



15TH SEPTEMBER 2023 | ISSUE 2

# FERRYHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## KEEPING EVERYONE IN THE LOOP

### YEARS 10/11

## Gateway Site - NOT OPEN UNTIL Monday 25th September

Thanks to all of those parents, carers and students who attended the open house event at Ferryhill Upper School based at the old Gateway site last night, I hope you liked the place as much as we do.

We were all obviously pleased to hear that the heating situation was almost resolved, but I do now need to let you know that we have now found a major water leak. This morning, engineers let me know that we were looking a significant problem and it will require trenches being dug across the site to find the leak and the water supply to buildings will be cut. Typically, when Ferryhill has had leaks of this magnitude, it has taken a week to resolve, hence stating the 25th September as the new start date.

It's obviously very frustrating for us all and I'm personally very disappointed after all of the hard work over the past few days ,but it's just another obstacle that we will eventually overcome. We will get there.

All credit goes to the Bishop Auckland Team who have done an amazing job trying to bring the building back to life in a very short period of time.

Year 10 and 11 students will continue to have live lessons on Teams, but will follow their new timetables. These should be available in ClassCharts by Sunday evening.

Both Ferryhill and Leisure Centre sites will be open from Monday 18 September.

# TIMINGS OF THE SCHOOL DAY



## FERRYHILL LOWER SCHOOL - TIMINGS

Morning Meeting	08:30 – 08:45	
Period 1	08:45 – 09:45	
Period 2	09:45 – 10:45	
Break Tutor	Y7 10:45 – 11:00 Y8 11:00 – 11:15	Y8 11:00 – 11:15 Y7 10:45 – 11:00
Period 3	11:15 – 12:15	
Lunch	12:15 – 13:00	
Period 4	13:00 – 13:45	
Period 5	13:45 – 14:30	
Afternoon Meeting	Y7 14:30 – 14:45 Y8 14:30 – 14:50	

**Years 7 & 8**



## FERRYHILL LEISURE- TIMINGS

Morning Meeting	08:30 – 08:45
Period 1	08:45 – 09:45
Morning Break	09:45 – 10:00
Period 2	10:00 – 11:00
Period 3 - First Half	11:00 – 11:30
Lunch	11:30 – 12:00
Period 3 - Second Half	12:00 – 12:30
Period 4	12:30 – 13:30
Tutor	13:30 – 13:45
Period 5	13:45 – 14:40
Afternoon Meeting	14:40 – 15:00

**Year 9**

# TIMINGS OF THE SCHOOL DAY CONT....



## FERRYHILL UPPER SCHOOL - TIMINGS

Morning Meeting	08:30 – 08:45	
Period 1	08:45 – 09:45	
Period 2	09:45 – 10:45	
Break	Y10 10:45 – 11:00	Y11 11:00 – 11:15
Tutor	Y10 11:00 – 11:15	Y11 10:45 – 11:00
Period 3	11:15 – 12:15	
Lunch	Y10 12.45 – 13.15	Y11 12:15 – 12:45
Period 4	First half 12:15 – 12:45 Second half 13:15 – 13:45	Y11 12:45 – 13:45
Period 5	13:45 – 14:35	
Afternoon Meeting	14:35 – 15:00	

**Years 10 & 11**

### IMPORTANT PARENT NOTICE FERRYHILL SITE

Parents are not to park in the school car park or enter the site on foot to collect their child unless they have been provided with a permit from School. Due to ongoing works around the area, we have a designated exit to ensure students can leave the site safely.

### YEAR 9 LEISURE CENTRE TRAVEL INFORMATION

Please note that any year 9 students who live in the Ferryhill area are expected to make their own way to the Leisure Centre on Monday 18 September with the expectation of those living in Kirk Merrington who can make their way to school and get on a school bus.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT A NEW UPDATED VERSION OF THE TEMPORARY BUS TIMETABLE HAS BEEN SENT TO PARENTS AND HAS BEEN ADDED TO OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE**



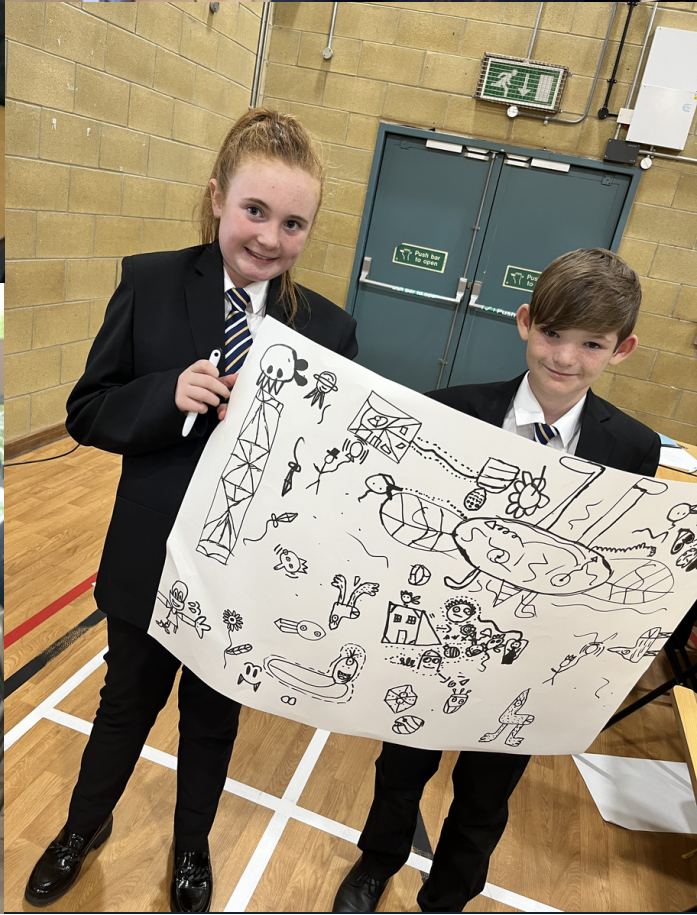
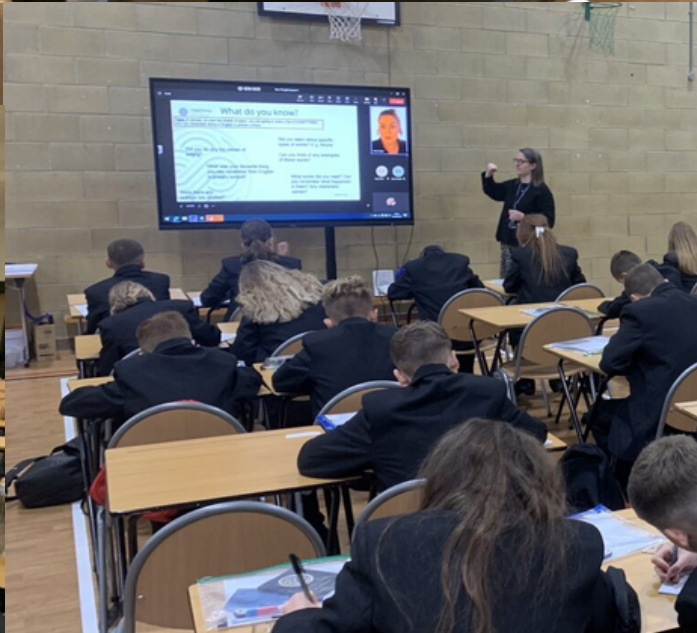


Once again, our staff have worked non stop around the clock to try and get our new sites ready.





Year 7- A week in pictures





# LEARNING HABITS



FERRYHILL  
SCHOOL

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POSITIVE  
RESPONSE

WE DO AS WE ARE ASKED FIRST TIME,  
EVERY TIME.



PUNCTUALITY

WE ATTEND EVERY DAY  
AND ARE ON TIME FOR ALL LESSONS.



CORRECT  
UNIFORM

WE WEAR THE CORRECT UNIFORM  
AND TAKE PRIDE IN OUR APPEARANCE.



EQUIPMENT

WE HAVE ALL THE TOOLS SO THAT  
WE ARE READY TO LEARN.



ON TASK  
BEHAVIOUR

WE ARE ALWAYS ON TASK IN EVERY LESSON  
AND BEHAVE WITH INTEGRITY OUTSIDE  
OF THE CLASSROOM.



GETTING IT RIGHT



# AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO OUR STUDENTS

As we embark on this new academic year, let us first acknowledge the undeniable truth: life is a journey filled with challenges! One of the most valuable lessons you will learn during your education is not just the content of your textbooks, but the art of overcoming obstacles, and the resilience to keep moving forward.

It's not about what you're up against; it's about how you choose to tackle it.

Here's how challenges can shape your journey to excellence:

## **1. Personal Growth and Resilience:**

Every challenge you face is an opportunity for personal growth. The process of overcoming difficulties builds your resilience. It makes you stronger, more adaptable, and better prepared for the challenges that lie ahead in your academic journey and beyond. Remember, it's not about avoiding adversity but embracing it as a chance to evolve.

## **2. Learning and Development:**

Challenges are our greatest teachers. They force us to think creatively, problem-solve, and develop new skills. When you overcome a challenging situation, you're not just learning from your textbooks but from the real world. Each obstacle is a chance to become a more knowledgeable, capable, and well-rounded individual.

## **3. Building Confidence:**

Every challenge you conquer boosts your confidence. It shows you that you have the strength and determination to overcome anything that comes your way. As you face the challenge of a new school setting, remember that by tackling it head-on, you're not just resolving an issue but also building the confidence to handle future challenges.

## **4. Achieving Your Dreams:**

Success is sweeter when it's hard-earned. Challenges are the stepping stones that lead you closer to your dreams. When you overcome obstacles, you're one step closer to achieving your goals. Think of every challenge as a test of your commitment to your aspirations and an opportunity to prove your dedication. As you navigate this year, remember that challenges are not meant to break you but to shape you into extraordinary individuals. Embrace them with determination, courage, and an unwavering belief in your abilities. Remember, you're not alone on this journey. Your teachers, parents, friends, and the entire school community are here to support.

**Stay inspired, stay resilient, and give it everything you've got!**



## Emotional Wellbeing

In order to support the transition to secondary school during the course of September we have arranged a number of workshops delivered by the Durham County Emotional Wellbeing Team.

More information will follow.



## Heads of Year

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**Year 10:**

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## Learning Support

If you have any questions about your learning, please email us on:

**learningsupport@ferryhill.school**

## IT Support

If you have any questions about remote learning and accessing Teams email:

**itsupport@ferryhill.school**

## Teaching Support

If you require support from your class teachers they will remind you of their email addresses next week during online lessons

## General

If you have any general questions you can contact our general office on **general@ferryhill.school**