



ARMSTRONG NEWS

Children's Cancer Run



On Sunday the 9th of May 2010, 27 pupils from Excelsior Academy took part in the 28th Annual Children's Cancer Run at Gosforth Park Race Course.

We entered the run as an Academy in order to raise money and awareness of a local charity.

Congratulations to Armstrong Students Laura Harden, Lesley Thompson, Sherrilee Simpson, Michael Richards, Courtney Taylor, Sophie Meighan, Santa Lubika and Armstrong PE Teacher Miss Mulrone for organising our participation in the event.

As an Academy we raised in excess of £300 which is a truly awesome effort. So a massive thank you to all the wonderful parents, carers, family and friends who were bullied into making contributions!!!

Footballers of the Year

Congratulations to Michael Held and Robert Johnson for being named Footballers of the Year.



Armstrong In Space

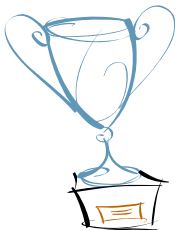


Armstrong School recently hosted an assembly given by a NASA Astronaut Trainer.

The students listened intently to the videos and talks our American friend showed us, and many questions were asked. The staff were left pondering who Armstrong's first astronaut would be!

100% Attendance

Congratulations for 100% attendance in 2009—2010 to:



- Leon Ghani
- Jalilah Musavi
- Said Musavi
- Stephen F Robertson
- Moynul Miah
- Syeda-Arrfa Ali
- Nicole Stephenson

So much has happened since the last Newsletter that I cannot give coverage to all of our successful pupils and the fascinating activities. Although I try to resist highlighting one group, special mention must be given to the KS3 pupils who attended Armstrong's first residential at Dukeshouse Wood, Hexham, Northumberland between the 12th and 14th July. They were a credit to themselves and their school and I have received nothing but praise from Armstrong staff and the activity centre staff. Well done. This newsletter continues to be a showcase of our achievements, be they personal, academic or extra curricular and it continues to grow as we establish Armstrong School.

May I take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to Armstrong School to what I know will be another successful year. It has been a pleasure to meet and work with all our new Year 7 Pupils.

The academic success in GCSE's and Vocational subjects continues to grow with pupils achieving grades in all Year groups. Further details are outlined in the newsletter.

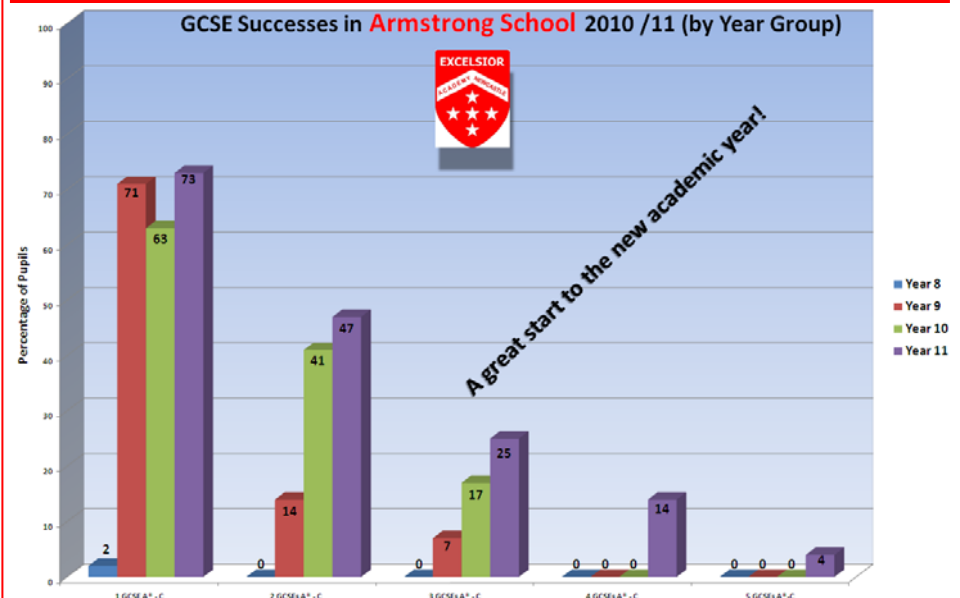
Well done to everyone and good luck to last year's Year 11 many of whom I know are joining Excelsior Sixth Form.

Whilst being incredibly proud of all pupils featured in this edition I am also proud of those who work steadily every day, are a good friend to others, display good manners and contribute to the community.

During this new academic year I urge you to check our website for details of events and photos of our pupils actively participating in the events.

Yours sincerely
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Academic Success



Mathematics Success

Congratulations to the below students for achieving Grade C or higher in GCSE Maths.

- T. Daghish (Y9)
- A. Rashdan (Y9)
- Lee Dearden (Y10)
- M. Qureshi (Y11)
- J. Dickinson (Y9)
- F. Nabilah (Y9)
- A. Kanu (Y11)
- A Mason (Y11)
- Nazia Bi (Y11)

GCSE ICT Successes

	1 GCSE	2 GCSE's
Y9	40	
Y10	29	19
Y11	38	17



Family Fun Day



The burgers from our Family Fun Day BBQ are barely cold before we are hailing it a great success.

With face painting, henna tattoos, food, games, challenges and embarrassing staff photos, students and adults thoroughly enjoyed the day, and weren't put off by the cold bleak weather outside.

In true Armstrong style the student's efforts made the day possible, and we would like to thank all the Armstrong students for their hard work and creativity that made the Family Fun Day such a success.

Kingswood Residential

Armstrong's recent Kingswood Residential trip (12th to 14th July) was a huge success and will definitely be repeated next year. The students and staff thoroughly enjoyed the experience and we are already planning next year's event.

The students made Armstrong School proud, and many faced and defeated personal fears of heights to take part in the activities. Below are a selection of photos from our adventure.



"It was so mint I wanted to stay forever"



"I liked Kingswood because the high ropes were amazing!"



"Kingswood changed my life, I'd never done anything like it before!"

2010/2011 Term Times

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Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	School Holidays	Bank Holidays
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Autumn Review Day—25/11/10

Spring Review Day—15/04/2011

Summer Review Day—1/07/2011

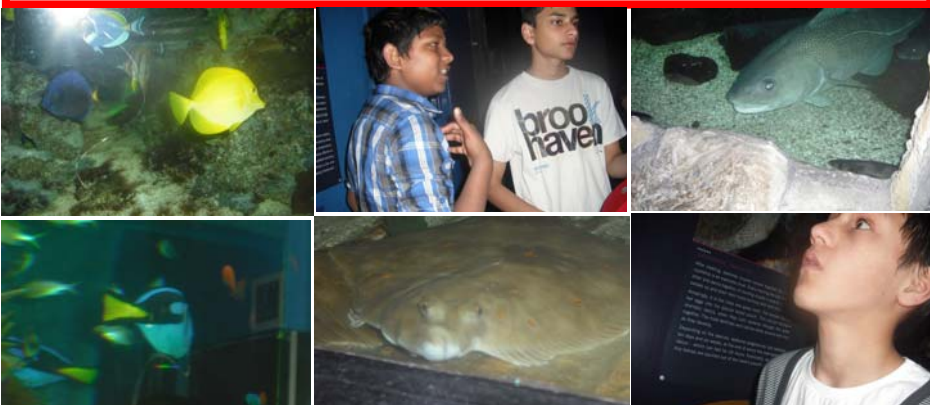
Circus Extravaganza—29 & 30/6/11

Excelstior Awards Evening—10/11/10

Inset Days—01/10/2010, 26/11/2010, / 04/03/2011



Armstrong's Aquarium Visit



Armstrong New Leaders



Armstrong's new Head Boy Roy Beard and Head Girl Aliah Musavi for 2010—2011