

Consett Academy

Multi-Faith & Wellbeing

Vaisakhi is a spring festival in the Sikh religion. In 2024, Vaisakhi took place on Saturday 13th April. It was originally a harvest festival in the Punjab until it became the most important festival in Sikhi. It celebrates the founding of the Khalsa – the Sikh community in 1699 – many Sikhs take part in Amrit Sankar on this day – becoming full members of the Khalsa and start to wear the 5 K's. Sikh communities around the world celebrate Vaisakhi with processions, traditional music, martial arts and worship in the gurdwara. The langhar (meal) is prepared and shared with all people, whether Sikh or not. This is part of sewa (selfless service) which is an important part of Sikh belief and practice.

On Thursday 18th April our wonderful kitchen team prepared a langhar – a free vegetarian curry, as a lunchtime option. (Or taster pot for those who just fancied a taste!). In the spirit of the langhar – this meal was free and all students and staff were invited to take part.

Happy Vaisakhi!!



NEXT STEPS

The Year 11 team and Senior Leaders welcomed Year 11 parents and students to an event on Monday where we discussed the next steps towards the exams. Mr White talked through how the Academy was support students in the run up to the exams and Mrs Yates showed parents how they could support students at home.

Our students are working incredibly hard to prepare for their upcoming exams and are showing an extremely positive attitude towards their studies- we know that this can be a stressful time and we are here for any support students or parents may need.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank parents for all the hard work they are doing to support students- in the wise words of Mr Hopper, "We've got this!"

Next steps guide STEM NEWS

This week at STEM science club we delved into the world of animal conservation. Our STEM club enthusiasts became mini animal conservationists by researching endangered species to see how we can save them from extinction. Each pupil has picked an endangered animal, researched why they are endangered and will (in due course) create a product or mechanism that will reduce the chances of that population declining. Stay tuned to find out more!

STEM science club is on every Tuesday, from 3-4pm, in G.96





Ani C participated in a competition with her Tumbling Club, after an amazing performance and she received a silver in the Inter Regional Qualifiers. This is a reflection of the hard work and practice which Ani as put in. She will be off to Birmingham to compete in July for the inter regionals finals **#** and we wish her good luck.

We know our students are super talented- if you would like to share any achievements outside school please email Mrs Yates (j.yates@ncdat.org.uk) and she will share these in our newsletter.





LIBRARY NEWS



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Mr Middleton's Best Effort Award

Sonja D High amount of effort to persevere and achieve success.



Mr Stevenson's Most Improved Award

Lucas B

Improved 1st week back after half term with a behaviour ratio of 92.7%



Miss Yates' Praise Award

Joshua B

An amazing week - he was awarded 13 Golden Moments for outstanding work!



Miss Pye's Award Beyond25 Student of the week

Jasmine F

Ongoing commitment and dedication to Beyond25 Activities



Mr Hall's Respectful Award

Elle J

Had noticed a younger student sitting alone at lunch and invited them to sit with their Year 11 group.



Mr Aldridge's Ambition Award Tiernan D

For always giving 100% and having a desire to want to do well.

SEND Superstar Sebastian J

Sebastian has had a great start to half-term engaging in his learning and trying his hardest in assessments. We are all so proud of his work ethic and achievement. Well done you superstar!

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