

COMMUNITY NEWS

Week 10b – Monday 10th November



**Newsome
Academy**

STUDENT SEMINAR

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Key information shared to all students and families each week.
To be discussed at home to support home/school communication & consistency.



6 WEEKS

UNTIL 2 WEEKS
CHRISTMAS BREAK

0 WEEKS

UNTIL Y11 MOCK 4

13 WEEKS

UNTIL Y10 GCSE
MOCKS
9TH FEB

22 WEEKS

UNTIL GCSE EXAMS
START
5TH MAY

32 WEEKS

UNTIL THE END OF
SCHOOL YEAR

HOLIDAY INSET Y6 TRANSITION

2025					2026						
August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
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YEAR 10 GCSE SUCCESS EVENINGS

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Event 1 HT2 – Thurs. 13th November - 5pm - 6pm	Intro to GCSE Year - Preparation for Mocks - Race to Exceptional Initiative - Work Experience
Event 2 Thursday 26th February 5pm-6pm	February Mock results and Parents' Evening - Information sharing and understanding results - How to support your child further
Event 3 Monday 18th May 5pm - 6pm	Work Experience preparation (w/c 8th June) - Final prep for Work Experience - How to support your child further
Event 4 Thursday 9th July (5pm – 6pm)	June Mock results Exam timings and protocol



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Event 1 Thursday 9th October 5pm-6pm	Key Deadlines - Preparation for October Mocks - Home Run Initiative - Period 6 information
Event 2 Thursday 27th November 5pm-6pm	October Mock Results - Information sharing and understanding results - How to support your child further
Event 3 Thursday 19th March 5pm-6pm	March Mock Results - Information sharing and understanding results - How to support your child further
Event 4 Thursday 30th April 5pm-6pm	Preparing for the real thing! Exam timings and protocol

YEAR 11 NOVEMBER MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE



WEEK 1

	9.00 Start	9:10	P1	10.10	P2	11.10 Break	P3	12.30	13.30 Lunch	P5
Mon		60m	60m		60m					
3rd Nov		First day back - No morning session					History Paper Paper 1- Pt1 (1hr)	ET/To lesson		60m
Tue		History Paper Paper 1 - Pt2 (1hr)		ET/To lesson			Maths - Paper 1 (1hr 30m)			ET/To lesson
4th Nov		Geography - Paper 1 (1hr 30m)					ET/To lesson	Business (1hr 30m)		ET/To lesson
Wed	5th Nov	English - Literature - Paper 1 (1hr 45m)				ET/To lesson	Computing (Comp 3) (1hr 30m) - Sat in class		ET/To lesson	
Thur		Combined Science: Biology - Paper 1 (1hr 15m) Separate Biology - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m)				ET/To lesson	MFL - Fr/Ger - Reading Paper (F=45m H=60)		ET/To lesson	
6th Nov										
Fri	7th Nov	Maths - Paper 2 (1hr 30m)			ET/To lesson					

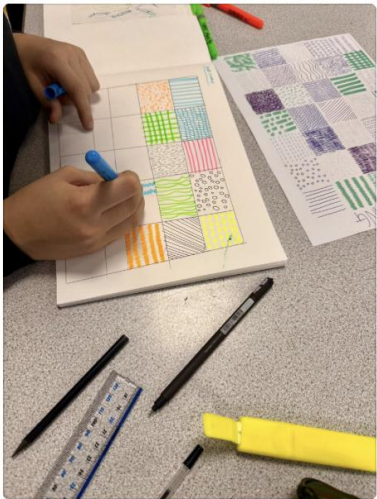
WEEK 2

	9.00 Start	9:10 60m	P1	10.10 60m	P2	11.10 Break	P3	12.30 60m	P4	13.30 Lunch	P5
Mon 10th Nov		Combined Science: Chemistry Paper 1 (1hr 15m) Separate Chemistry - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m)					History - Paper 2 (1hr)	ET/To lesson			
Tue 11th Nov		MFL - Fr/Ger - Listening (F45H60) In lesson			ET/To lesson		Geography - Paper 2 (1hr 30m)		ET/To lesson		
Wed 12th Nov		RE - Paper 1 (1hr 45m)					Fr/Ger - Writing Paper (F = 1hr 15m H = 1hr 20m)		ET/To lesson		
Thur 13th Nov		Combined Science: Physics Paper 1 (1hr 15m) Separate Physics - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m)					Health & Fitness (1hr 30m)) x 1 clash		ET/To lesson		Art (3 x hrs total)
Fri 14th Nov		English - Language - Paper 1 (1hr 45m)					Art (3 x hrs total)		ET/To lesson		Photography (3 x hrs total)
							Food (1hr 30m) x 5 clash		ET/To lesson		
							Photography (3 x hrs total)		ET/To lesson		
							Maths - Paper 3 (1hr 30m)		ET/To lesson		

WEEK 3

	9.00 Start	9:10 60m	P1	10.10 60m	P2	11.10 Break	P3	12.30 60m	P4	13.30 Lunch	P5
Mon 17th Nov		RE - Paper 2 (1hr 45m)					RISE				
Tue 18th Nov		Catch-up					Catch-up				

Mark making art lesson with Y7 today. Some great work here 😊😊



Good evening both,
Apologies for late e mail- I just wanted to say a truly heartfelt thank you for inviting me Dean and Anna for your time today in showing me around your bloomin amazing school. I came away inspired, challenged, full of questions and so impressed with everything you have done- it was joyous to see your pupils thriving and loving learning and easy to see why in the safe , nurturing and thoughtful learning spaces you have created. (and extra treat having 5 minutes with Oren)

I appreciate you are busy but I would really like a couple of staff from Park Lane to visit because we are developing spaces which will improve support for pupils with various needs and I think if they could see what you have created and hear your rationales around use, it would be really beneficial. Would this be a possibility ? I would really appreciate it but do know your time is precious.

Thanks again
Debbie



SPECIAL moments

 **Newsome Academy** @NewsomeAcademy

What a fantastic tribute to see as you walk through the door! 😊



Any school wishing to join our professional Attendance Collaboration- please DM us! #inittogether



PARTNERS

Newsome Academy hosts informal Attendance Networks for any local school that wants to collaborate. These meetings provide a safe and collaborative environment where we can bring our collective expertise together, share good practice, and learn from each other.

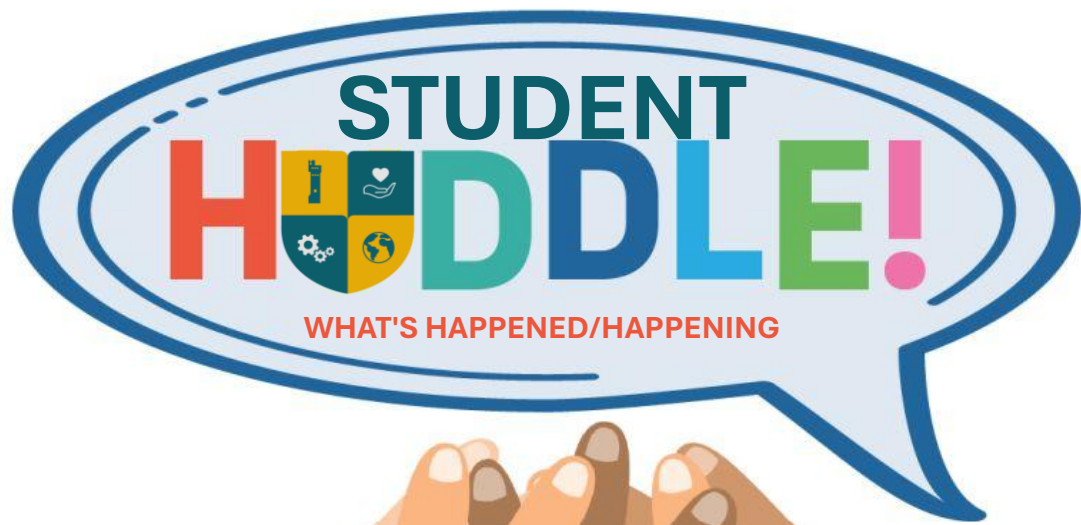
- Salendine Nook High School (Secondary)
- Royds Hall Academy (Secondary)
- North Huddersfield Trust School (Secondary)
- Netherhall Learning Campus (All-Through)
- King James's High School (Secondary)
- Moor End Academy (Secondary)
- Colne Valley Academy (Secondary)
- Newsome Junior Academy (Primary)
- Hill View Primary Academy (Primary)

Lots of 'wet' breaks today but students were, as always, calm and purposeful throughout. Dr Doolittle helped! 😊



Today we have external employers volunteering to carry out mock interviews with our Year 10s - what a wonderful career opportunity! 😊



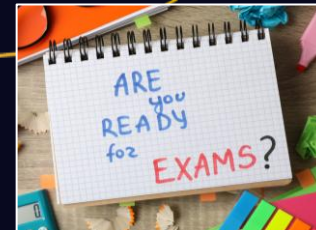
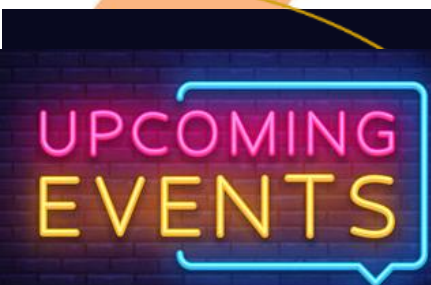


WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK STARTING 20TH October

- **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** – On Monday 10.11.25 please support and wear odd socks. All students will be carrying out random acts of kindness (RAOK) to support the theme of Children in Need and will be aiming to collect 25 signatures off staff to achieve extra reward points. Along with other events throughout the week, there will be a donations buckets at social times to support Children in Need. Thank you.
- **REMEMBRANCE DAY** – On Tues. 11.11.25 - we will be jointly celebrating the occasion with NJU as we did last year at the end of P1. Students to be on courts in line-ups by 9:50am.
- **Y11 MOCK EXAMS** – continue in the sports hall and gym. The timetable is on the website and on the screens.
- **Y10 GCSE EVENING** – Thursday 13.11.25 6pm – 7pm – this is for staff information only.
- **P6** - advance notice – starts Monday 17.11.25
- **Y11 PARENTS' EVENING & MOCK RESULTS** – Thursday 27.11.25 4.30pm - 6.30pm
- **Y7 ROAD SAFETY** performance Thursday 13th P5.

STOP BULLYING
STAND UP. SPEAK OUT.



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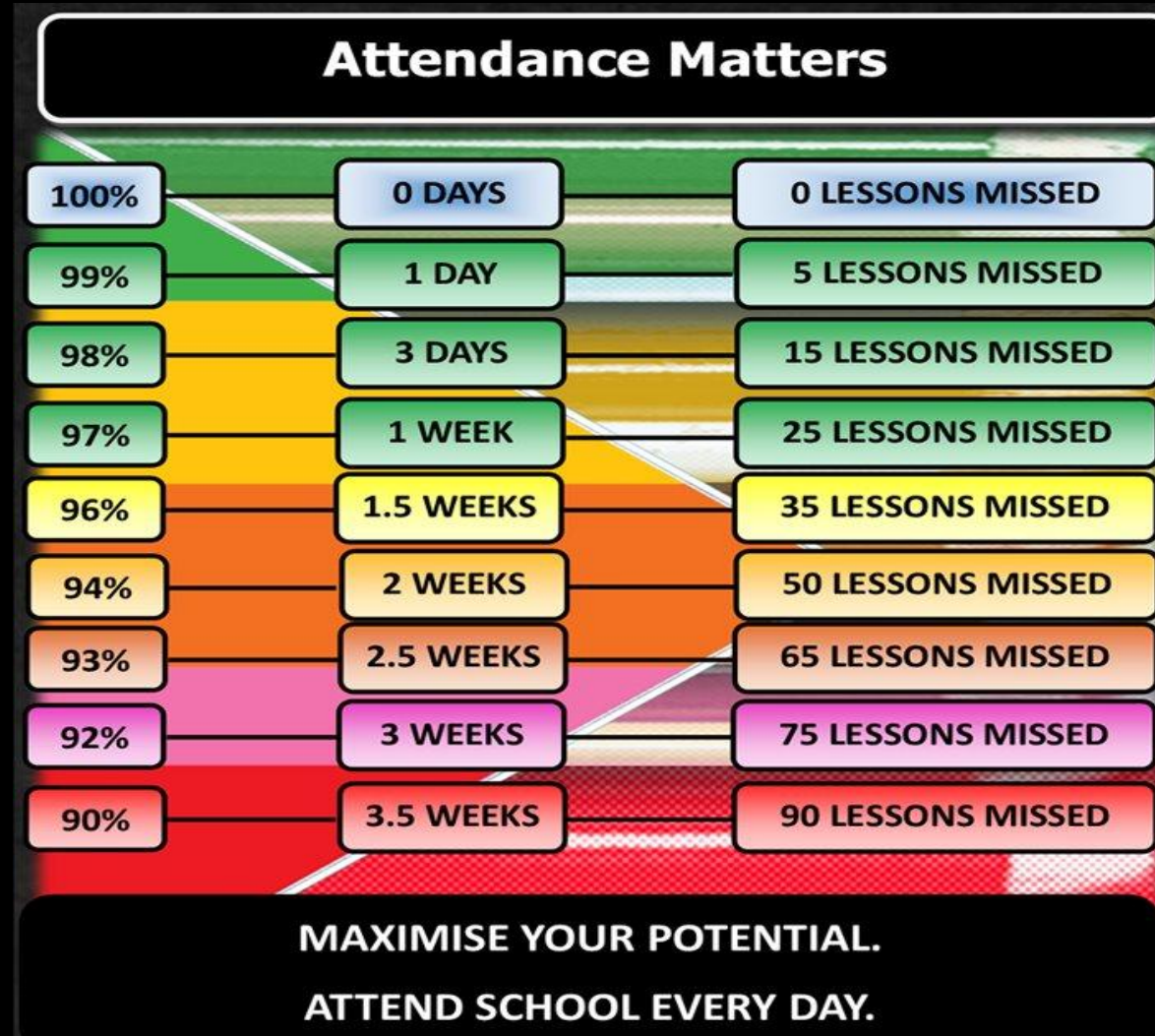


**THE
SPECIAL 6**
STEPS TO EXCEPTIONAL

- ✓ **ATTENDANCE**
- ✓ **ATTITUDE TO LEARNING**
- ✓ **CONDUCT**
- ✓ **REWARDS**
- ✓ **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**
- ✓ **HEALTH**

General Expectations

✓ Attendance matters



Remember the impact that a low attendance figure has on College applications and life chances!

NOTICES

- Monday 10th November, **Odd Socks Day**, to launch Anti-Bullying week and celebrate individuality and uniqueness
- Tuesday 11th November, **Remembrance Day**. We will congregate as a community, along with NJU, in line-ups at 9:50am and have our 2-minute silence.
- Everyone will be given a challenge sheet in teams this morning, to complete **25 random acts of kindness** (RAOK) throughout the week to support the Children in Need theme: 'Challenge yourself to 25'. It's simple, just do a random act of kindness for an adult in school and they can sign your sheet. Once you have all 25 signed, hand it into your HoY or Mrs Stokes – just make sure your name and team is on it – and reward points will be added to your Class charts!
- A donation bucket will be with a member of staff every social time; all fuds collected will go to **Children in Need**.

Thank you everyone for supporting all our awareness days this week!





MINDSET

MASTERY





Remembrance Day, observed annually on November 11, is a significant occasion dedicated to honoring and remembering those who served and sacrificed in the British and Commonwealth armed forces, as well as civilians, in various conflicts. For teenagers in school, it provides an opportunity to reflect on history, understand the impact of war, and appreciate the value of peace and freedom.

It marks the end of fighting in World War I—known as the Armistice—at 11:00 am on November 11, 1918. The day is a chance to:

- **Acknowledge sacrifices:** Recognise the extraordinary bravery and sacrifices made by millions of people across generations.
- **Understand history:** Connect with the events that have shaped the modern world.
- **Promote peace:** Reflect on the futility and human cost of war and value peace.
- **Support veterans:** Show support for veterans and their families who may still be affected by their experiences.



- The Armistice:** Explain that fighting in WWI formally ended at the "11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month" in 1918.



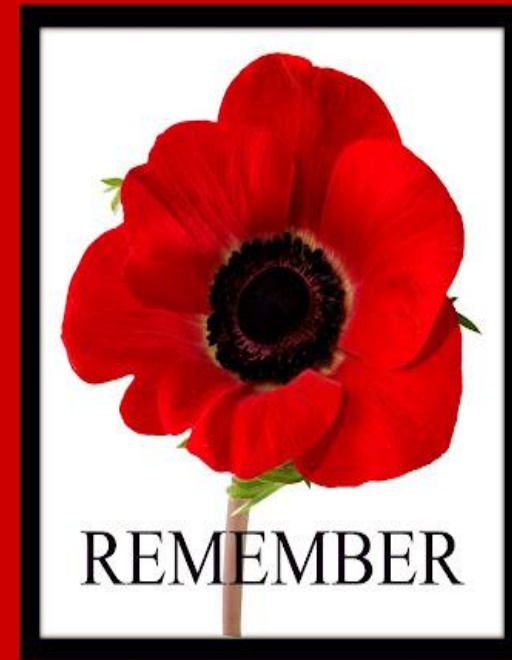
- From Armistice Day to Remembrance Day:** The day was initially dedicated to WWI fallen soldiers. After WWII, it was expanded to commemorate all service personnel lost in all conflicts.

- Global Significance:** Note that many Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth nations (like France and Belgium) observe this day.



The Symbolism of the Poppy

- **"In Flanders Fields":** Mention the poem by Canadian doctor John McCrae, which described poppies growing on WWI battlefields.
- **Symbolism:** Poppies represent both the blood spilled and the hope of new life/peace in the devastated fields.
- **The Poppy Appeal:** Explain that artificial poppies are sold annually by the [Royal British Legion](#) to raise funds for veterans and their families.



LEGION MAGAZINE

P R E S E N T S

“In Flanders Fields”

by John McCrae



Recited by **Leonard Cohen**



Key Observances

- **The Two-Minute Silence:** A national tradition observed at 11 am on November 11th, conceived by King George V as a moment of "reverent remembrance" for the dead.
- **Ceremonies and Wreath Laying:** Describe the services held at war memorials (Cenotaphs) across the country, where wreaths are laid by officials, veterans, and community members.
- **The Cenotaph:** Explain the meaning of "cenotaph" (Greek for "empty tomb") as a central place of mourning for those without known graves.





Modern Relevance & Conclusion

- **Remembering All Conflicts:** Emphasize that remembrance today includes all conflicts since WWI, such as WWII, the Falklands War, and more recent conflicts.
- **Why We Remember:** To learn from history, value peace, honor sacrifice, and support veterans.
- **Call to Action:** Suggest ways to participate, such as wearing a poppy, observing the silence, or discussing family history related to service.





We celebrate "Children in Need" to raise money and awareness for charities that support disadvantaged children and young people in the UK. The annual event, spearheaded by the BBC, is a major fundraising campaign that culminates in a televised appeal, encouraging individuals, schools, and businesses to get involved and make a difference. The funds raised are distributed to over 3,000 projects across the UK that provide essential support to children facing issues like poverty, social inequality, family challenges, and disabilities.

Odd Socks Day is celebrated to promote individuality and to raise awareness about bullying, particularly during the first day of [Anti-Bullying Week](#). By wearing odd socks, people are encouraged to celebrate their uniqueness and embrace what makes them different, sending a message that everyone should be able to be themselves without fear of judgment. The initiative was started by [Andy and the Odd Socks](#) in partnership with the [Anti-Bullying Alliance](#).



TOGETHER WE SHINE

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
CHILDREN IN NEED



WHOLE SCHOOL POSTER CHALLENGE

This week we are launching a whole-school poster challenge to mark **Anti Bullying Week & Children in Need**.

Theme: *Together We Shine*



Design a poster that promotes **kindness, inclusion, and standing up for others**.

Deadline: Friday 14 November

Prizes: KS3, KS4 + Most Creative

Submit to: Art Department or Miss Riley via Teams/email

Winners announced: Monday 17 November

Winning entries will be displayed proudly across the school.



WHOLE SCHOOL POSTER CHALLENGE

Your design should:

- Be A4 or A3
- Be hand-drawn or digital
- Include the phrase “**Together We Shine**”
- Be **bold and eye-catching**
- Include positive messages
- Take inspiration from **Anti-Bullying Week** and **Children in Need** — for example, through colours, themes, or symbols



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

AUTUMN TERM 2 2025-2026

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Extra-Curricular Activities: Autumn Term 2 25/26 (3-4pm)



DAY	CLUB	LOCATION	STAFF	P6 Week A (after mocks)	P6 Week B (after mocks)
MONDAY	- Netball - D of E - Boys Fitness - Cooking Club	- Sports Hall 402 - Fitness Suite - Cooking Room	- HRA/SMT - GEA/JDA - GEA/JDA - JBA	French German Health and Social Care Media A Travel and Tourism A	Humanities Geography & History
TUESDAY	- Wheelchair sports club - Music Club (Invite Only) - KS3 Coding Club	- Sports Hall 401 608	- SCU - AMC - OMO	Science	Science
WEDNESDAY	7/8 Girls Football - BSL Club - STEM on Track (Invite only) - Music Club - PRIDE club – Week A lunch time	- Astro 805 - Lecture Theatre 401 302	- HRA/HH - DCR/ SHE - EGA - AMC - CBR	Maths	Maths
THURSDAY	- Girls Fitness - Basketball - IDEA Lab - Choir - Drama Club - Work Experience Drop In - Sparx Support Club	- Fitness suite - Sportshall 503 401 - Lecture Theatre - Library 402	- SMT - GEA,JDA - EGA - ECO/CBR - LAB/BRO - HDU/KST - EB	English	English
FRIDAY	- Student Council KS3 – Week A lunch - Student Council KS4 – Week A lunch	302 302	- CBR - CBR	11C Business and Enterprise 11C Food 11C Health and Fitness 11C Performing arts 11C Photography 11C/Re1 11C/Sc1 11C/Travel and tourism	11D/Art1 11D/Business and Enterprise 1 11D/Computing1 11D/Food t1 11D/Health and fitness1 11D/Media 1 11D/Music1



The Designated Safeguarding Leads @TNA

Miss Hall is the Designated Safeguarding Lead



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