunities to take part in fun and educational activities.

Employer Visit

This half term a number of students are going to visit Husqvarna in Newton Aycliffe as part of our careers curriculum. They will be looking at the working environment and the products they make.

Husqvarna offers a full range of forest and gardening tools including **lawn mowers**, chainsaws, robotic **mowers**.