

European Day of Languages 2025



Annual competition for schools throughout the UK (organised in North-East England).

Together ALLNE, nFLNE and partners are once again organising an annual European Day of Languages writing competition for Schools, and in 2025 it is once more open to the whole country!

This year's Council of Europe theme is: Languages open hearts and minds!

The organising committee invites language learners in any key stage to create a piece of text in a language they are learning on the theme:

Hearts and Minds

We think that younger language learners might explore the theme of **Hearts** ... by showing in writing and drawing things they carry in their heart, things and people and events they care about; they might write captions or phrases using adjectives.

Linguistically more skilled learners might approach the theme of **Hearts and Minds** by thinking of:

- Favourite memories – what are they and why do they cherish them?
- How to keep a healthy heart and a healthy mind.

Pupils should write their name, age, language used, class, teacher and school on the back of their entry.

Please hand in your submissions to Miss Geneviève in A101 by Friday 3rd October at 9am.

- Connecting with other people in different ways; developing empathy.
- Writing a blog interview with, or article about, someone they admire (Hearts) and getting into the mind of their idol!
- Or considering how Languages open hearts and minds!

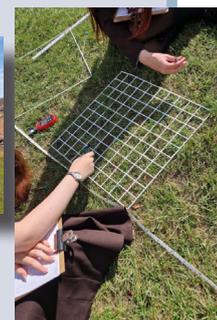
'If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.'

The judges are always amazed at the range of interpretations learners bring to the theme! There will be certificates and prizes! The text must include words in a language or languages other than English, and could include imagery relating to the concept. The judges look for tidy and attractive presentation but prefer handwritten text; they are less interested in AI creations, but understand that some learners may need that support. (Teachers are requested to make a note to that effect, please). Artwork makes a powerful contribution, but judges will look principally at the language in the text, rather than the quality of any images. No entry can be larger than a sheet of A4 paper.



Biology - Year 9 & 11

Before the bad weather last week, Year 9 and Year 11 were able to enjoy the nice weather and do some sampling as part of the KS3 national curriculum and part of their required practical for GCSE. This involved both random and systematic sampling looking at different species and how light intensity can affect the growth of plant species.



FRESHER'S FAIR 2025



Wednesday 24 September marked the launch of this academic year's Enrichment Programme, beginning with an introduction to the wide range of societies and clubs available to students.

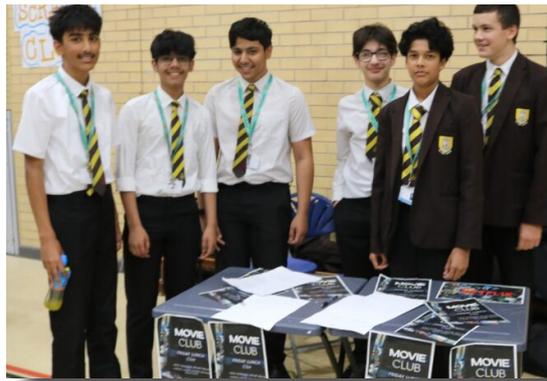
they need is the support of a staff member to get started.

We look forward to seeing students trying something new or continuing to develop their existing talents and attributes to the best of their ability.

All clubs will officially launch during the week commencing 29 September.



We take great pride in the variety of activities on offer, providing students with opportunities to explore new interests, develop valuable skills, and connect with others. For every club or society they participate in, students earn '1898' points in recognition of their extra-curricular involvement.



The atmosphere in the Sports Hall yesterday was full of excitement and enthusiasm, with many students eager to get involved.

We hope there's something for everyone – and if not, students are encouraged to propose their own club or society. All



DIARY DATES

Monday 29 September - Friday 3 October Bewerley Park
Mon- Wed Bronte & Clarke, Wed - Fri Priestley & Houldsworth

Tuesday 07 October 5:30pm – 7:00pm
Year 10 & 11 GCSE English Parents' Information Evening