



Hetton School

Respect. Learn. Achieve.

School Newsletter
3rd May 2019

Welcome to our regular newsletter.

Message from the Headteacher

On Saturday 26th April, Hetton School took part in the statue unveiling in Hetton, this was erected to commemorate the community's colliery past. The statue was designed and sculptured by Ray Lonsdale, a former pupil of Hetton School and is displayed on Front Street in Hetton. Hetton School was the only secondary school involved on the day and our students did us extremely proud by reading out the names of young miners who died many years ago. Paul Lawson, a prefect at our school also read out a poem by Ray Lonsdale, called 'Da said Men don't cry.

As a school we also paid for a time capsule, which has been buried in front of the statue and will be opened again in 2069. In the time capsule, we placed a tie, school badge, a Sunderland Echo, a Hetton Headlines magazine and other items significant to our school.

It was a wonderful day and something we are very proud to have taken part in.



AOT Bronze Award

Hetton School has received the Autism Outreach Team , Bronze Award for the Autism Competency Framework. The Framework follows guidance for supporting young people with a diagnosis of autism which has been provided by the Autism Education Trust. The standards can be achieved in 3 levels - Bronze, Silver and Gold. The standards focus on a school's ability to support students with autism to build relationships; ensure that the curriculum is accessible to autistic students; ensure that the environment has a positive impact on autistic students and that school staff are aware of individual student needs.



Hetton School is now working with students, parents and staff towards the Silver Award, which hopefully we will secure in the near future.

Class Chart Champions

Well done to everyone entered into the draw for having the highest number of Wow points.

The winners were;

Kindle - Josh
Beats - Ethan
Bike - Michael



Donington Park

12 students from years 9 and 10 were given the opportunity to go to Donington Park Race track to watch the touring car races. We set off early on Saturday morning and watched as Storm Hannah swept into the country the closer we got to Donington.

When we arrived it was positively freezing and raining but the resilience of our students meant they were still excited to go and stand and watch qualifying and some proper race action.

Camping on the Saturday night was certainly chilly but our students worked together to create cosy tents and warmed up with several pot noodles. An extremely competitive game of charades took place with much hilarity. Sunday was a full day of racing activity with an opportunity to go and speak with the racing drivers. Some of our students were shocked to meet racing drivers who were as young as 12 and displayed a real commitment to their sport.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 10th May

Y11 Celebration Day

Monday 13th May

Y11 GCSEs begin

Friday 24th May

Break for the Half Term Holiday





Improving Attendance



Year 7	7B1, 7N1
Year 8	8B2, 8L2
Year 9	ALL - WELL DONE
Year 10	10B1, 10B2, 10L1, 10L2
Year 11	11B2, 11L1, 11N1

Well done! Remember, everyday matters!!



What does that mean?



OUR TARGET IS
100%
ATTENDANCE

6 DAYS OF ABSENCE / 97% ATTENDANCE
30 LESSONS OF LOST LEARNING
ONLY 78.7% OF STUDENTS ACHIEVE 5+ GRADES OF 9-4

9 DAYS OF ABSENCE / 95% ATTENDANCE
45 LESSONS OF LOST LEARNING
ONLY 52.8% OF STUDENTS ACHIEVE 5+ GRADES OF 9-4

19 DAYS OF ABSENCE / 90% ATTENDANCE
95 LESSONS OF LOST LEARNING
ONLY 35.6% OF STUDENTS ACHIEVE 5+ GRADES OF 9-4

THERE ARE 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR
This is 48% of the year to spend as you wish e.g. on family time, visits, holidays, appointments, shopping and other household jobs.

