



Queen Elizabeth High School

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21 October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

We have reached the end of a very busy half term in the high school. The students have worked well, and it has been wonderful to see school (post-pandemic) in full flow. There are currently 50 different clubs and activities running, ranging from debating to race car club. There have been trips to Beamish, York and Benwell/Jesmond. This week the BBC visited and students heard stories of resilience and success. I hope that the students enjoy their October break.

QE Parent, Teacher and Friends' Association (PTFA)

We held the inaugural meeting of the QE Parent, Teacher and Friends' Association on Tuesday evening. Kate Robson and Becky Elton were voted in as co-chairs. The meeting was filled with energy and ideas. There will be more information over the coming weeks about their plans and activities. Thank you to those parents/carers who attended the meeting.

Student News

Rowing Success: Following our update last week, we are delighted to say that Robbie C and his rowing partner from Durham came third in the International Under 19 World Rowing Beach Sprint Finals.

Peter Pan! Congratulations to Cate W in 9JIC, who is starring as Wendy in the Dragon Tales Theatre Group production of Peter Pan from the 26 – 29 October. Tickets can be booked [here](#).



Buildings Award

We are delighted to say that our new buildings and facilities won 'Schools Project of the Year' at the 2022 Education Estates Awards in Manchester on Tuesday evening.

News from the Community

Hexham Youth Initiative: Please see attached the Hexham Youthy October Half Term Activities. You can book via Facebook or text – contact details on the attachment.



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Northumberland Libraries: There is a session for The Big Draw Festival at Hexham Library on Saturday 29 October, aimed at 8-16 year olds. This is a wet felting workshop, inspired by the Lindisfarne Gospels. The idea is to explore drawing with multicoloured wool to create Northumberland scenes, so it's something a bit different and perhaps not something people have had the chance to have a go at before. Spaces can be booked via Eventbrite. The cost is £2 and the session lasts for two hours. All materials are supplied. Please see attached poster or their [website](#) for more information, including a link to book.

School returns on Monday 31 October.

Kind regards

Mr Seaton
Head of School