



## THE DEBATE CLUB

March 2024  
Week 24

The Debate Club met Kevan Jones MP last week after their visit to Parliament. Students prepared their own thoughtful questions for Kevan to answer and I was extremely impressed with the quality of the questions! Students engaging in the Debate Club have demonstrated how important it is to talk about issues and be involved in what's happening around us. Well done to all!



# YEAR 11 UPDATES

A huge well done to all of our Year 11 students for all their effort put into their mock exams. At North Durham Academy we are continually looking for ways to help our Year 11 students for their final GCSE exams in the Summer Term. To do this we have arranged for Easter revision sessions as well as our Super Saturdays! We are putting on our very own bus service to collect students for our Super Saturdays if they need a lift to school! Get in touch with Mrs Graham if you would like to take advantage of this offer.

## SUPER SATURDAY

Lanchester - the bus stand outside of Ravellos - 8:40

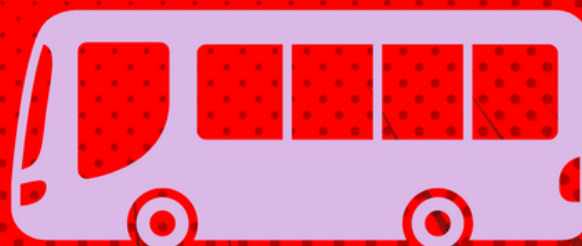
Harelaw - Bus stop - 8:50

Catchgate - Bus stop next to one stop 8:55

Pelton - Co op car park 9:15

Ouston - Beamish Tyres/Sams Pizza 9:20

If you would like to be picked up by our minibus to attend Super Saturday - get in touch with Mrs Graham!

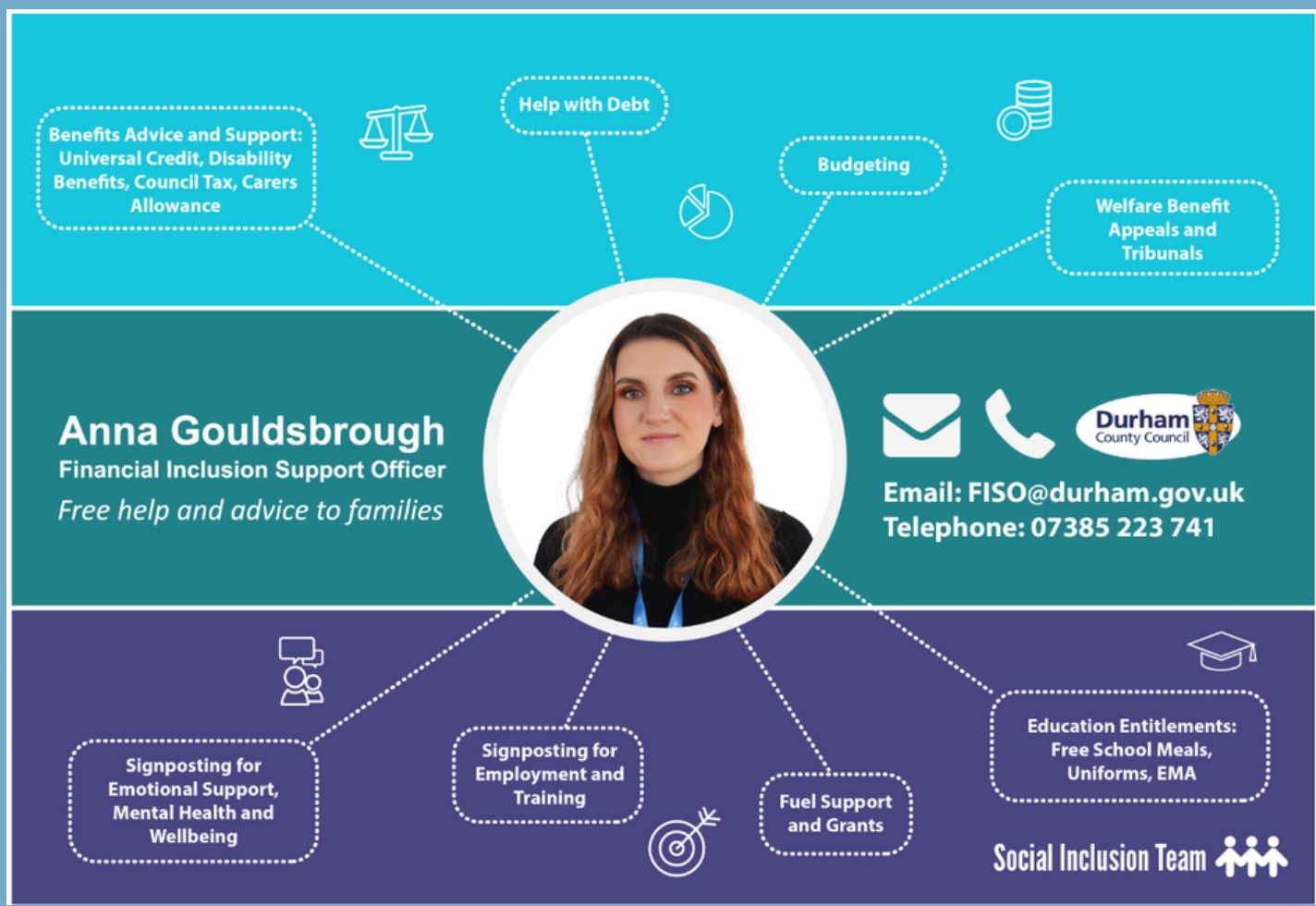




## Year 11 Half Term Revision Sessions

Time	Monday 8th April	Wednesday 10th April	Thursday 11th April	Friday 12th April
9:30am - 11:30am	Spanish - Ms Castro & Mr Arabacioglu	Science - Mr Dalton, Mr Mullen, Ms Wilkinson, Mr Wellburn & Dr Varanasi History - Mr Joy	English - Miss Perrin-Hudson Engineering - Mr Mokhtari DT - Mr Turnbull	Engineering - Mr Turnbull Geography - Miss Mayhew Computer Science - Mr Powley
12.30pm - 14:30pm	Spanish - Mr Arabacioglu	History - Mr Joy DIT - Ms Hodge & Miss Taylor	DT - Mr Turnbull	Maths Higher - Miss Khan Maths Foundation - Ms Cane

## OUR FISO IS HERE TO HELP



# ATTENDANCE

There is a strong link between good school attendance and achieving good results for students. If students frequently miss school they may fall behind in their work which may affect their future prospects.

If you or your child are struggling with attendance at school, we have our dedicated attendance team here to help you. Please get in touch with our team -

Y7, Y8, Y9 EWO Mrs McManners, [l.mcmanners@ndacademy.co.uk](mailto:l.mcmanners@ndacademy.co.uk)

Y10 EWO Mrs Hindle, [j.hindle@ndacademy.co.uk](mailto:j.hindle@ndacademy.co.uk)

Y11 EWO Mrs Wright, [g.wright@ndacademy.co.uk](mailto:g.wright@ndacademy.co.uk)

If you would like to discuss any particular attendance concerns or request support with attendance please get in touch with your relevant EWO.

Attendance Assistant Miss Hall [e.hall@ndacademy.co.uk](mailto:e.hall@ndacademy.co.uk)

Attendance Lead Ms Mitchell [k.mitchell@ncdat.org.uk](mailto:k.mitchell@ncdat.org.uk)



We know that parents and carers worry about their children's mental health. Rather than keeping your child off school, let us know about your concerns. We can then work together on supporting your child.

# ENERGY DRINKS

The evidence demonstrates that the consumption of energy drinks is detrimental to both the physical and mental wellbeing of young people. We have therefore decided to ban all energy drinks from our academy. Any energy drink that is seen will be removed and stored in student services until the end of the day. Please encourage your child to bring a refillable water bottle into the academy to use.



## WHY YOU NEED TO DRINK MORE WATER



helps maximise physical performance



significantly affects energy levels

significantly affects brain function

prevent and treat headaches

maintaining heart function

maintaining the immune system



Energy Drinks are not  
allowed on school  
premises



**Key Contacts at North Durham Academy**  
**Our phone lines are often busy with inbound calls.**  
**You can also use the following methods to contact key staff:**

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