

NATIONAL COMPETITION WINNER

Our very own Aaliyah C. has won a National competition to attend the prestigious Yoto Carnegies award ceremony at The Barbican, London.

Aaliyah answered questions about the shortlisted books as well as copyright law to beat other contestants to the prize!



SENECA

Our new homework system has launched and it has been fantastic to see so many students logging on to Seneca and completing their assignments.

Mrs Brownless has conducted some student voice this week and the feedback from students has been overwhelmingly positive. Many of you commented on how easy it is to access, and said that you prefer it as you can complete assignments on your phones.

Well done NDA! Keep up this excellent attitude to independent study.

SENECA




Homework

Core Subjects -
set every week

Option Subjects
- fortnightly

Get the class code from
your teachers to join your
year group.

Rewards for Completion!

Retrieval Practice To
Boost Memory/ Critical Knowledge

LIBRARY NEWS

Spotlight on Carnegie

With winners due to be announced on 21st June, we will shine a light on two of the shortlisted titles a week before revealing the winner!



Cristian has lived his entire life in the grip of a repressive dictatorship.

The country is governed by fear. When the secret police blackmail him, Cristian has an impossible choice.

Save the life of his sick grandfather by informing on his family, or risk his life - and all of theirs - by resisting? At 17, Cristian dreams of being free but doesn't know where to turn.

In this climate of constant suspicion, can he trust his best friend, his girlfriend or even his family? Closely based on the real events of the Romanian Revolution of 1989, this is a powerful, heart-breaking thriller

Charlene is a demon knitter. It's the only thing she enjoys and the only thing she believes she's really good at. So when her foster mum's son destroys her latest creation, Charlene loses it and stabs him in the hand with her knitting needle.

It damages a nerve and she gets sucked into the criminal justice system for assault. Charlene's not sorry and she's never apologised to anyone in her life.

But people keep telling her that if she says sorry, they'll go easier on her.

Can she bring herself to say it and not mean it when her freedom's at stake?



BOOKS GALORE

60 students who demonstrate real engagement with reading will win a FREE book token to spend in a special bookshop on the 23rd June!

We will be celebrating a love of reading all week from 19th June, and lucky winners will get a one of a kind voucher entitling them to a book from the special bookshop.

Waterstones Gateshead will be bringing a specially curated bookshop into school on the afternoon of the 23rd so that the lucky 60 can spend their token on ANY book!

WATERSTONES REWARD TRIP

Students who demonstrate a love of reading will be invited to Waterstones Gateshead on Friday 14th July to select a book – any book – from the store. North Durham Academy will be gifting 29 lucky students with a visit to the Metro Centre bookshop to select their own book as a reward for all their hard work during the school year.



Upcoming Events

Day	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Monday	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light Careers Interview Durham Works project begins	English exam Statistics exam
Tuesday				Newcastle University Visit	Chemistry exam Spanish exam
Wednesday					Maths exam
Thursday	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	History exam
Friday					Physics exam Geography exam

English Language Podcast for Year 11 – this Sunday!

The last session before your language paper 2 exam

Make sure you join to catch Mrs Brownless' key information for how to answer the questions on this paper!



BOOK CLUB

NDA staff and parents had a great evening for their book club. They had read the book 'Their Finest Hour and a Half,' by Lissa Evans. There were mixed feelings about the book – but the book club members enjoyed the lemon cake, sharing of favourite authors, and a chance to discuss their passion of specific genres, much more! We are now reading 'Lessons in Chemistry,' and are very much looking forward to our next meeting!

