

This week at

Consett Academy



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With just two weeks of the Autumn term left, it's beginning to feel a bit like Christmas in the Academy. Our Academy Christmas tree has been decorated by our Year 10 Citizenship students. The twinkling lights, alongside the silver and blue baubles, is a welcoming sight on these foggy days. Last night, the festive sounds of Christmas carols and songs - from the brass and wind instruments of the Durham Music Service - filled the atrium. It was lovely to have students from Consett Academy playing alongside our local primary school pupils.

Continuing our musical theme, we have had students from Years 7-13 perform in the 1950s 'Welfare Hall' as part of Durham Music Service's Christmas Celebrations. The festive music programme brought together students from Consett Academy, as well as Shotley Bridge and Castleside primary schools. They listened to choirs with their favourite numbers being 'The Lights Will Lead Me Home' and 'Feliz Navidad'. "The orchestra, string group and wind band students were wonderful - it was an absolute pleasure to be in the audience!" Mrs Dodd (Head of Music) Our performers rose to the occasion and were marvellous musicians. From 'Fairytale of New York' to 'Winter Wonderland', we jingled all the way!!!



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Our Year 8 students have been working on the theme of Gothic literature in their English lessons. Some students have described the Consett weather conditions as inspiration for the pathetic fallacy being used to create atmosphere in their Gothic tales! Students have also been creative in designing their own movie posters to illustrate their Gothic narratives - we think that they look fabulous!

We have had some wonderful events taking place this week, with students from Star Club visiting Kielder Observatory; they were lucky enough to see Jupiter and the moon up close. The students also got to look at meteorites originating from Mars and even got the opportunity to touch pieces of the planet.



Finally, we have the performances of Beauty and the Beast next week. Good luck to all the performers, backstage crew and the staff that have been involved in preparing for this production. We look forward to bringing you a review next week.