

Welcome to

ENDEAVOUR ACADEMY

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Merry Christmas

NEWSLETTER



A message from The Staff

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Well, we are finally at the end of a seemingly endless Autumn term!

It has certainly been a busy one and I am sure we all; staff, students, parents and carers, are ready for a well earned break. Over the last few weeks there has been much to celebrate. This includes our annual school trip to Beamish, collecting donations for a local food bank, celebrating all things Christmas at our annual school fayre and being accredited with the SEND School Award. All of which you will see included in this issue.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2026. Please take some time out to reflect on how we all work together to improve the lives of our young people. Our roles as parents, carers and staff is not an easy one but, at Endeavour, we see each year, the difference in our students from the day they walk into school for the first time to when they leave for their next challenge. It reminds us why we do what we do and being part of the Endeavour family is something we should all celebrate.

See you all again on Monday January 5th 2026.

If you haven't already, please follow our school facebook page - We share lots of news here for students and their parent / carers.



STEM News

We were delighted to welcome parents/carers to a recent STEM NEWS! Generous Sponsorship from Espire Education means that in STEM sessions we are building our school Go-Kart again. Watch this space to keep up to date with our progress.



Food Bank

We are thrilled to share the success of our recent donation drive! Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community, we were able to fill two boxes with food and toiletries for the local food bank. Every contribution made a difference, and we deeply appreciate your support in helping those in need.

A special thank you to the Amelia (seen in the picture below), Alison and student council, who organized the entire initiative and worked hard to make it happen. Your kindness and teamwork truly embody the spirit of giving during Christmas time!

Together, we've shown that even small acts of generosity can create a big impact. Thank you for making this celebration possible!



SEND Inclusion Award

We are delighted to have been awarded the SEND Inclusion Award!

This is the culmination of a tremendous amount of work across the school, led by Mrs Lawton. We are very proud of the bespoke learning experience we are able to offer all our students and to have this formally recognised is fantastic.

Endeavour Christmas Fayre

On 17th December, staff, students, parents and carers came together to hold our annual Christmas Fayre. The event was well organised by staff who not only gave their time on the day supporting the event, but who worked in their own time to produce items to sell on the day, and to collect prizes for the raffle.

There was a fantastic atmosphere in school and the students enjoyed helping out on the stalls. We were joined by former students and parents/carers who held stalls to sell a range of different products. The event raised close to £300 which will be used to keep the tuck shop stocked, well into the New Year. Well done to all involved and we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Beamish Adventures...

On 15th December, we held our annual school trip to Beamish Open Air Museum. It was a fantastic day out and the students were incredibly well behaved and were a credit to Endeavour. This, despite the horrid weather, which did not dampen our spirits!

Beamish at Christmas is always extra special and we look forward to our visit in December 2026.



Wellbeing Coffee Morning with East Durham College Hair and Beauty

We were delighted to welcome parents/carers to a Wellbeing Coffee Morning, held in partnership with East Durham College students.

As part of the morning, students from the college offered relaxing hair washes and styling sessions. This not only gave the parents from Endeavour a chance to enjoy some well-deserved time for themselves but also provided the students with opportunities to develop their skills.

Parents shared how much they enjoyed the chance to unwind and meet others.

A big thankyou to the students for creating such a welcoming atmosphere- it was a lovely , relaxing morning.

Learning Cafe

On 21st January 2026, the academy will be holding a Learning Café. The event will start at 1pm and the focus will be supporting students to revise. All year 11 parents are welcome. Please contact school if you are interested in attending.

