

FERRYHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Weardale Adventure Centre



A small group of Year 8 students had a freezing but excellent day at Weardale Adventure Centre on Tuesday.

Students tackled various high rope courses, worked as team and encouraged and supported each other though out!

Students used a range of key skills to climb Jacob's ladder and the leap of faith.



After a lovely home cooked pasta bake, garlic bread and sponge cake for lunch they were back at it!

The afternoon consisted of multiple games of Archery tag.

Archery tag is a sport similar to dodgeball and paintball played with bows and arrows tipped with foam.

Students were made up of 2 teams:

'Langdale for Life' and 'Handley's Hero's'

Mr Handley and Mrs Langdale we're slightly competitive as their teams found out!

Everyone soon warmed up with lots of running around, tactical hiding and great communication skills to take down the opponent's team





FOOTBALL SUCCESS!

Wednesday 8th of March was International Women's Day and also the biggest EVER football session introduced by the FA and Barclays in line with the Let Girl's Play campaign. Six of our football loving leaders attended Go Well's session for the local primary schools. The aim of the day was to encourage more girls to get involved with playing football, whether at lunch time, afterschool or having a kick around in the garden. Our leaders led small football-based activities such as shooting through hoops, passing accuracy challenges and small sided football games. The day was a huge success with over 150 girls taking part.



Ferryhill School Leaders

Ferryhill Student Leaders met with Andy and Louise from Livin' and Glenys from Approach Too to discuss a new project designed to reduce litter in Ferryhill. More details to follow, or check out the Approach Too Facebook page.



BOOK OF
THE WEEK

Waiting for Anya by Michael Morpurgo

Jo did not stop until he'd shut the door behind him and even then his heart could not stop pounding in his ears.

Jo finds out that Jewish children are being smuggled away from the Nazis over the mountains near his village. All goes to plan until German soldiers start patrolling the mountains, and Jo realises the children are trapped. Jo's slightest mistake could have devastating consequences.



Parking/Exit Off Site After School

Can we please ask that parents/carers do not park down the back of the car park, in the car park or around the side entrance/bungalows at the end of the school day (2.30pm) unless you have permission to do so. This not only causes issues for both staff trying to leave and for residents living nearby but it also causes issues around the safety of our students.

Students are reminded to exit the school site via the pedestrian gates below the car park only. Students should not exit the school site via either the top car park or bottom car park gates or over the fence. It is important that we separate traffic and pedestrians on site which is why we have these procedures in place.

Behaviour consequences will be issued to students who fail to follow school procedures.



National
Day of
Reflection



ASSEMBLIES

Next weeks assemblies will focus on the National Day of Reflection

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for 1 Parent Governor on our Governing Body.

The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

To be a parent governor you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills.

Our Governing Body has a membership of 12, with representatives from the staff, local community and parents.

The Governing Body is not involved in the day to day running of the school; they have a strategic role with responsibility for overseeing leadership and management. It has 3 core functions:

- setting strategic direction
- creating robust accountability
- ensuring best use of financial resources

The full Governing Body must meet at least three times per academic year, and as a school, we also have frequent Committee meetings each term. There is an expectation that governors will also undertake monitoring visits into school to find out more about the school throughout the year. Individual governors do not have any powers, instead the Governing Body works closely with the Executive Headteacher and Head of School to make decisions collectively as a team.

Any parent, or carer, of a registered pupil at the school at the time of election is eligible to stand for election as a Parent Governor (subject to certain exceptions, e.g. anyone employed at the school for more than 500 hours per annum is not eligible). Parent Governors, may on occasion, be elected by other parents at the school if there are more applications than spaces available.

Appointment is also subject to eligibility criteria and completion of a Disclosure & Barring Service check.

All governors must abide by our agreed Code of Conduct covering issues such as confidentiality, conflicts of interest, training requirements.

Prospective candidates are invited to speak with the Executive Headteacher and Chair of Governors prior to submitting an application so they are fully aware of the roles and responsibilities involved – please contact Mrs Forster, MAT Company Secretary, to make an appointment. Please note the closing date for this post is Friday 24 March 2023 at 12 noon.

Spring Term 2023 Period 6

As we move closer towards the Year 11 GCSE examinations, our Period 6 timetable has changed slightly to ensure that every student receives the relevant support in all subject areas. Sessions will run from Monday to Friday between 2:30pm – 3:30pm. Attendance of Period 6 is NOT optional and will also form part of being invited to this year's prom but more importantly, attendance will have an impact on performance in exams.

Students will be brought down to the dining hall by Period 5 teachers at 2:25pm where refreshments will be available. Following this, they will then be collected by Period 6 teachers and taken to their sessions. Finally, late buses will be available each night of the week and will drop off at the same locations as last term. We really value the ongoing support from parents with Period 6 in our drive for excellence for all Ferryhill students.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option B	Maths	English	Maths / Sci	Lecture Rotations	
Art NCA	DHO E1	BSO A1	JJO	KBR / SMO	All other students
Eng SSH	BCL E2	LHD A2	SBI	NAN	
Geog PCO	KPI A1	NDO E2	LDU	KPI	
H&S CHA	A2 (Split LDA, AWO OBE)	KCA E1	DWI	SHA	
Phot TSU	11C1 MKI	EMU C1	11C1 MKI		
Sports CEL	11C2 DHO	RML C2	11C2 & 11 WR JEM	Interventions	
Hist JFR	11WR	NAN WR		LGI Business E1	
Hist SHA	AGR to support			MCG Business C1	
				GBO (Bus Support)	
				CEL Sports	

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Maths / Sci	Option A	Option C	English	Lecture Rotations	
SKN D4	Geography PCO	Engineering SSH	BSO A1	KBR / SMO	All other students
ACO D5	H&S CHA	French CJO	NAN A2	NAN	
DHO E1	History AGY	IT DLE	NDO E2	KPI	
BCL E2	History JFR	Music JPO	KCA E1	SHA	
KPI A1	History SHA	Photography TSU	EMU C1		
A2 (Split LDA, AWO OBE)	E1 Business LGI	Photography NCA	RML C2 & WR	Interventions	
JEM WR (target) AGR Support	WR Business MCG	Sports JSC		LGI Business E2	
		Art BCA		GBO (Bus Support)	
				MCG Business A1	
				MLU Business C2 & A2	
				CEL Sports	



Extra Curricular Timetable



MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>READING CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 14 MISS GIBBS JGI@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>NETBALL ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MISS STOREY IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>FOOTBALL ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MR ELLIOT CEL@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>
<p>PRIDE CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS WEEK A ONLY ROOM 18 MRS LUNN MLU@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>STEAM CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 48/50 MR KNAGGS SKN@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST SCHOOL CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 35 MR HENDERSON GHE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>
<p>SMARTIES CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 20 MRS CASEMORE BCA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>HISTORY CLUB (WEEK A ONLY) ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 19 MR HANDLEY SHA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>CHOIR (STARTS 13TH OCTOBER) ROOM 55 MR POULSON JPO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>
<p>SPORTS LEADERS QUALIFICATION (SPORTS LEADERS ONLY) WITH MISS STOREY IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>	<p>HOMEWORK CLUB ALL YEARS ROOM 36 DR WAUGH (RUNS MON AND WED)</p>	<p>SEWING CLUB ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 20 MRS CASEMORE BCA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>
<p>DODGEBALL ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MR HEPPLE JHE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>		
<p>BOARD GAME CLUB ALL YEARS ROOM 12 MISS CORNER CCO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</p>		
<p>HOMEWORK CLUB ALL YEARS ROOM 36 DR WAUGH (RUNS MON AND WD)</p>		

