



## ENGLISH TRIPS

January 2024  
Week 16

We have a number of exciting trips taking place. Please see the details below:

Everybody's Talking About Jamie – Theatre Royal, Newcastle: 18th January 2024.  
Fully booked.

Newcastle University - Brilliant Club Graduation (8th February 2024): Our amazing Y9 and Y10 students have submitted their final essay on the topic of autism and social interaction. We will be celebrating their hard work and success at Newcastle University alongside Oxford University graduates. Well done to all of those involved! Please make sure consent forms are returned to Mr Short no later than Friday 19th January 2024.

Houses of Parliament Tour and Workshop - Debate Club students: 28th February 2024 - please can all consent forms be returned no later than Friday 26th January. Please speak to Mr Short if you have any questions.

Wizard of Oz – Theatre Royal, Newcastle: 18th April 2024. Open to all KS3 students. Please speak to your English teacher or Mr Short for more details.



# GIRLS GET SET



The GirlsGetSET scheme is aimed at girls aged 12 to 13 and consists of multiple Science, Engineering and Technology-related activities run over an academic year. This scheme is run by volunteers from sponsors GE Healthcare, GE Vernova and Baker Hughes.

The aim of GirlsGetSet is to inspire girls to consider the massive opportunities open to them if they consider a career in SET (Science, Engineering and Technology). Students are mentored through a hands-on project, dynamic group activities and career talks.

This academic year 11 girls (Year 9) and 8 girls (Year 8) from North Durham Academy are taking part in an exciting “Crude or Cool (Oil) Project”.

There are 4 more places just made available!

Interested to join the wonderful team (and also winners from last year)?

Please express your interest to join this exciting project and get a wonderful chance to compete with other schools in the U.K.!



# YEAR 11



## REVISION QUIZ

1. WHAT DOES THE WORD 'REVISION' ACTUALLY MEAN?

2. LIST AT LEAST TWO INEFFECTIVE REVISION STRATEGIES AND WHY THEY ARE INEFFECTIVE.

3. LIST AT LEAST TWO EFFECTIVE REVISION STRATEGIES AND WHY THEY ARE EFFECTIVE.

**Answers on the next page!**

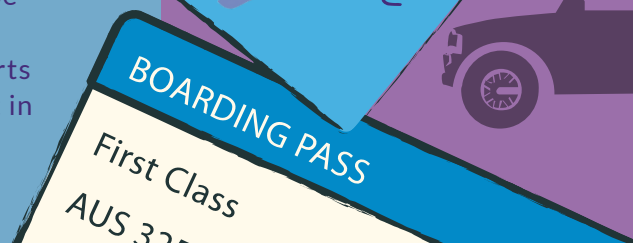
## Passport to Prom



**Monday 11th September 2023 -  
Monday 6th May 2024**

Criteria for admission to the Prom, students must:

- Attend an average of 3 GER after school revision sessions each week
- Have an attendance of 95% or above between the 11th September 2023 until Monday 6th May 2024, or have significantly improved attendance. Valid medical reasons for poor attendance will be discussed and admission to the prom will be at the discretion of the Year Team.
- Have a 90% positive merit ratio on Class Charts
- Demonstrate exemplary behaviour and effort in lessons and GER sessions.





Mrs Menear  
DSL

*Need someone  
to talk to?*

# BEING SAFE

What an amazing week we have had here at North Durham Academy. We have had several external visitors in school this week sharing vital information with students of North Durham Academy.

Every morning this week police have come into the academy to share awareness of Knife Crime, the law and the implications this can have on all parties involved including both the victims and perpetrators.

Whilst I am aware some pupils found this assembly very hard hitting, this is unfortunately a crime which is on the increase across the UK. So, it is vital we educate our students on this topic.

In addition to this school will now be running a drop-in service with a team of nurses. This will be available every Friday. Students are aware of how to book or drop in to see the nursing team. This confidential service is available to all year groups. Should you child not feel comfortable to request an appointment please email [d.menear@ndacademy.co.uk](mailto:d.menear@ndacademy.co.uk)



## Revision Quiz Answers

1.Revision means to look (vision) again (re).

2. Ineffective revision strategies include re-reading notes and highlighting as they are passive.

3. Effective revision strategies include retrieving learning from memory with activities like brain dumps, flashcards and quizzes.



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