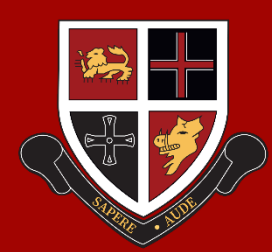


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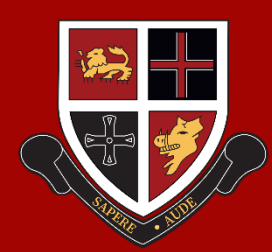


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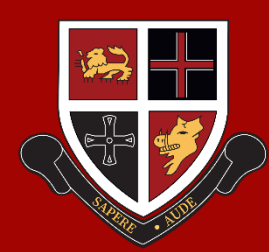
Welcome to the school

Rosslyn McFadden
Headteacher

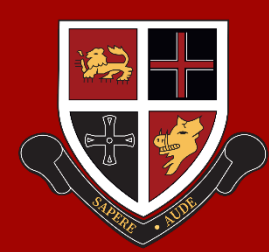


Choosing the right school for your child is hugely important.

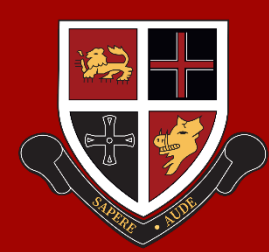
It is one of the most important decisions that we ever have to make as parents or carers.



1. What is the ethos of this school? What are the values? Do they align with mine?
2. Will my child be happy? Make friends? Be safe and treated kindly?
3. Will my child be taught well by dedicated teachers? Given the right level of support to succeed? Be prepared to make important decisions at 11, 14, 16, 18?
4. Will my child be given opportunities to develop beyond the classroom? Will the school prepare my child for life in Modern Britain?

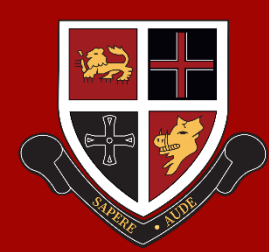


5. Can I trust the adults working with my child to behave in a kind, fair and ethical way?
6. Does the school communicate effectively?
7. Will the school be supportive if my child or family encounter difficulties?



“A great education in a great comprehensive school.”

**John Dunford, Headteacher
at Durham Johnston 1982-98**



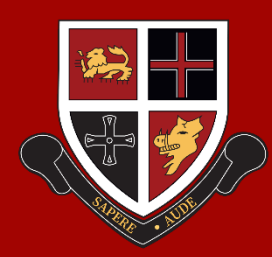
Our School Values (since 1901)

- 1. Academic Excellence**
- 2. Acquiring Knowledge**
- 3. Social Justice**
- 4. Public Service**
- 5. Diverse Opportunities**

What do they mean?



- 1. Academic Excellence;** a belief in progress for all.
- 2. Acquiring Knowledge;** the importance of being an educated person and knowing things.
- 3. Social Justice;** providing opportunities for all, regardless of background.
- 4. Public Service;** the importance of making a contribution to the school community and wider society.
- 5. Diverse Opportunities;** a rounded education that 'opens doors' regardless of location or specialism.



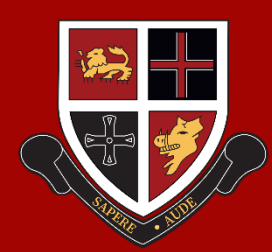
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Our Curriculum

Mr Horn

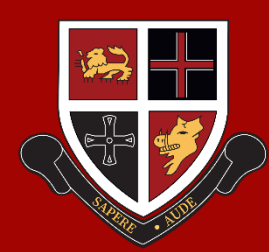
Associate Assistant Headteacher



Curriculum Ethos

- Designed for our students
- Experienced subject specialists
- Balance and choice
- Challenge for all
- Success for all

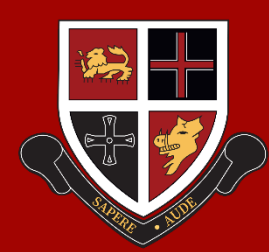




Year 7 Curriculum

- English (3)
- Mathematics (3)
- Science (3)
- Geography (2)
- History (2)
- French (2)
- German, Latin, Spanish (1)
- RE (1)
- Art (1)
- Computing (1)
- Design and Technology (1)
- Food and Nutrition (1)
- Music (1)
- PE (2)
- PSHE (1)





Class Groupings

- There are 9 Form classes – D U R H A M J C S
- Most subjects are taught in mixed ability groups both in Key Stage 3 (Y7-9) and Key Stage 4 (Y10-11).
- From Year 7 students are taught in sets for English and Maths.
- From Year 9 students are taught in sets for Science.
- Students are grouped broadly by ability in PE and there is setting in some languages.



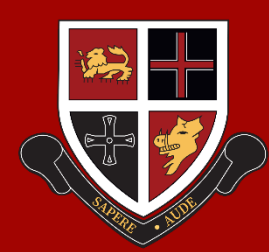
What Does a Year 7 Week Look Like?

PERIOD	TIME	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
REG	8.20-8.45	TUTOR TIME	TUTOR TIME	TUTOR TIME	TUTOR TIME	TUTOR TIME
1	8.45-9.45	SCIENCE	GEOGRAPHY	DESIGN TECH	GEOGRAPHY	MUSIC
BREAK (Year 7 & 8 students only)						
2b	10.00-11.00	PSHE	ENGLISH	ART	MATHS	HISTORY
3	11.00-12.00	FRENCH	MATHS	PE	ENGLISH	FRENCH
LUNCH (Year 7 & 8 students only)						
4b	12.45-1.45	COMPUTING	RE	SCIENCE	HISTORY	MATHS
5	1.45-2.45	PE	SCIENCE	ENGLISH	MANDARIN	FOOD/TEXTILES

FORM CLASS
MIX of 2/3 FORMS

Extended Tutor time 1 day a week until 9.00

First 3 lessons are reduced to 55 minutes

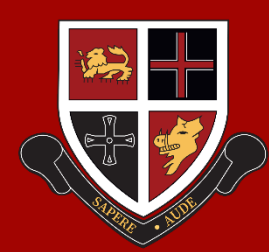


Progression – Options Choices in Year 9

- Make their option choices for Key Stage 4 in February of Year 9
- Choose 3 subjects in addition to the core

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • Art | • Geography |
| • Business | • German |
| • Computing | • Health & Social (Vocational) |
| • Construction (Vocational) | • History |
| • Drama | • Latin |
| • Design Technology | • Music |
| • Engineering (GCSE) | • Photography |
| • Engineering (Vocational) | • Physical Education |
| • French | • Spanish |
| • Food and Nutrition | • Sport (Vocational) |
| | • Textiles |





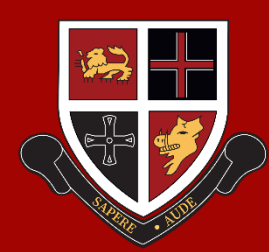
Progression – Post 16

- Guidance and support for all students

Subjects Offered at A-level

- | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| • Art | • Ethics and Philosophy | • Media |
| • Biology | • French | • Music |
| • Business | • Further Maths | • PE |
| • Chemistry | • Geography | • Physics |
| • Computing | • German | • Psychology |
| • Economics | • Gov and Politics | • Sociology |
| • English Language | • History | • Spanish |
| • English Literature | • Maths | |



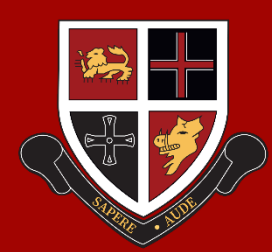


Extra Curricular – Opportunities for All

Music Department

- Aural Skills
- Big Band
- Chamber Choir
- Junior Choir
- Junior Orchestra
- Keyboard Club
- Senior Choir
- Senior Orchestra
- Theory Club
- Wind Band



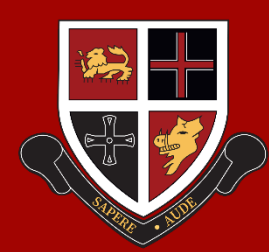


Extra Curricular – Opportunities for All

PE Department

- Athletics (Indoor & Outdoor)
 - Badminton
 - Basketball
 - Boccia*
 - Cricket
 - Cross Country
 - Curling*
 - Cycling and Mountain Biking
 - Dance
 - Football
 - Futsal
 - Hockey
 - Humberball
 - Longball
 - Netball
 - Outdoor and Adventurous (Orienteering)
 - Rounders
 - Rowing
 - Rugby
 - Table Cricket*
 - Table Tennis
 - Tennis
- *Disability Sports*



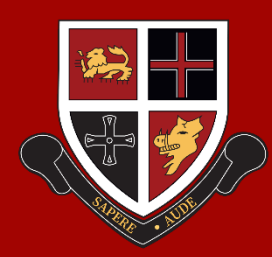


Extra Curricular – Opportunities for All

Other Clubs and Activities

- Art and Design Club
- Board Game Club
- Book Club
- CAD Club
- Chess Club
- Christian Union
- Crest Science Award Club
- Cyber Explorers Club
- Debating Club
- Drama Club
- Dungeons and Dragons
- Gardening Club
- Greek Club
- Intro to Sign Language
- Japanese Club
- Jigsaw Club
- Languages with Sandwiches
- Lego Club
- Programming Club
- Puzzle Club
- Science Club
- Scabble Club
- Script Writing Club
- Technical Theatre Club
- VEX Robotics
- Warhammer Club
- Weird Science



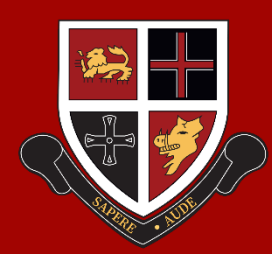


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Our Community

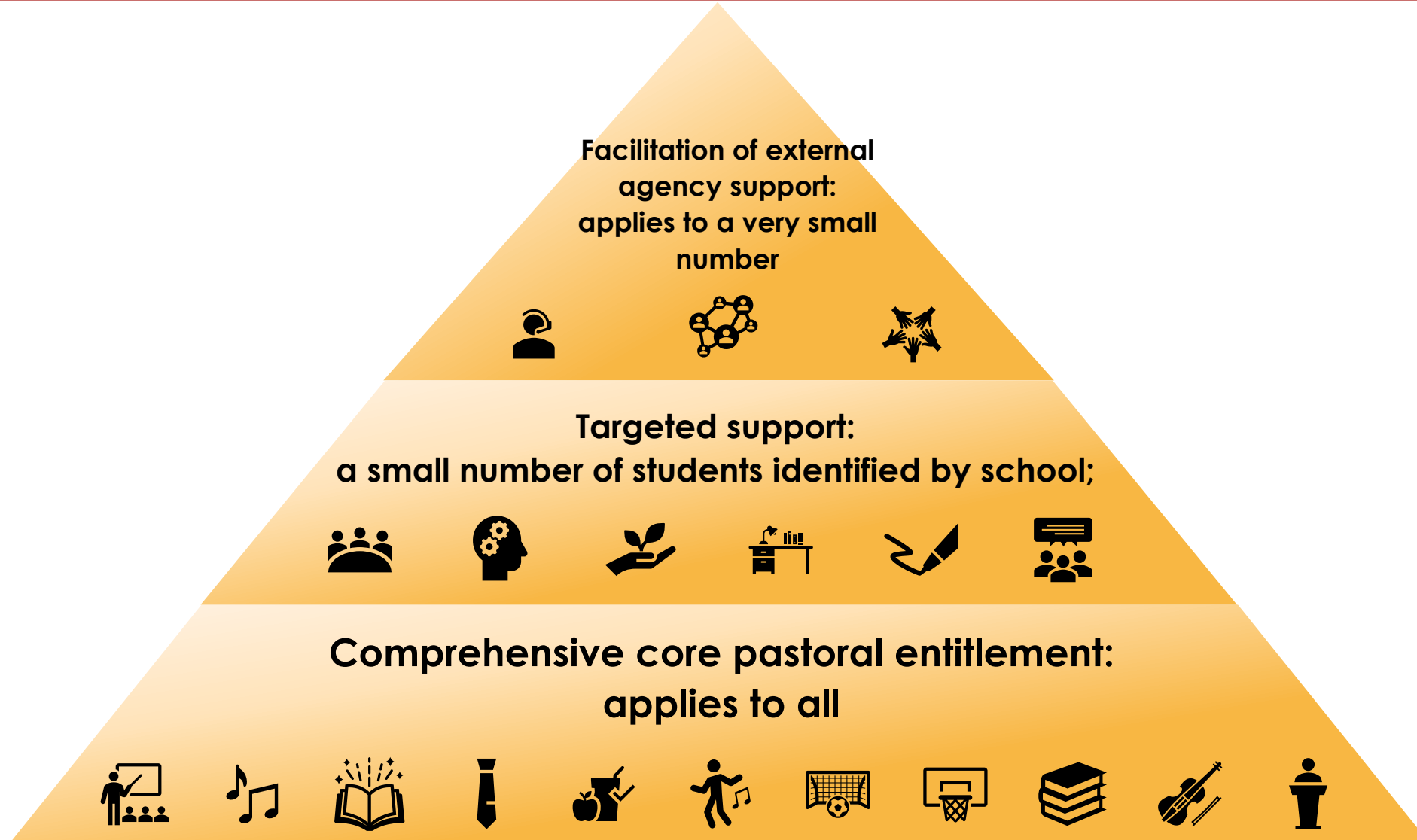
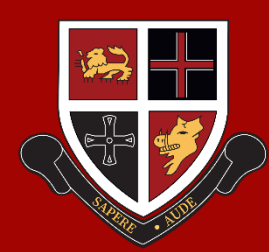
Mrs Bell
Deputy Headteacher

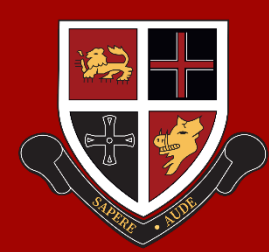


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- Form Tutor
- Assistant Year Leader
- Year Leader
- Key Stage Lead
- Subject staff
- Support staff





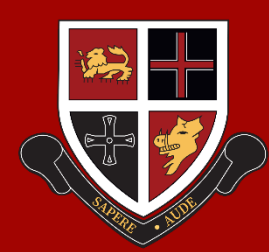


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Form time activities (a typical week at Durham Johnston)

1. **Meeting Mondays** – Assembly
2. **Tick box Tuesdays** – organisers & admin
3. **Working Wednesdays** – revision/reading
4. **Thinking Thursdays** – Discussion/thought for the day
5. **Fantastic Fridays** – quiz/fun activity

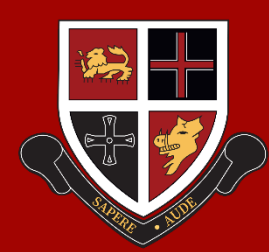




Being Part of a Community Our House System & Rewards

- Raising money for a wide variety of charities.
- Supporting students in different year groups.
- Involvement in a range of competitions and events.
- Achievement points are awarded for a variety of different reasons, academic and pastoral, and each year group has its own reward system.



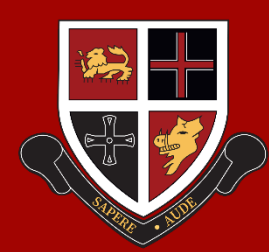


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Core values

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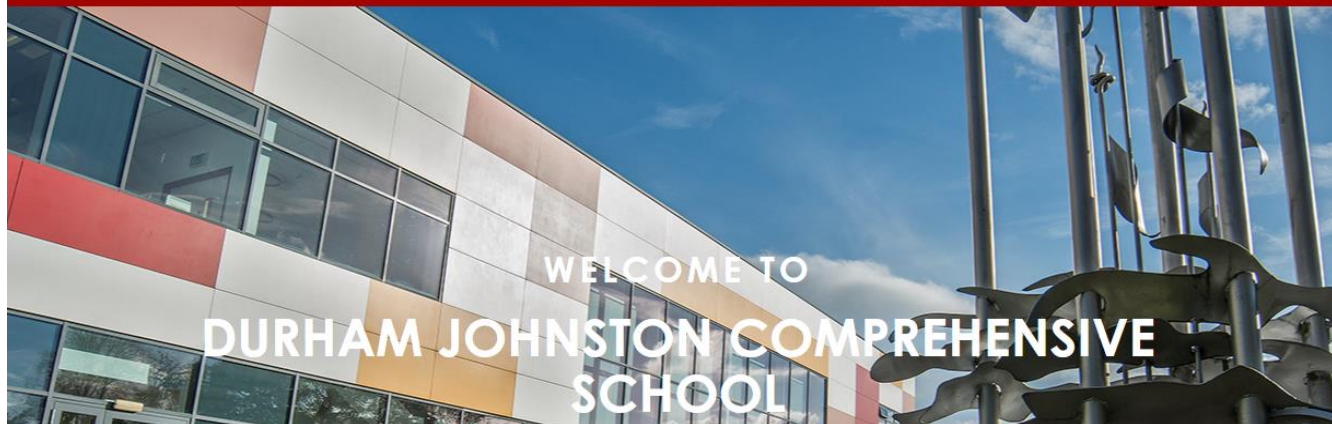


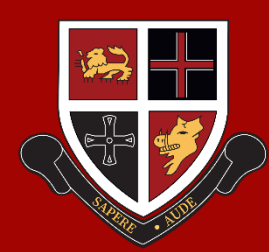
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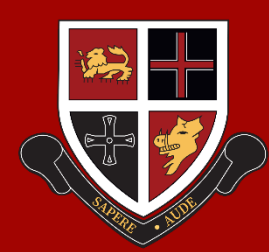
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How does the application process work?

September 2024	Applications open.
31 October 2024	Closing date for applications.
1 March 2025	National offer day. Offers are made by the Local Authority admissions team.
From 22nd March 2025	Reallocation day. You can ask for your child's name to be added to a school waiting list for the 2023/24 academic year.
From April 2025	The transition process begins, and additional visits and parental opportunities are shared.
Friday 4th July 2025	Induction day
Friday 29th August 2025	Additional Transition visit



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Thank You



**Thank you for considering Durham Johnston
Comprehensive School for your child in 2024-25.**