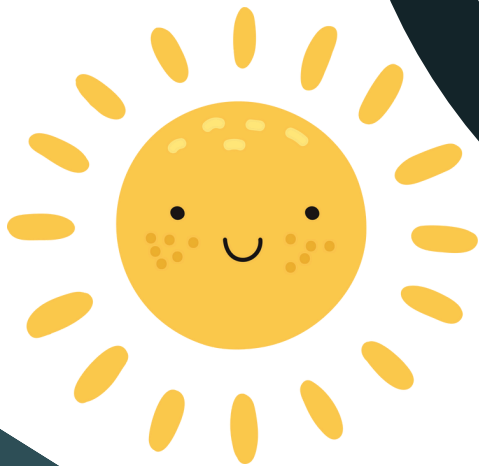


# DUKE'S JOURNAL



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# WOODHORN TAKEOVER!

Arc class were lucky enough to be invited along to Woodhorn Museum to take part in Takeover Day. Takeover Day is a national scheme which enables young people to take part in the day to day operations of public institutions like museums. The theme of this year's takeover was "Games". The learners worked really hard with Mrs Oakley to produce a range of games which incorporated our local mining heritage. The day started off with the learners taking part in the daily staff briefing. They had to explain to the staff a little about each of their activities. The learners really did well as they hadn't been expecting to do this. It was then time for the doors to open! The learners were then able to showcase the games in the museum and were able to engage with visitors. The learners all did this brilliantly and it was lovely to see their confidence build as the day went on. Learners happily conversed with visitors old and young and were a real credit to themselves and Duke's. The staff at Woodhorn were really impressed with how well the learners rose to the challenge of the theme and they thought all of the games were engaging and well thought out. The members of the public who took on the challenge of the games gave some fabulous feedback. We look forward to finding out what next year's theme is!



# WOODHORN TAKEOVER!

Great Job!



# Author Visit

A group of 40 Year 7 students took part in a fantastic comic book workshop on Monday 13th of May. The workshop was led by renowned illustrator Kev F Sutherland - during Kev's career he has commissioned work for *The Beano* and *Marvel Comics*.

The students created original comic covers, characters and their very own comic strip! Kev shared his expertise and inspired some fantastic creative work. The students learned all about how their talents could be used in the future in jobs such as film producers, animators, editors and many more. A fantastic day was had by all!





# Sports News

Well done to our Y8 football 'B' squad who played in a festival at Blyth on the 16th May. All of the boys in the squad embraced and represented our 'LIGHT' values brilliantly. Well done!



Another well done to the Duke's athletics team and the staff PE team who organised the East Northumberland Athletics Championships at Jarrow yesterday.

An excellent day for all schools and students involved!

# *Sports News*

Huge congratulations to Y7 Duke's student, Lewis Connolly, who won the 100m and 200m North East Athletics Championship, earlier this month in Middlesbrough.

**Well done Lewis!**

*You did it!*





# *Sports News*

Well done to our Y7 and Y8 football 9 aside squads, who have recently played at festivals in Blyth.

They both had impressive records:

**Girls:** Drew 4 and lost 1

**Boys:** Won 2, drew 2 and lost 1



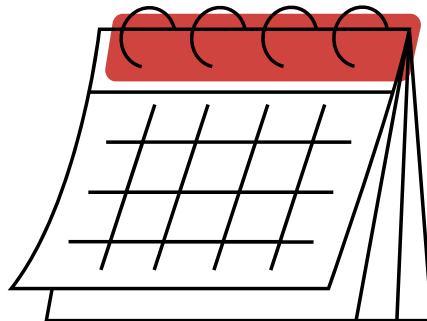
**GREAT JOB!**





**We wish you a very happy and safe half term break! Use the link below to see if there are any activities near you...**

[Visit Northumberland](#)



**After the holidays, don't forget:**

Y8 Parent's Evening: 12th June

**Coming up:**

Year 10 Mock Exams

KS3 Progress Tests

Sports Day in July

