

Newcastle Academy

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Executive Principals Message – Mr Henshaw

This half term has seen our Year 11 students start their exam season, the first one for 2 years and the end of 5 years education for our Year 11 students. They have conducted themselves brilliantly in the revision sessions and in the first few weeks of exams and I wish them all the best for the rest of the exam timetable and of course with their results and future plans – they deserve the success!

This newsletter will be my last and it only serves as a reminder of the exceptional talent we have amongst our students but also the number opportunities that are available throughout the academy, it is impressive to see our students taking part in competitions and extra-curricular activity.

Next half term will be the last for Ms Newton at Newcastle Academy and I wanted to take an opportunity to thank her personally for all her support and significant contribution to the academy and its transformation, she has provided strong leadership in our pastoral care system and most recently in all academy life and it has been a real honour to work alongside her.

Finally, I want to send my best wishes to all of you and your families, thank you for your support and I know that you will continue to show Mrs Bromley Smith the same level of support and encouragement. The future of the academy is in safe hands in the leadership team and 2022/2023 will see further steps of improvement.

Thank you all and take care, it has been my privilege to serve this community.

Jamie Henshaw

Associate Principals Message – Ms Newton

As we enter the final half term of the Academic year it is first with some sadness that we say goodbye to Mr Henshaw who has led the Academy in its transformation in recent years. All students and staff will miss him, but also wish him the very best of luck in his new venture in the far North!

We are also almost at the point of saying goodbye to our fabulous year 11 students who are now a good way through their final examinations. It has been a lot of hard work, but they are doing incredibly well and we are all very proud of them!

Please all have a lovely half term, enjoy the Jubilee celebrations and we will see you on Monday 6th June for the final few weeks of the 21/22 academic year!

Lois Newton

The Term Ahead –

Summer 2022	Event
Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June	May Half Term Holiday
Monday 6 th June	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 19 th July	Last day of term

GCSEs have now 'fully' arrived for our Year 11 students! They have shown hard work, determination and made huge efforts over the academic year so far to prepare themselves. Not only have they needed to learn a huge amount of subject content, they have also had to attend tutoring sessions, after school intervention, and become familiar again with working under examination conditions.

To say that we are proud of them is an understatement.

All of the staff here at Newcastle Academy would like to wish our Year 11 students the very best of luck over the coming weeks and thank their parents/carers and teachers for the support they have shown throughout their learning journey.

We also ask Year 11 to remember something very important.

Although these examinations will mark so much of what has been learned over the past five years, they do not cover everything that makes them special, talented and unique individuals. There are many other skills and qualities that cannot be identified by a written exam. So, Year 11, get plenty of rest, take deep breaths, try your best and be very proud of everything that you have already achieved so far this year.

We think that you are amazing no matter what!



This academic year students have been spoken to about testicular cancer awareness.....keeping the conversation going



Amazing results and participation from our year 7 and 8 pupils including our Bronze, silver and gold certificate winners of the UKMT junior challenge 2022



A massive well done to the year 8 netball team on coming 4th at the Newcastle School Netball Tournament beating The Kings and SIR THOMAS BOUGHHEY!!! All students did amazingly well and made Miss Ashley super proud



During Eco Club this week one of our students discovered some small birds' eggs, whilst tidying up, another student used a fantastic App on their i-pad to take a picture of the eggs, which identifies the species of birds! The nest wasn't disturbed and re-camouflaged, we can't wait to see if we can some new additions to the garden soon



5 year 10 Scientists represented Newcastle Academy in the Potteries Science Olympics, held by Stoke 6th Form College. Students competed in a range of challenges and masterclasses in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Math's. Although we didn't take home the trophy, students had a great day, showed teamwork, resilience, and exceptional problem-solving skills. We also came in the top 4 in over half of the competitions. Well done guys



Year 10 students - local colleges are now holding their summer open events and this is a great time to look around! This will give you a chance to look around and get a feel for different colleges without the pressure of an application deadline looming. Local dates are:

Newcastle College - Saturday, 7th May, 10am - 12pm NSCG | Newcastle Campus - <https://nscg.ac.uk/newcastle-campus>

(stokecoll.ac.uk) - <https://www.stokecoll.ac.uk/event/open-evening/>

Reaseheath College - Tuesday 14th June, 6pm - 8pm Open evening for September 2022 applicants - Reaseheath College <https://www.reaseheath.ac.uk/course-open-days/>



The Army will be running a careers event at the Army Careers centre on Liverpool Road at 10am on Saturday, 2nd July. Parents are welcome to attend and this will be a brilliant opportunity to ask questions and find out more about army life and the roles on offer



Extra Curricular Timetable 2021-22

Monday	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
Pop Choir	All Years	Lunch	D16	Mrs Sumner	12.40-1.05pm
Year 10/11 Sport BTEC Intervention	Year 10 & 11	Lunch	D17	Miss Ashley	12.40-1.05pm
Tuesday	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
KS3 Interform Sport	Selected Year Groups each week	Lunch	CSH	Mr Tracey	12.40-1.05pm
Science in Action	All Years	Lunch	CLB	Mr Walker	12.40-1.05pm
Independent Study	All Years	Lunch	CLB	Mr Walker	12.40-1.05pm
French Club	All Years	Lunch	D2	Mrs Haley	12.40-1.05pm
Rounders	All Years	Afterschool	CSH/Yard	Miss Ashley	3.15-4.15pm
Boys Football	Year 7	Afterschool	DSH/Yard	Coach	3.15-4.15pm
Food Club	All Years	Afterschool	D21	Mrs Franks	3.15-4.30pm
Young Engineers	Year 10	Afterschool	C9	Mr Walker	3.15-4.15pm
Ecology Club	All Years	Afterschool	Garden	Mrs Jefferies/Mrs Lamont	3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
Boys Football	Year 8 & 9	Lunch	CSH	Mr Tracey	12.40-1.05pm
Lacrosse	Year 7, 8, 9	Lunch	DSH	Miss Ashley	12.40-1.05pm
Independent Study	All Years	Lunch	CLB	Mrs Finney	12.40-1.05pm
Drama Club	Year 7, 8, 9	Lunch	D16	Mrs Bard	12.40-1.05pm
Athletics	All Years	Afterschool	Field	Mr Tracey	3.15-4.15pm
Fixtures (invite only)	All Years	Afterschool	Yard	Miss Ashley	3.15pm onwards
Robotics Club	All Years	Afterschool	D18/D20	Mrs Franks	3.15-4.30pm
Crime Scene Investigation (CSI)	Year 7, 8 & 9	Afterschool	C8	All Science Staff	3.15-4.15pm
Weather Watching	All Years	Afterschool	D5	Mr Gibson	3.15-4.15pm
Thursday	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
Anti-Bullying Ambassador Drop In	All Years	Lunch	D6	Student Ambassadors	12.40-1.05pm
Minecraft Club	Year 7, 8 & 9	Lunch	D15	Mr Rhodes	12.40-1.05pm
Lego and Well-being Drop In	All Years	Lunch	D3	Mrs Hallam	12.40-1.05pm
Art Club	All Years	Lunch	D22	Mrs Evans	12.40-1.05pm
Intervention Support	Invite Only	Afterschool	D6	Mrs Green	
Maths Intervention	Year 11	Afterschool	C1, C2, C4	Mr Keeling/Mr Jones/Mrs Fletcher	3.15-4.15pm
Science Intervention	Year 11	Afterschool	C8, C9, C19	All Science Staff	3.15-4.15pm
History Enrichment (invite only)	Year 10	Afterschool	D4	Mrs Chitty	3.15-4.15pm
Fixtures (invite only)	All Years	Afterschool	Yard	Mr Tracey	3.15pm onwards
Badminton	All Years + STAFF	Afterschool	CSH	Miss Ashley	3.15-4.15pm
Friday	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
Cricket	Year 7, 8 & 9	Lunch	CSH	Mrs Thomas	12.40-1.05pm
Year 11 Gym	Year 11	Lunch	Gym	Mr Tracey	12.40-1.05pm
Games Club	All Years	Lunch	C6	Mrs Finney/Mrs Fletcher	12.40-1.05pm
Independent Study	All Years	Lunch	CLB	Mrs Stott	12.40-1.05pm
Computer Science Intervention	Year 11	Afterschool	D14	Mr Adams/Mr Rhodes	3.15-4.15pm
Teams Only	Who	When	Where	Staff Member	Time
Stem Club	Year 7	At Home		Mrs Lamont	Anytime

Holidays during term time on both the individual and the whole school

Attendance

have a significant impact on students' attendance and attendance figures. Can

we please ask that students are not taken on holiday during the school terms? Students are categorized as persistently absent with a figure of less than 90%, this automatically triggers statutory action.

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please inform us on:

Absence line: 01782 667650

Please remember you need to contact us every day of your child's absence.

Contacting the Academy

If you have any questions or concerns please contact your child's House Leader by calling 01782 667650 or visit our website for further contact details.

Please contact reception to notify school of any changes to your contact details, for example, change of telephone numbers, email addresses or changes to any medical conditions.