

# FERRYHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## ASPIRE DAY

### YEAR 7

66 students visited Durham Gala Theatre whilst the remaining students remained in school on a rota of activities including relaxation, resilience and a workshop focussing on energy drinks and vaping.





# YEAR 8

The whole of year 8 went to Beamish Museum as part of their Aspire Day. Students visited the farm, the pit village and the town as well as the sweet shop. Students were lucky enough to have a demonstration about the development of the miners' safety lamp and participated in a question-and-answer session, testing their scientific knowledge!

The sun shone and pupil behaviour was excellent. Well done year 8.



(Andrew and Myles check out the air raid shelter at the farm!)

# YEAR 9

Students took part in a rotation of Science/Forensics activities throughout the day.



Year 10 students remained in school and completed coursework whilst year 11 students took part in intervention sessions in readiness for the upcoming GCSE exams



# OUTWARD BOUND

On April 17th, 47 students from Ferryhill School set off on a journey towards Ullswater in the Lake District where their skills would be tested, and their fears faced. Upon arrival, students were shown their rooms but there was no time to relax as their first activity was about to start - jog and dip. We all ran through the centre and towards the lake shore to then hurl ourselves from the jetty into the lake which was pretty cold! After warming up and drying off, the teams met their instructors and went through the plans for the week. Over the next 4 days, the students were pushed to their limits on activities such as gorge walking at Cold Cove, mountain walking up Catstye Cam, raft building, orienteering, canoeing and cliff jumping. The week was amazing, the weather was great and our students were absolutely fantastic! A huge well done from Miss Storey, Mr Heppell, Miss Brabben and Mrs Porritt!



# GCSE English Literature Study Guides (for Years 9 and 10)

CGP study guides for the GCSE Literature texts that students study for their exams are available to purchase through Parent Pay. An English Language guide is also available. Each guide is priced at £3.20 (rather than the £6.50 if your order directly from the publisher!). There is a separate Parent Pay account for each guide. Please pay into the account which links to the guide you require. The order that the Literature texts are studied in is shown below; Language is taught throughout. Further opportunities to buy the guides will, of course, be offered later. **Please note: these are the same guides that have been offered previously so if you have already bought them, please don't buy them again! We are unable to refund money if multiple guides are bought in error.**



**The deadline for this round of orders is: Friday, 19th May at 3pm**

The accounts are named as follows:

- English: Poetry Study Guide (studied in both Year 9 and 10)
- English: A Christmas Carol Study Guide (studied in Year 10)
- English: An Inspector Calls Study Guide (studied in Year 10)
- English: Macbeth Study Guide (studied in Year 11)
- English: Language (skills developed throughout but specific exam teaching is predominantly in Year 11)

**FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!** I have some copies of the Literature study guides which have been returned by ex-students or sent as sample copies by the company. I can give you those for free...just drop me an email. There's a limited number so be quick!

Please don't hesitate to email me if you have any questions: [kca@ferryhill.school](mailto:kca@ferryhill.school)

Thank you.

Mrs Carter

Director of Learning for English

## YEAR 10 PARENTS EVENING

Year 10 – Tuesday 9 May 2023

Your child has now been given an appointment slip and should be making appointments directly with their subject teachers. Please ensure your child is aware of your availability between 3:00pm – 6:15pm. If your child has not received their slip for any reason, they can get one from Miss Walton in the main office.



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YEAR 11 PARENTS

Year 11 leavers hoodies can be purchased from the Price and Buckland website or by using this link:

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/schools/ferryhill-business-enterprise-college.html>

The cut-off date for ordering leavers hoodies is Monday 8th May. ALL hoodies will be delivered to SCHOOL w/c 15th May, so please DO NOT select home delivery. Please note these are non-refundable unless they are faulty.



## Party in the Park Tombola

Year 11 are fast approaching the end of their time here at Ferryhill School and we are looking forward to celebrating achievements both big and small. To help fund some of the events we have planned, a group of year 11 students will be running a tombola during the party in the park which has been organised to celebrate the King's Coronation.

Please can I ask that you take this opportunity to clear out your cupboards and anything you would be happy to donate is sent into school before Wednesday 3rd May. Donations can be dropped off either at reception or students can deliver them to Miss Hanson's office. Thankyou in advance for your support.  
Kind regards, Miss Hanson

## TEACHER STRIKE WE ARE OPEN AS USUAL

Just a reminder that there is another planned strike on Tuesday 2nd May 2023 by the NEU. As the majority of our staff are in a different union, this WILL NOT affect Ferryhill School, school will be open as normal for all year groups. In the unlikely event that the situation changes, we will inform parents/carers as soon as possible. We will let you know regarding any further strike days closer to the time but this is likely to be the same.

## ASSEMBLIES

**Next week's assemblies will focus on Academic Excellence.**



# BOOK OF THE WEEK

## Malamander by Thomas Taylor

Nobody visits Eerie-on-Sea in the winter. Especially not when darkness falls and the wind howls around Maw Rocks and the wreck of the battleship Leviathan, where even now some swear they have seen the unctuous Malamander creep...



Herbert Lemon, Lost-and-Founder at the Grand Nautilus Hotel, knows that returning lost things to their rightful owners is not easy – especially when the lost thing is not a thing at all, but a girl. No one knows what happened to Violet Parma's parents twelve years ago, and when she engages Herbie to help her find them, the pair discover that their disappearance might have something to do with the legendary sea-monster, the Malamander. Eerie-on-Sea has always been a mysteriously chilling place, where strange stories seem to wash up. And it just got stranger...

## REPLACEMENT BUS PASS

From 17th April DCC will now be charging parents/carers for any lost bus passes. If anyone needs a replacement pass the cost is £5.25 and the phone number in order to make this payment is 03000264444 - option 3 if a concession pass or option 4 if an entitled pass. Once the replacement pass has been paid for please go to Mrs Edgar who will issue you with a temporary pass until the replacement is sent out.

## JOB VACANCY

### Lunchtime Supervisor

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor at school. If you are interested please go to our website or call at the school reception for an application pack



**Be smart on the  
internet**

**Don't use rude or  
offensive language.  
There are so many  
other words from which  
to choose.**

# Have you completed Ferryhill Community Survey?

Glenys from Approach Too said, "I am really proud to have been involved in helping to create this survey along with Ferryhill School School Leaders, other amazing Ferryhill residents and fantastic organisations from the Ferryhill Community. With great support from Ferryhill Town Council and Durham Community Action, the aim is to find out more about the wellbeing of local people and their views on what matters to them.

The results will be used to help plan local services and they will also be shared with everyone so Councils, community groups, schools, churches and charities in our community can all evidence need and local opinion which in turn can help them secure funding for Ferryhill."

You can complete the survey by following the link on the Ferryhill Community Survey Facebook page, simply scan in the QR code on your phone or tablet, pick up a paper copy at Ferryhill Town Hall or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FhillCmttySurvey>

Please complete our Ferryhill Community Survey, your views are really important and we think this can help us make our community even stronger.





# Extra Curricular Timetable



MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p><b>READING CLUB</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 14 MISS GIBBS <a href="mailto:JGI@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">JGI@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>NETBALL</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MISS STOREY <a href="mailto:IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>FOOTBALL</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MR ELLIOTT <a href="mailto:CEL@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">CEL@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>
<p><b>SMARTIES CLUB</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 22 MS LEA/MRS SHERWOOD <a href="mailto:DLE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">DLE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a> OR <a href="mailto:SSH@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">SSH@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>DRAMA CLUB</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS MAIN SCHOOL HALL MRS SOWERBY <a href="mailto:BSO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">BSO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>SEWING CLUB</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 20 MRS CASEMORE <a href="mailto:BCA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">BCA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>
<p><b>HOMEWORK CLUB</b> ALL YEARS ROOM 36 MRS MULLEN (RUNS MON AND WED) <a href="mailto:CMU@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">CMU@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>HOMEWORK CLUB</b> ALL YEARS ROOM 36 MISS GIBBS/MRS GREEN (RUNS MON AND WED) <a href="mailto:LGI@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">LGI@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a> <a href="mailto:EAG@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">EAG@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>CHOIR</b> ROOM 55 MR POULSTON <a href="mailto:JPO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">JPO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>
<p><b>SPORTS LEADERS QUALIFICATION (SPORTS LEADERS ONLY)</b> MISS STOREY <a href="mailto:IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">IST@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>HISTORY CLUB (WEEK A ONLY)</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS ROOM 21 MR HANDLEY <a href="mailto:SHA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">SHA@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	
<p><b>DODGEBALL</b> ALL YEAR GROUPS SPORTS HALL MR HEPELL <a href="mailto:JHE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">JHE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	<p><b>FILM CLUB</b> YEARS 7 – 10 ONLY ROOM 19 MR DEVON <a href="mailto:TDE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">TDE@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>	
<p><b>BOARD GAME CLUB</b> ALL YEARS ROOM 12 MISS CORNER <a href="mailto:CCO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL">CCO@FERRYHILL.SCHOOL</a></p>		





# Year 11 celebration events – raffle



We have been overwhelmed by the kind donations we have received for this amazing raffle

**Prizes include:**

- Black and Decker tools
- Scentsy hamper
- Prosecco
- Drinks hamper
- And vouchers for items including:
  - Sunday lunch for 2
  - Cupcakes
  - Cut & blow dry
  - Facials
  - Dermaplaining
  - Flowers
  - Fruit & Veg hamper
  - Birthday party room hire
  - Winns fuel cleaner
  - Drinks
  - Beauty treatments
  - Fish & Chips for 2
  - Gym memberships
  - Dog swimming sessions
  - Amazon shopping
  - Fishing reel

**Tickets can be purchased through ParentPay or if you would like to purchase tickets directly please message the FS Careers & PD Facebook page for further payment information.**

**A huge thankyou goes to the following businesses**

- Spectrum Community Leisure, Willington
- Beauty By Keeley
- K H Auto Crook
- Little Hand Bakes
- Adelle's
- Supreme Scents By Nat
- Razors Edge
- Fiori
- FSEC
- Romanas
- The Works
- Kims Hairdressing
- The Grey Hound
- Manor House Hotel
- Dolled Up Beauty & Aesthetics
- Kennedy at HairQuaters
- Brow Envy by Simone
- Bronzing Beauty
- Ferryhill Fruit and Veg
- Evans Solicitors
- Woofs & Scruffs
- Toshach Cafe
- Broom Fish Bar
- H. Taylors & Sons LTD
- Tommers Tackle & Supplies

***We would like to thank everyone for donating and for purchasing tickets for this fantastic raffle***

**For further information please check out FS Careers & PD on Facebook, the school newsletter or contact Miss Hanson at: [cha@ferryhill.school](mailto:cha@ferryhill.school)**