



Consilium Evolve

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the end of another busy and rewarding term, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in your children's education. This term has been a particularly vibrant one, filled with enriching experiences and opportunities for our students to grow academically, emotionally, and socially.

The term began on an inspiring note with our whole-school trip to Waterstones in Sunderland city centre. This wonderful initiative allowed every student to select books to help populate our school library. It was heartwarming to witness the excitement on the students' faces as they chose titles that sparked their imaginations and curiosity, and it has already had a noticeable impact on our reading culture within school.

In February, families joined us for another one of our Community Days to celebrate 'Time to Talk' day. This time we welcomed Orli Health, an organisation founded in 2023 to address the need for earlier, more personalised mental health support for parents, children and schools. This was a lovely opportunity to come together as a community, share varied perspectives, experiences and learn some adaptable strategies to support mental health independently and collectively.

World Book Day on Thursday 6th March was another highlight of the term, as staff enthusiastically dressed up as characters from the works of Charles Dickens. From Miss Havisham to Ebenezer Scrooge, the school was alive with the spirit of Dickensian England. The students thoroughly enjoyed the activities, and it was a great opportunity to celebrate the power of literature together.

For our Year 11 students, this term has been particularly significant. They undertook their GCSE mock exams with great determination, demonstrating resilience and focus. Additionally, their trip to Beamish Museum in early April was not only an educational experience but also an opportunity to develop vital work experience skills during a dedicated day of skills workshops. The feedback from the museum staff was glowing, and we are incredibly proud of how our students conducted themselves.

This week, our Key Stage 3 students had the privilege of attending a Royal Shakespeare Company production of *The Tempest* at the Northern Stage during our Theatre Day, while our Year 10 and Year 11 students saw a performance of J.B. Priestley's *An Inspector Calls* at Sunderland Empire. These experiences have brought our curriculum to life, are sure to support conversation in the classroom and provide such a rich context for learning.

I am pleased to share some updates regarding our school's leadership. I have recently taken on the role of Director of Alternative Provision across the Trust. In this capacity, I will focus on developing innovative opportunities and tailored support for students across all our schools. Mrs. Taylor has accepted the role of Head of School and will oversee the day-to-day operations, ensuring our school continues to thrive. While my responsibilities have expanded, I will retain executive oversight of our school and remain deeply committed to its success.

As we look forward to the summer term, we are excited about the opportunities ahead. You will find a list of important dates for your diary on the following page. We would also like to invite you to follow our Facebook and/or Instagram pages where we share updates about topics being studied and activities that are taking place in school.

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child while the school is closed over the Easter holidays, you should contact Together for Children on 0191 520 5560.

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable Easter break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for another term of learning and discovery on **Monday 28th April**.

Yours faithfully,

Mr R. Bell
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Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 30 th April:	KS3/Y10 'We Are Crew' (WAC) day, Beamish Museum (please see separate letter)
Thursday 8 th May – Wednesday 18 th June:	GCSE Summer Series exams for our year 11 students
Wednesday 18 th June:	Year 11 leavers celebration
Tuesday 24 th June:	Social Enterprise Dragon's Den event, location tbc
Friday 4 th July:	Consilium Awards ceremony, Leeds
Tuesday 8 th July:	KS3/Y10 parent's afternoon
Tuesday 15 th July:	Evolve End of Year celebration event at Sunderland Museum and Winter Gardens
Monday 21 st July:	Whole school WAC day, Adventure Sunderland

