

As we conclude a successful Spring term, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks for your unwavering support and dedication to our school community. Your involvement has been instrumental in making this term a remarkable one. We are now approaching a crucial period for our Year 11 students as they prepare for their upcoming GCSEs. Your encouragement and support during this time are invaluable, and we are confident that our students will excel with your continued backing. This term, our Year 9 students had a fantastic curriculum experience day at Beamish, where they immersed themselves in the rich history and culture of the North-East. Similarly, our Year 7 students enjoyed an educational trip to the Roman Army Museum and Vindolanda Fort. Huge thank you to Ms Anderson for her work on this. Our Year 10 students have also been busy with their work experience placements, gaining practical skills and knowledge that will serve them well in their future careers. We are proud of their achievements and the positive feedback received from various employers. I would like to extend a special thank you to our PTA and all parents and carers for their incredible fundraising efforts. Your contributions have greatly enhanced the resources and opportunities available to our students, and we are deeply grateful for your generosity. Thank you once again for your ongoing support. Together, we are creating a nurturing and enriching environment for our students to thrive.

Enjoy your Easter break together, Mr. Dryden



### **Curriculum Experience Day Beamish**

We are thrilled to share that our recent Year 9 Curriculum Experience Day to Beamish Museum was a resounding success! Our students had a fantastic time immersing themselves in the rich history and vibrant life of the 1900s and beyond. From exploring the charming 1900s town to experiencing the bustling 1940s farm, our pupils were able to step back in time and gain a deeper understanding of life through the decades.



## Year 10 Work Experience

From April 7th to 11th, our Year 10 students embarked on an exciting journey into the world of work, participating in a highly successful work experience week. This initiative provided students with invaluable insights into various professions, helping them understand the dynamics of different workplaces and the skills required to thrive in them. Thank you to the hard work and organisational skills of Ms Begum and Ms Vasey.



### GCSE Theatre Trip: An Inspector Calls Our GCSE English students were incredible ambassadors for the school on this trip on Thursday. One lady stopped Mrs Bell to share her views, "It's refreshing to see teenagers at the theatre. My husband and I sat amongst your pupils, and they were great to talk to. Well done!" Thank you to Ms Cadwallender and Mrs Reay for organising a memorable afternoon.

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# **Dates For The Diary**

Monday 28th April, return to school, Summer 1 Term Begins Thursday 8th May 2025, Y10 Parents' Evening and GCSE Exam Support

email lisa.kelly@northernleaderstrust.org for further information **Thursday 12th May 2025,** Y6 Information Evening email chloe.anderson@northernleaderstrust.org for further information

19-23rd May 2025, Year 9 Work Experience Week email ruby.begum@northernleaderstrust.org for further information Thursday & Friday 22-23rd May 2025, Year 8 Curriculum Experience Day: The Sill, email chloe.anderson@northernleaderstrust.org for further information

Friday 23rd May 2025, break up for May half-term at 3pm





**Work Experience continued...** Throughout the week, students had the opportunity to engage with several local businesses and organizations, each offering a unique glimpse into their operations. Among the generous supporters were Ouseburn Farm, Little Bears Childcare, Thomas Bewick School, Holts Yard, and Gosforth Swimming Pool. These establishments opened their doors to our students, providing hands-on experiences and mentorship that will undoubtedly shape their future career choices.

The feedback from students has been overwhelmingly positive. Many expressed their excitement about learning new skills, understanding workplace etiquette, and gaining a clearer perspective on their career aspirations. The experience has not only broadened their horizons but also instilled a sense of confidence and motivation to pursue their goals.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the businesses and organisations that supported this initiative.

Together, we have made a significant impact on our students' educational journey, equipping them with the knowledge and experience to succeed in their future endeavours.

Here's to many more successful work experience weeks ahead! Year 9 next 😁

# **PTA Fundraising**

Our PTA have organised an Easter raffle this half-term and wish to thank you for your support with this. They have started to consider their next fundraising plans for the Summer Term. None of this could be possible without the support of our wonderful parents and carers- you! If our PTA sounds like something you would be interested in supporting, please get in touch with Mrs Bell: laura.bell@northerneladerstrust.org







## Year 7 Year Leader Update

In Mr Mackay's absence, Mr Bouleau will take over as the Year 7 Year Leader for the Summer Term. Mr Bouleau has been a Year Leader for 17- years and has been promoted since joining Studio West to Senior Year Leader. His current Year 11s have almost flown the nest and will return to school to start their GCSEs in the Summer Term, which has prompted him to take over Year 7. As a father of two, his dedication to the success of his year group is unwavering. Year 7 will be in good hands!

