



FBEC STUDENT NEWSLETTER

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF FERRYHILL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE COLLEGE

INTEGRITY

CREATIVITY

EXCELLENCE



Sporting Success

This week, four of our Sport Leaders played a vital role in officiating Go Well's Girls Football Cup and Shield Tournament at Newton Aycliffe Rugby Club. Seven teams took part in both the Shield and Cup, where some excellent football was played.

Our leaders showed great resilience and displayed fantastic decision making skills in high pressure situations. A big congratulations Cup winners Sedgefield and Shield winners Dean Bank, and a huge congratulations to our four fabulous leaders, well done!



IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING BUS PASSES



Bus passes must be shown to the bus driver both on the way to school and when boarding the bus for the return journey. If a student forgets or loses their bus pass, they must go to the Student Support office to obtain a temporary bus pass between 8 – 8.30am, break time and lunchtime only. Please do not wait until the school day has finished as they will not be issued then and if you have no bus pass to get home the bus driver may refuse you to be able to travel.

Queens Jubilee Raffle Prize Winners!

**1st Prize - £15.00 Love2Shop Vouchers
Grace Graham**

**2nd Prize - £10.00 Google Play Gift
Card
Bradley Robinson**

**3rd Prize - £5.00 Amazon Gift Card
Renata Weqrzynek**



SCHOOL PROM

Message for Parents

In order for us to confirm final numbers with the venue please could the full payment of £30 be paid via ParentPay before 31st May.

If payment is not received by this date we can not guarantee a place at the prom.

If for any reason you are unable to make payment before the date, please do not hesitate to contact school on (01740) 651554.



Internet Safety Tip

Cyberfriends are strangers! Never agree to get together with someone you meet online. Make sure to tell your parents, teacher or trusted adult, if someone asks you to meet.

Late Buses Priority of Students

For students who access our late buses please be aware of priority of student access to these buses: All Y11s then Y7s, then Y8s, then Y9s, then Y10s who have bus passes; then Y7s, then Y8s, then Y9s, then Y10s who don't have bus passes. When the Ferryhill/Chilton late bus is full it will no longer stop at the Market Place and Manor Farm stops. Students who usually get off at these stops will be asked to walk home in these circumstances.

'Keep in the Know'



Our student leaders braved the rain recently to join officers from Ferryhill Police Station, community leaders, and primary school students to give out leaflets in Ferryhill marketplace. These gave details about the police's website "Keep in the Know". This is a free messaging service brought to you by Durham Constabulary where you decide when and how you are kept informed about the issues that matter to you. Members of the public can keep themselves informed about antisocial behaviour where they live, and how they can help the police to solve crimes. We also gave out free fluorescent pens to mark possessions with your postcode, so the police can return any stolen property to you. A big thanks to the managers of B&M and the Co-op who allowed us to give out the leaflets indoors, since the rain was lashing down.

Book of the Week!

The World's Worst Pets by David Walliams



Millions of readers have loved The World's Worst Children, The World's Worst Teachers and The World's Worst Parents – now it's the turn of the World's Worst Pets!!

These ten tales of the world's craziest creatures will have you shaking with laughter. You'll never look at pets in the same way again!

Marvel at Houdini, the magician's rabbit. Take a trip around the world with Zoom, the supersonic tortoise. Gasp at the chaos created by Griselda, a grizzly bear with a big secret. And RUN FOR YOUR LIVES! It's Furp the monstrous goldfish! Good pets, bad pets, supervillain pets, pets as big as a house and pets that could eat you in one gulp – these are the most hilarious and horrendous animals around.

Stop by Room 14 to pick up a copy!

After School Clubs

Homework Club

The club is held on Mondays and Wednesdays in room 36.

Board Games/Lego Club

Miss Corner is running a board game/Lego club in room 12 on a Monday 2:30-3:30.

After School History Club

Students from Year 7 and 8 are invited to our history club which runs every Thursday in room 35.



Drama Club

Running every Wednesday 2:30-3:30 in the Main Hall



Steam Club

For students in Year 7, 8 and 9 STEAM Club started Wednesday 19th of January and runs once a fortnight. We will be doing different Science investigations looking at different topics such as chromatography and forces. If interested please speak to Mrs Porritt (room 48).

Choir

Running every Thursday 2:30 - 3:30 in the Main Hall

Pride Club

Pride Club is open to students from all year groups and has now moved to lunchtime drop in sessions on a Tuesday Week A (room 18)

After School Reading Club

All students are invited to our Reading Club which runs on a Thursday after school in room 14. Each term we will explore a new book and share our thoughts and opinions on the book, the characters and more. It's a great way to share our love of reading and also for students to make new friends. We look forward to seeing you there,
Miss Gibbs

EXTRA CURRICULAR PE

Our PE department are pleased to announce the return of their extracurricular clubs. Please see below information on the various clubs running, these are open to all within the specified year groups.

Monday - Table Tennis - All Year groups
Netball - All Year groups

Wednesday - Dodgeball - All Year groups

Thursday - Football - All Year groups

MESSAGE FROM MR PINKNEY



Another very busy half term at FBEC. Ironically, this is the last time I will probably use the old name as we prepare to become Ferryhill School from September 2022. I am sure you will agree that our new badge and tie look very smart and will, along with the new logo and signage for the school, give us a very clear and focussed image for the new academic year.

We are also updating and changing the physical structure of the school. Over the next few months we will be completely rebuilding the offices and reception, building new classrooms, toilets and decorating and upgrading classrooms. Many of the changes are a result of the increasing numbers of children we are attracting to FBEC. Next year we will have over 850 students in school, almost double the numbers 10 years ago.

We are currently in the middle of the first GCSE exams since 2019. The exam period this time is slightly longer and we still have three weeks of exams after the half term. I would like to thank all the Y11 students and their parents for all their support over the past few weeks. We are all very proud of the work and effort the students have put in and their conduct during the exam period. As a little reward, today, the students will be having Domino's pizza and a visit from the ice cream van to thank them for their efforts.

A big thanks to Mrs Picard and her team for the organisation and management of the exams (and the ordering of the ice cream). Mrs Clarke who has been our examinations officer for many years is retiring this year. A big thank you to her for her dedicated work over the years – exam results day will not be the same without her.

Also leaving us this year is Alan Ankers, a very valuable member of the premises team who leaves us after 14 years. Alan had a lovely send off by all the staff yesterday and we wish him and his wife a lovely retirement

On a negative note we continue to see some of our students causing problems of anti-social behaviour in our villages. We are very active in working with the police, the local council and Durham County Council to support initiatives to reduce the impact of this. Some of the students involved have already been permanently excluded from the school. As a school we want our young people to be proud of their school and the community. 99% of our students are supportive of this, however those who do not support behaviour in school should expect consequences. This will include permanent exclusion.

Next half term FBEC is going global as we prepare to go on visits to Canada, The Seychelles and France. The trips which are funded through a bid successfully applied for by Mrs Johnson will see our students experiencing the culture and education of those countries. Thanks to Mr Handley and Mrs Johnson for their organisation of the visits.

Finally, I would like to wish all our students a very pleasant and relaxing holiday. I hope you all enjoy the Jubilee celebrations next week.