

# WHYTRIG MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSDROP

Week Ending 11th October 2024

## Attendance

Please remember to call in or send a message via MCAS if your child is unwell and will not be attending school by 8:30am. It is important that we have evidence for each day your child is absent, even if they were sent home the previous day.

Please also send evidence of medical/dental appointments so we can attach these to your child's profile on our system.

**This week's whole school attendance: 93.47%**

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
97.08%	92.35%	92.82%	91.87%

## Parents Evening - Monday 14th October

Parents Evening is taking place on Monday 14th October. Please use MCAS to make a booking with your child's tutor. If you are having any difficulties, please contact reception who will be able to assist you. **Bookings close on Sunday 13th October at 7pm.**

## Uniform Reminder

All items of clothing, bags and water bottles etc. should have your child's name in them. This helps us return 'lost property' to their rightful owner. By the end of each term, we have a large quantity of items that have lost their owner and are then donated to charity or unfortunately thrown away.

As it begins to get colder, please remember to send your child into school with a coat.

## MCAS Contact Details

Please remember to double check that your details are correct on MCAS. When you make a change in My Child At School, it updates the systems that we use to contact home. This also means that we don't make a mistake in the spelling of an email address or taking down a number incorrectly.



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## Mental Health Tip of the Week

Be kind!

It's great for your own mental health - as well as that of others!

Win win!

 Kindness Matters - Mental Health Foundation - Mental Health Awareness Week 2020

## SATS Information Evening - 25th November 2024

A quick notification to let you know that the Y6 staff will be holding an evening for parents on Monday 25th November to let them know about the SATs tests that Y6 children will be taking in May 2025. The session is meant to last 5pm to 6pm and will be in the Main Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

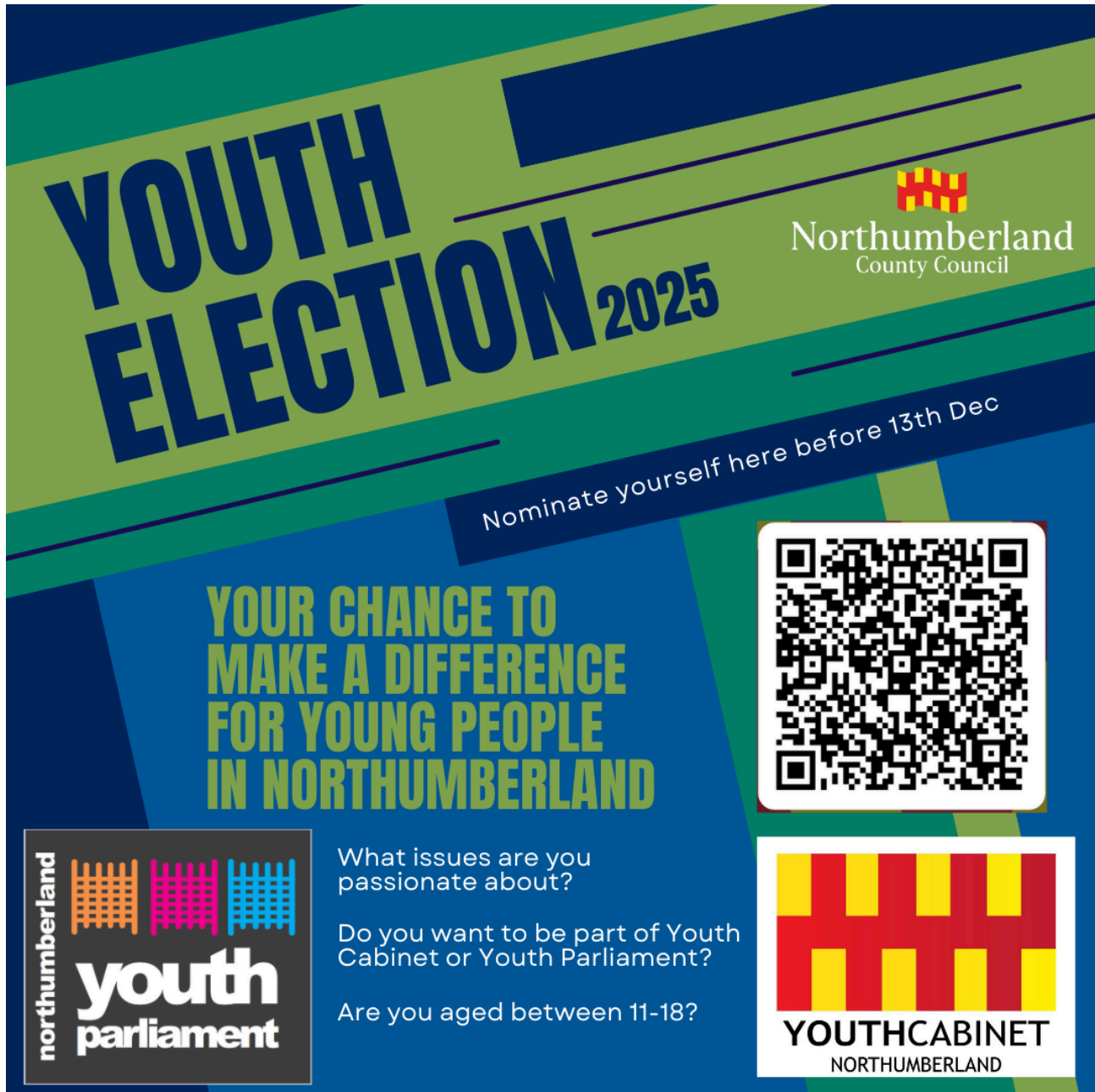
## LUNCH MENU - WEEK 3

[School Meals Menu](#)



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**YOUTH ELECTION 2025**

Northumberland County Council

Nominate yourself here before 13th Dec

**YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN NORTHUMBERLAND**

What issues are you passionate about?

Do you want to be part of Youth Cabinet or Youth Parliament?

Are you aged between 11-18?

northumberland youth parliament

YOUTHCABINET NORTHUMBERLAND

The poster features a vibrant background with diagonal stripes in shades of green, blue, and yellow. It includes the Northumberland County Council logo, a QR code, and the Youth Cabinet logo. The text is bold and clear, emphasizing the opportunity for young people to make a difference.

### Samba Band

We still have plenty of space in our Samba Band!

It is every Wednesday from 3:30 - 4:30pm.

If your child would like a place, please drop an email to reception or pop a note in their diary!

### Times Table Rock Stars

Times tables make lots of different areas of Maths easier, so it is so useful to be confident in them. Please encourage children to use TTRS at home, little and often is great!



## School Admissions - Reminder to parents of pupils in Year 8

Don't forget to apply for a high school place via the Northumberland County Council Admissions Portal. ***A place at Whytrig does not automatically guarantee a place at Astley.***

<https://tinyurl.com/high-school-application-form>

Please note the closing date for all applications to be received by the Local Authority is **Thursday 31st October 2024.**

### Free School Meals - Eligibility

If you feel you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) it is important that you apply immediately as FSM eligibility means other resources may be available to the school and your child including pupil premium. Please consider an eligibility check for FSM. Check the website below for the criteria.

[Northumberland County Council - School meals](#)

### School Sports Events & Clubs

Mon- Y6 swimming  
Tues- KS3 Boys swimming  
Tues- Netball  
Wed- KS3 Girls swimming  
Wed- KS2 boys football  
Thurs- Girls football  
Fri- KS3 Boys football

### Football Results

Year 7 Boys- County Cup  
Whytrig 8-3 Tweedmouth (Sienko x4, Young x3)  
Year 6 Girls- County Cup  
Whytrig 0-6 Ovingham MS  
KS3 Small Schools ESFA Cup  
Whytrig 0-5 Ovingham MS

### Polite reminder: requesting meetings/ phone calls:

Should you wish to meet with a member of staff or to speak to someone during the school day, please contact Reception in the first instance to make an appointment.

### Social Media Channels

Don't forget to keep up to date with everything else on our social media channels

X - @WhytrigMS

Facebook - @Whytrig Middle School

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