Consett Academy





Welcome to the start of the second half of the Autumn term. While the clocks have gone back an hour and the nights are drawing in, we have had a bright and cheerful start in the Academy, welcoming our students back after the holidays.

As we experience the start of colder weather, a reminder that free porridge is available to all students at morning break time – nothing better to keep you going on a cold morning! Do remind your children to wrap up while temperatures drop, their coats can be stored in their lockers.

The darker days have resulted in greater congestion and an increased demand on our car park. Can I please take this opportunity to respectfully remind all parents/carers that between 8.15 – 8.45 and 2.30 – 3.15 the Academy car park is only to be accessed by staff, contracted scholars vehicles and parents who have pre-arranged mobility arrangements. We all want to keep the children safe, and would like to thank you in working with us in keeping the car park clear at the start and end of the Academy day.

Our Consett Way Ambassadors have made an excellent start in their student leadership role giving the Academy corridors, breaks and lunchtimes a positive and supportive feel. They are certainly visible in their bespoke high-vis jackets. We have also congratulated our Consett Way weekly award students with Eva becoming our Consett Way Champion and Mason our Consett Way Hero



This week at Consett Academy



This week, four Year 12s have had the privilege of travelling to Auschwitz with the Holocaust Education Trust. They are taking part in their lessons from Auschwitz project that explores the universal lessons of the Holocaust and its relevance for today. We have no doubt that on their return that Alix, Flora, Charlotte and Leah will have had a meaningful experience that they can share with the rest of the Academy in assemblies.



Our Beyond 25 offer continues this halfterm, and one highly excited group is our performers who have been working on final rehearsals for **Into the Woods**. If you have been lucky enough to see the spectacular shows last year of Matilda and We Will Rock You, then you will know that we cannot wait for this next performance on Tuesday 8th November at 5.30pm.

Finally, as we end the week heading towards bonfire and firework night it has been fabulous to see students in English tackling the issue of firework safety in their lessons by creating informative safety leaflets for their peers. We wish you all a bright, sparkly and safe firework weekend.