



FAMILY NEWS WEEKLY UPDATE

Exceptional



SCHOOL/STUDENT COMMUNICATION
HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

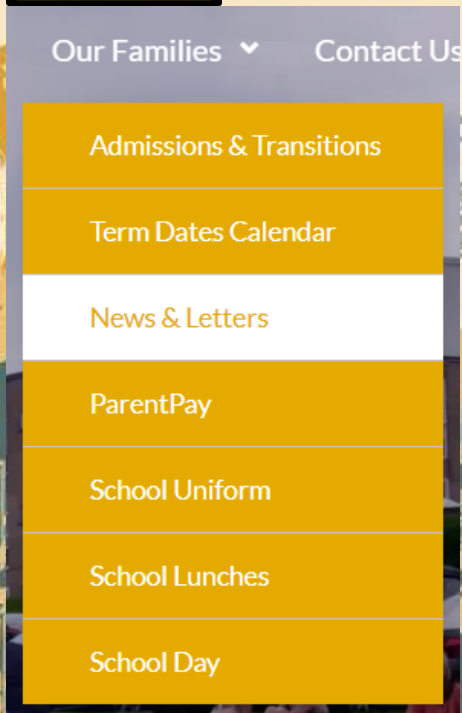


MESSAGES

HOME



Families should regularly visit our website on the link above.



NEWSOME FAMILY UPDATE

Dear Families

Thank you for your support during the challenging first week. Should there ever be weather severe enough to affect the running of the school, the following communication channels are followed.

- Always check our homepage banner to see a live status.
- If you follow us on 'X', this is updated with regular updates.
- We update [Kirklees School Closures](#) with our status.
- A text and email are sent to families – note that this is dependent on whether you are keeping your details updated.

Please make sure that we have your most current address and contact numbers. It is the responsibility of parents/carers to have this live at all times.

Making the decision to stay open or stay closed is never a popular decision but we thank all those families who have been both supportive and positive in their communication with us.

We very much look forward to a proper start to this half term.

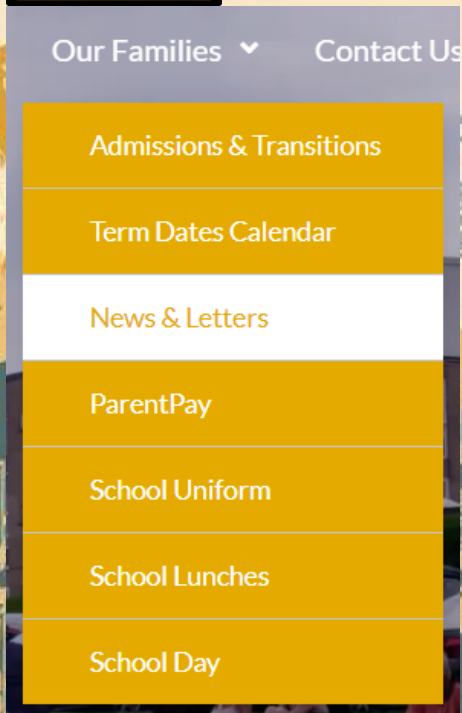


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NEWSOME FAMILY UPDATE

From this term, we have introduced a new system to replace SIMS. This is called BromCom. Not only will Teachers take their register with this, it is the main system we hold all our data.

For the next couple of weeks, we won't be able to text/email as we previously done, until we have the features fully set up to do this on our new system.

In the next couple of weeks, we will be asking ALL families to download the 'My child at school App' as the main form of communication. Your child can also download their own student version.

More information and guidance will follow on setting this up.

In the meantime, if your personal details have changed and/or you think you are not enjoying our (very) regular communication, please contact the Academy immediately to check your details are correct.



CALENDAR

5 WEEKS

UNTIL

NEXT

BREAK

2025						
January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1 We <small>New Year's Day</small>	1 Sa	1 Sa			1 Su	1 Tu
2 Th	2 Su	2 Su			2 Mo	2 We
3 Fr	3 Mo	3 Mo			3 Tu	3 Th
4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Tu			4 We	4 Fr
5 Su	5 We	5 We			5 Th	5 Sa
6 Mo	6 Th	6 Th			6 Fr	6 Su
7 Tu	7 Fr	7 Fr			7 Sa	7 Su
8 We	8 Sa	8 Sa			8 Tu	8 Th
9 Th	9 Su	9 Su			9 Fr	9 Mo
10 Fr	10 Mo	10 Mo			10 Sa	10 Su
11 Sa	11 Tu	11 Tu			11 Tu	11 Th
12 Su	12 We	12 We			12 Th	12 Sa
13 Mo	13 Th	13 Th			13 Fr	13 Su
14 Tu	14 Fr	14 Fr			14 Sa	14 Su
15 We	15 Sa	15 Sa			15 Su	15 Tu
16 Th	16 Su	16 Su			16 Mo	16 Tu
17 Fr	17 Mo	17 Mo			17 Tu	17 Th
18 Sa	18 Tu	18 Tu			17 Sa <small>Good Friday</small>	18 We
19 Su	19 We	19 We			19 Mo	19 Th
20 Mo	20 Th	20 Th			20 Tu	20 Fr
21 Tu	21 Fr	21 Fr			21 Sa	21 Mo <small>30</small>
22 We	22 Sa	22 Sa			22 Su	22 Tu
23 Th	23 Su	23 Su			23 Mo	23 We
24 Fr	24 Mo	24 Mo			24 Tu	24 Th
25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Tu			25 We	25 Fr
26 Su	26 We	26 We			26 Th	26 Sa
27 Mo	27 Th	27 Th			26 Mo <small>Spring Bk. Hol.</small>	27 Su
28 Tu	28 Fr	28 Fr			27 Fr	28 Mo <small>31</small>
29 We		29 Sa			28 Sa	29 Tu
30 Th		30 Su			29 Su	30 We
31 Fr		31 Mo			30 Mo	31 Th

Y11 MOCK EXAMS

Y11 REAL EXAMS

Y7-10 YEAR END EXAMS

WE ARE HERE

GCSEs START 12TH MAY
GCSE results day in 2025 is Thursday, August 21 when you collect your results

HALF-TERM EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION

Facilitate your child's memory development by:

- Looking through our [Curriculum Plans](#) to see the bigger picture.
- Going through the [Study Support Pack](#) with you.
- Going through the [Knowledge Organisers](#) and testing your knowledge



SCHOOL/STUDENT COMMUNICATION
HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

WEEK 1 – WEEK STARTING 6TH JANUARY

- EXCEPTIONAL ROUTINES & EXCEPTIONAL PROGRESS UNDERSTANDING

MONDAY	INSET DAY – CLOSED TO STUDENTS STAFF WILL BE INTRODUCING A NEW PACKAGE TO MONITOR STUDENTS
TUESDAY	WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: WE ARE NEWSOME (DW/SB/SM/CH) (LM SPOTLIGHTING Y11) SEMINAR GOING THROUGH P1 FOR YEARS 7-10
WEDNESDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
THURSDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
FRIDAY	ROUTINE CHECK

CLASSROOM ASPIRATION
HOW WELL ARE WE UNDERSTANDING OUR EXPECTATIONS (CERT/HTA)?
HOW WELL DO WE ALL HOLD ACCOUNT FOR ATTENDANCE?

WEEK 2 – WEEK STARTING 13TH JANUARY

- EXCEPTIONAL SEATING PLANS FOR DYNAMICS & GROUPING

MONDAY	WHOLE-SCHOOL SEMINAR: YOUR FUTURE (LM)
TUESDAY	SPIN EVENT Y7/8 SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS 4:00-5:45
WEDNESDAY	ROUTINE CHECK Y11 MOCK INTERVIEWS
THURSDAY	Y11 MOCK INTERVIEWS
FRIDAY	Y11 MOCK INTERVIEWS SPIN EVENT – KS3/4 NEW AGE KURLING 9:45-11:15



CLASSROOM ASPIRATION
DO WE ALL FOLLOW OUR ROUTINE?

WEEK 3 – WEEK STARTING 20TH JANUARY

- EXCEPTIONAL SEND AWARENESS & ADDITIONAL ADULTS

MONDAY	WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: SAFEGUARDING (AH) Y11 FOOD/COOKERY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS
TUESDAY	YEAR 9 PROGRESS & OPTIONS EVENING Y11 FOOD/COOKERY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS
WEDNESDAY	Y11 FOOD/COOKERY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS ROUTINE CHECK
THURSDAY	Y11 FOOD/COOKERY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS
FRIDAY	Y11 FOOD/COOKERY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS

SEND AWARENESS CHECK
DO WE ALL KNOW OURSELVES & EACH OTHER?

WEEK 4 – WEEK STARTING 27TH JANUARY

- EXCEPTIONAL TEACHING

MONDAY	WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: HOLOCAUST (CH) SPIN YOUTH LEADERSHIP DAY
TUESDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
WEDNESDAY	CHINESE NEW YEAR SPIN Y6 AIM ACADEMY 4:00-5:30
THURSDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
FRIDAY	SPIN EVENT – KS3/4 NEW AGE KURLING 9:45-11:15

ADAPTIVE TEACHING
Do we know our 'micropopulations'?

WEEK 5 – WEEK STARTING 3RD FEBRUARY

- EXCEPTIONAL PRIDE IN BOOKS

MONDAY	WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: ASPIRATION (SBE)
TUESDAY	YEAR 10 PROGRESS EVENING SAMBA DAY (MUSIKA) 10:00 – 2:00
WEDNESDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
THURSDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
FRIDAY	Y11 GREENHEAD INTERVIEWS

LEARNING WALKS
HOW MUCH PRIDE DO STUDENTS HAVE IN THEIR WORK?

WEEK 6 – WEEK STARTING 10TH FEBRUARY

MONDAY	WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: CAREERS (KST)
TUESDAY	SAFER INTERNET DAY
WEDNESDAY	ROUTINE CHECK
THURSDAY	QUALITY OF STUDENT WORK HT3
FRIDAY	QUALITY OF STUDENT WORK HT3

HARD WORKS PAYS OFF!
MOCK EXAM PREPARATION
END OF TERM ASSESSMENTS & GROUPINGS
OPTIONS DISCUSSIONS

FEBRUARY HALF-TERM BREAK (1 WEEK)

- ARE CHILDREN WORKING FROM HOME (KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS)?
- ARE YEAR 11 FOLLOWING THEIR STUDY PACKS & GUIDES?
- ARE FAMILIES SUPPORTING EDUCATION AT HOME?



WE OFFER A RANGE OF CLUBS FOR FUN AND LEARNING THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF...




EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

3PM-4PM

Extra-Curricular Activities: Spring Term 1 24/25 (3-4pm)					
DAY	CLUB	LOCATION	STAFF	P6 Wk A	P6 Wk B
MONDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Netball - Y7 – 10 2. Homework Club 3. Cooking Club 4. Fitness 5. Algebra L3 Drop In – yr10 invite only 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sportshall/Astro 2. 608 3. 602 4. Fitness suite 5. 407 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HRA/MHO 2. DTU 3. GCO 4. GEA/JDA 5. MAS 	MFL BUSINESS	HISTORY GEOGRAPHY
TUESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wheelchair Basketball – Invite only 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sports hall 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SCU 	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
WEDNESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homework Club 2. Girls Football 3. Choir 4. Cricket Nets 5. BSL Club 6. Computing Club 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 608 2. Astro 3. 402 4. Sports hall 5. 803 6. 608 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DTU 2. External/HHI 3. ECO 4. JDA 5. DCR 6. OMO 	MATHS	MATHS
THURSDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GCSE Art – KS4 only 2. Homework Club 3. Basketball all years 4. Music Club 5. Cheerleading 6. Sparx Club 7. Photography Support Yr 10 ONLY 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 609 2. 60 3. Sports hall 4. 402 5. Dance Studio 6. 406 7. 601 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LSN 2. NMA 3. JDA 4. AMC 5. SMT 6. EBU 7. AME 	SCIENCE	SCIENCE
FRIDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creative Club- RM, Textiles, Art 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 607 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AME/LMA 	OPTION C	OPTION B





Independent learning will be set as per the timetable below for each year group to ensure it is spread out across the week. Failure to complete homework to an acceptable standard will be recorded on ClassCharts.


	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7*	7NEW MFL	English	Science	Maths	7SOM MFL
Year 8*	8NEW MFL	8SOM MFL	Maths	English	Science
Year 9*	MFL	Science	English		Maths
Year 10	English Option C	Maths	MFL Option D	Science	Hums
Year 11	Maths	MFL Option D	English	Hums Option C	Science

- Due to A/B Week timetables, classes in Years 7-9 will receive Hums and VTC homework at different times each week.



HOMEWORK CALENDAR





Here is a reminder of the resources that are on offer to you whilst learning at home. Students are lucky enough to get above and beyond that of most schools and it's important these are taken advantage of for success.

KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7,8,9)

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

This is broken down per each half term and contain content and questions to work from home on.

HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

This supports time management at home and a guide for Teachers so work issuing is not given all in one go.

KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10& 11)

EXAM BOARD LIST

The list on the previous page offers guidance of the vast range of online resources such as past papers etc. This should be used as a guide.

REVISION GUIDES

ALL students have/will been given **FREE** guides which they should have at home. There's no excuses for loss

WIDER SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE LINKS | WELLBEING APPS | INDEPENDANT STUDY GUIDES



HOME LEARNING





**Newsome
Academy**



Attendance Matters		
100%	0 DAYS	0 LESSONS MISSED
99%	1 DAY	5 LESSONS MISSED
98%	3 DAYS	15 LESSONS MISSED
97%	1 WEEK	25 LESSONS MISSED
96%	1.5 WEEKS	35 LESSONS MISSED
94%	2 WEEKS	50 LESSONS MISSED
93%	2.5 WEEKS	65 LESSONS MISSED
92%	3 WEEKS	75 LESSONS MISSED
90%	3.5 WEEKS	90 LESSONS MISSED

Current Whole school = 94%

WEEKLY WINNERS!!!!

Year 7 - CRI/LWH/JHA

Year 8 - MAS/EBU

Year 9- SJO/IPA

Year 10- GEA

Year 11- BOA/BWE

BEST Year group = Year 7 - 97.5%



THIS WEEK'S SEMINAR



Your Future

YOUR FUTURE



Which well-known phrase does the image below depict?



YOUR FUTURE



What does it mean?

the world is your
oyster



YOUR FUTURE



What does it mean?

the world is your
oyster

(you have the opportunity
to do anything you want.)



YOUR FUTURE



What is YOUR why?



- **What do you want your future to look like?**
- **What motivates you?**
 - **Making your family proud**
 - **Securing your dream job**
 - **Being financially secure**
 - **Making others happy**

YOUR FUTURE



VISUALISE

- **Imagine Results Day in August 202? (Year 7 in 2029)**
- **You open your envelope – how do you want to feel?**



YOUR FUTURE

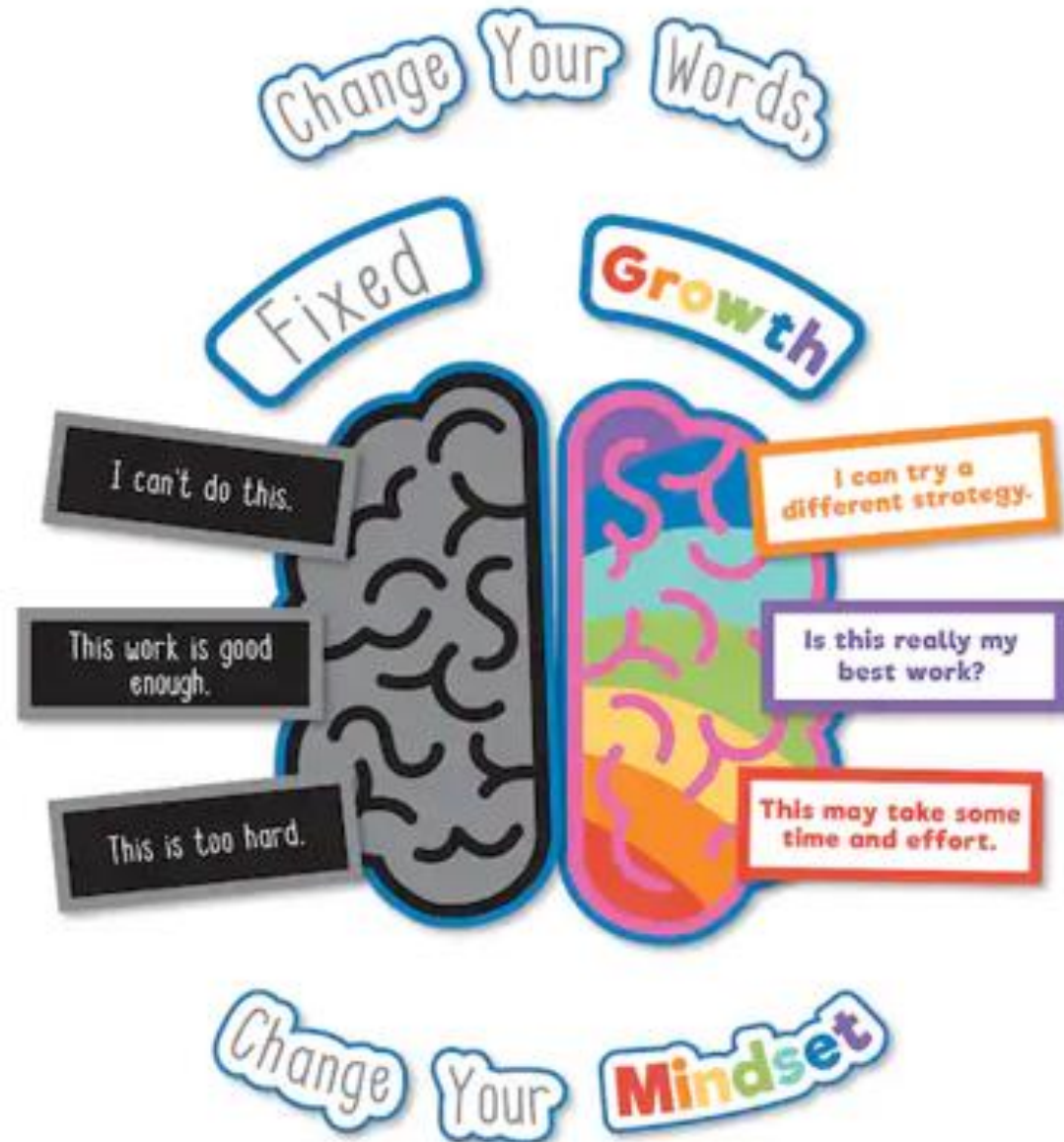


RITA: A is for Aspiration



YOUR FUTURE GROWTH MINDSET

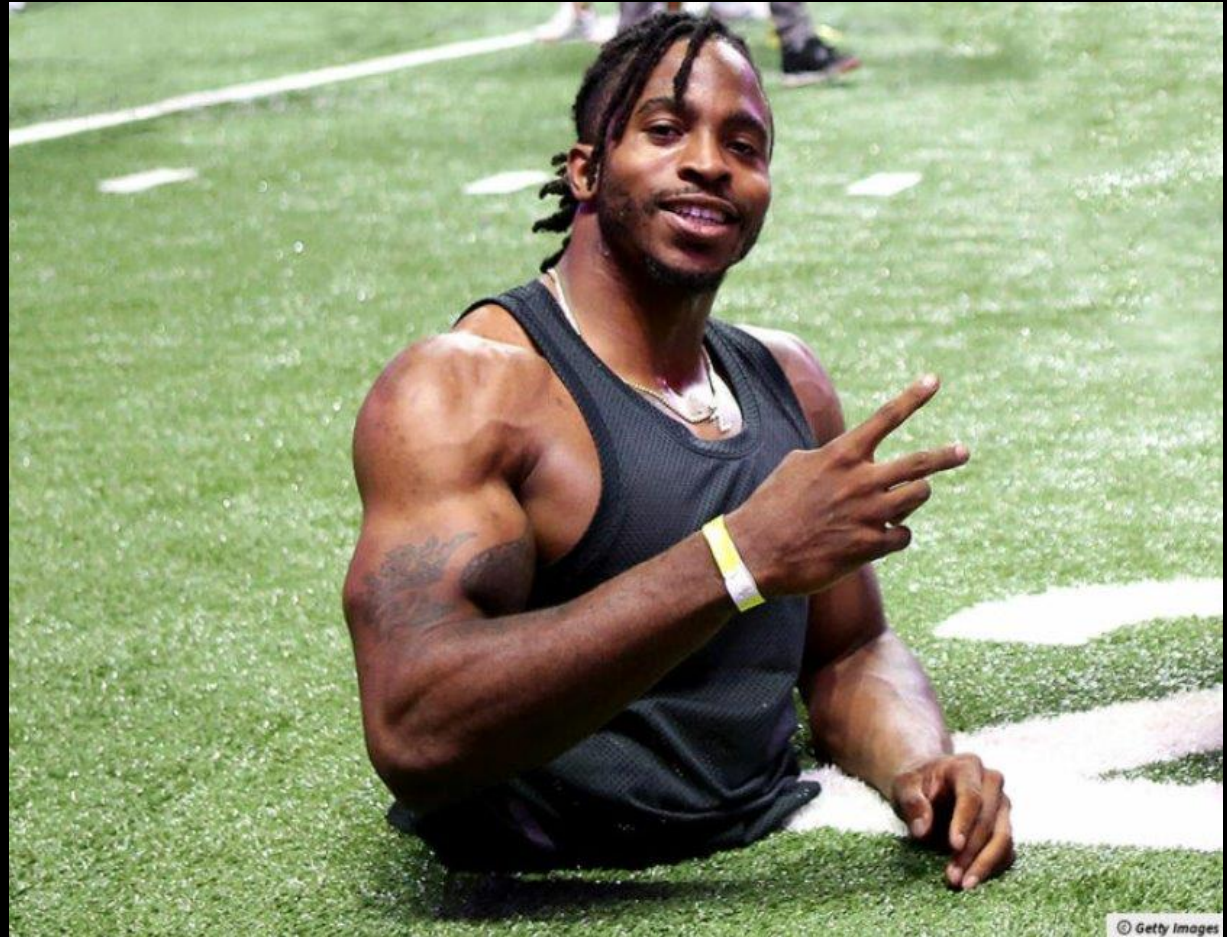
Change the narrative



**YOUR
FUTURE
GROWTH
MINDSET**

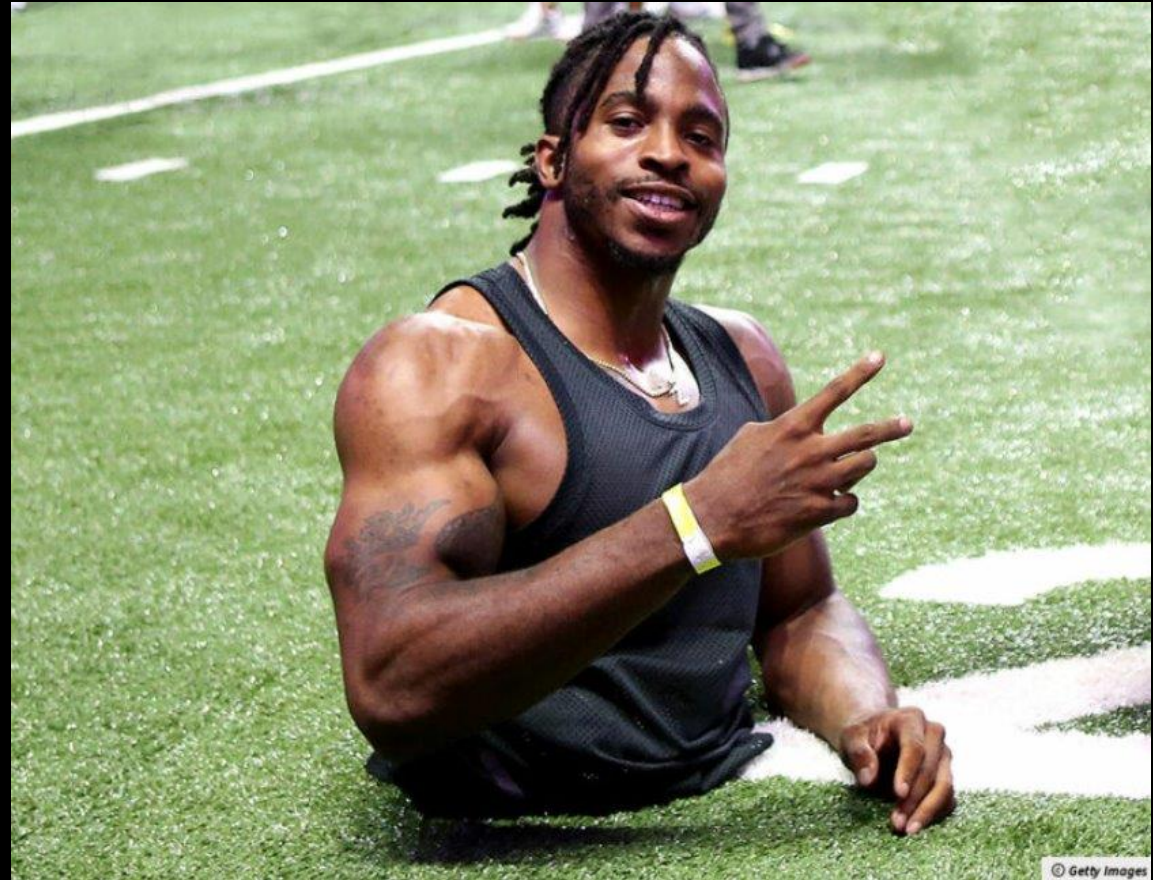


**Change the narrative
Zion Clark born without legs into a
poor family.**



**YOUR
FUTURE
CHANGE
THE
NARRATIVE**

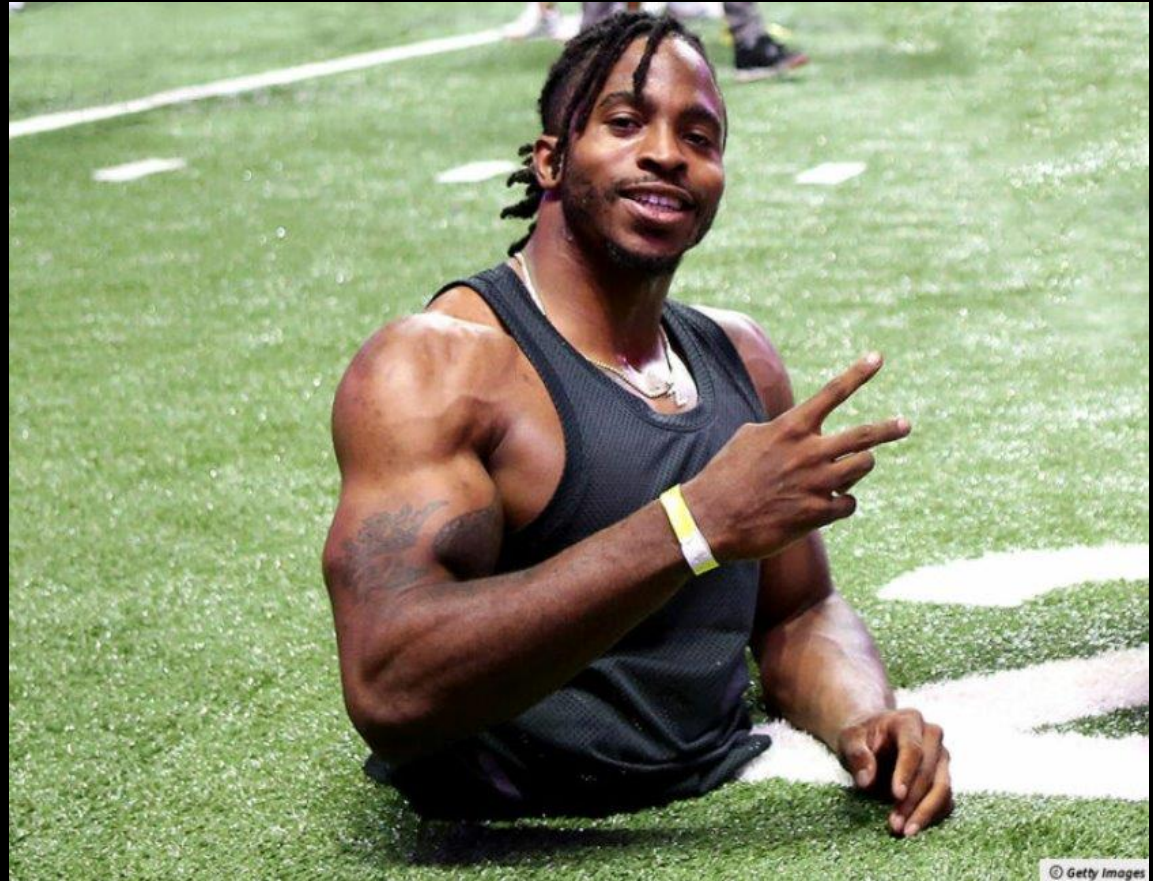
**Zion Clark 3x Guinness World Records
title holder: fastest 20m walking on
hands, highest box jump with the hands,
& most diamond push-ups in 3 minutes.**



**YOUR
FUTURE
GROWTH
MINDSET**



**Zion Clark's motto?
'NO EXCUSES!'**



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YOUR FUTURE

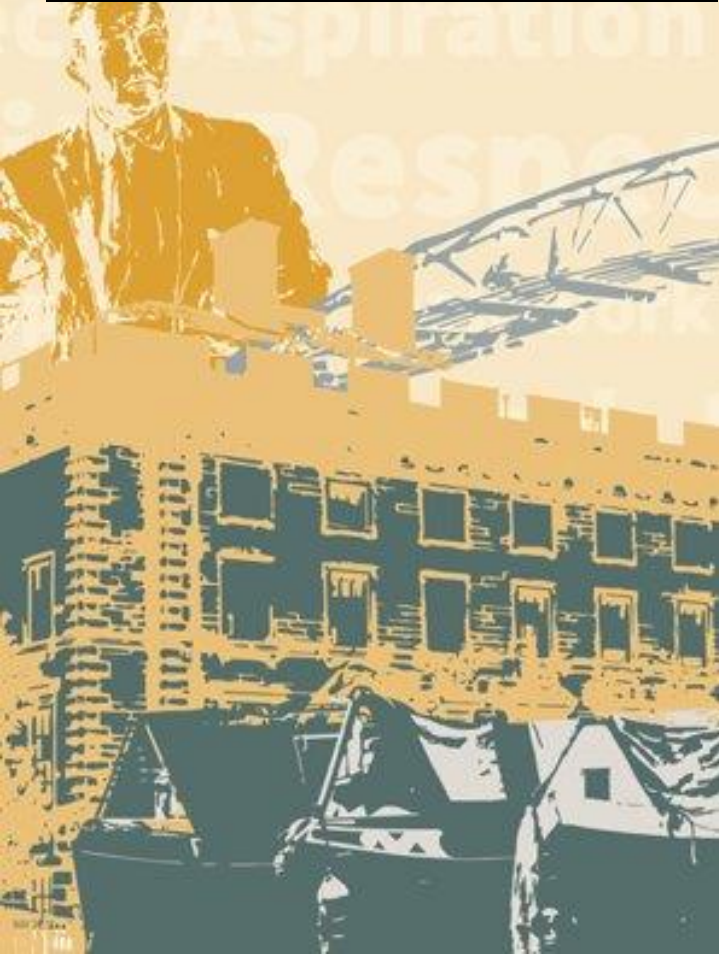


10 STEPS TO SUCCESS

1. Try
2. Try again
3. Try once more
4. Try a little differently
5. Try it again tomorrow
6. Try and ask for help
7. Try to find someone who has done it
8. Try to fix what is not working
9. Try to expand what is working
10. Just keep trying until you succeed



**YOUR
FUTURE
ASPIRATION**



Think back to your 'why'.

**To achieve it,
how are you showing up?**

**What positive steps can you
make today?**

**YOUR
FUTURE
ASPIRATION**



**Fail early,
Fail often,
Fail forward.**

**If you're not making
mistakes, you're
probably not growing.**

YOUR FUTURE ASPIRATION



Failing forward is the ability to get back up after you've been knocked down, learn from your mistake, and move forward in a better direction.

John C. Maxwell