

HMS Great Experiences

At Hexham Middle School, we believe in allowing our children to broaden their horizons and to experience meaningful cultural experiences both within and beyond the local community. We recognize that our pupils must appreciate their local community and all it can offer them, whilst understanding the differences between their own environment and other parts of the region, country and world. We want our pupils to be curious about life beyond school and to be prepared for life as a citizen in a modern world.

Each year group has an opportunity to experience visits or sessions in the following themes: spiritual, humanities, English and the arts, and STEM. We also offer each year group an opportunity to engage in a residential visit as well as many day trips and celebration events throughout the year. Our PSHE/RSE curriculum incorporates many opportunities for pupils to engage in opportunities to strengthen their personal development alongside our approach to careers and engagement with external organisations.

	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
Spiritual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christingle Service • Place of Worship: Synagogue/Rabbi Visit • Carol Service at Hexham Abbey • Judaism Workshops/Visiting Speakers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christingle Service • Place of Worship: Church Visit • Carol Service at Hexham Abbey • Buddhism Workshops/Visiting Speakers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christingle Service • Place of Worship: Gurdwara /Giani Visit • Carol Service at Hexham Abbey • Sikhism Workshops/Visiting Speakers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christingle Service • Place of Worship: Mosque/Imam Visitors • Carol Service at Hexham Abbey • Islam Workshops/Visiting Speakers
PSHE and Personal Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whithaugh Park Residential • Speakers Programme • 21st Century Competencies and Character Challenges • Dave Burns – PSHE workshops incl. • Prime Agency – workshop – online 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newby Wiske Hall, York Residential • Safety Works Visit • Speakers Programme • 21st Century Competencies and Character Challenges • Dave Burns – PSHE workshops incl. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • London Visit – cultural experience • International Visit – France or Spain • Speakers Programme • 21st Century Competencies and Character Challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Borrans Residential • Manchester Experience Tour • International Visit – France or Spain • Safety Works Visit • International Visit - Ski Trip • Speakers Programme

	<p>safety, bullying and mental health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Aid Training – workshops for all • Beamish Visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prime Agency – workshop – online safety, bullying and mental health • First Aid Training – workshops for all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Green Briton Challenge – sustainability • Dave Burns – PSHE workshops incl. knife crime • Road Safety workshop (drama performance) • Prime Agency – workshop – online safety, bullying and mental health • First Aid Training – workshops for all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21st Century Competencies and Character Challenges • Dave Burns – PSHE workshops incl. county lines • NHS careers workshop (drama performance) • Prime Agency – workshop – online safety, bullying and mental health • First Aid Training – workshops for all
STEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sea Cadets Marine Engineering (Newcastle University) • British Science Week • The Story of Earth, interaction session (Newcastle University) • British Birdwatching Week 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STEM Workshop (Newcastle University) • Lillidorei Playground Trip and playground design project • British Science Week • The Story of Earth, interaction session (Newcastle University) • British Birdwatching Week • Holmes INSIGHTS Public Lecture Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls in STEM event • 24 hours in A&E careers workshop • STEM Workshop – chemistry themed (Newcastle University) • Newcastle University Maths Challenge • UK Maths Challenge (UKMT) • British Science Week • Neuroscience The Brain Game (Newcastle University) • Holmes INSIGHTS Public Lecture Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls in STEM event • 24 hours in A&E careers workshop • STEM Chemistry Workshop (Newcastle University) • Newcastle University Maths Challenge • UK Maths Challenge (UKMT) • British Science Week • Holmes INSIGHTS Public Lecture Opportunities

<p>English and The Arts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Experience - Christmas Pantomime • Theatre Experience – production at Queen’s Hall – Michael Morpurgo Storytelling event • Music event – summer performance • Visiting Authors – Elle McNiccol, Cressida Cowell and Phil Earle • Arts Award Bronze – Baltic Visit • World Book Day celebrations • Peter J Murray book launch and signing • Whole school music projects – West African Rhythm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Experience - Christmas Pantomime • Theatre Experience – production at Queen’s Hall • Theatre Experience – visit to Aladdin at Sunderland Empire • Music event – summer performance • Setting Visit – Tynemouth – Kingdom by the Sea • Visiting Authors – Elle McNiccol, Phil Earle and Cressida Cowell • Peter J Murray book launch and signing • Arts Award Bronze – Baltic Visit • World Book Day celebrations • Whole school music projects – West African Rhythm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Experience – backstage tour at Queen’s Hall to launch the drama curriculum! • Music event – HM Marines Band workshop • Visiting Author – LD Lapinski and Phil Earle • Arts Award Bronze – Baltic Visit • World Book Day celebrations • Whole school music projects – West African Rhythm • Peter J Murray book launch and signing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Experience – production at Queen’s Hall • Visiting Author – LD Lapinski and Phil Earle • Music event – Jazz workshops, Ushaw Ensemble • Arts Award Bronze – Baltic Visit • Shakespeare Workshops • World Book Day celebrations • Whole school music projects – West African Rhythm • Peter J Murray book launch and signing
<p>Humanities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring Ancient Egypt – Great North Museum Visit • RE workshops – World Religion Day • Holocaust Memorial Day focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime in the Tyne – Hexham Gaol Visit • World War II – Discovery Museum Visit • RE workshops – World Religion Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring the school site – field work study in geography • RE workshops – World Religion Day • Holocaust Memorial Day focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revolution - Woodhorn Colliery Visit • RE workshops – World Religion Day • Holocaust Memorial Day focus

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Languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Sans Frontiere - Theatre Production • European Day of Languages – Bake Off • European Day of Languages – whole school events • Mandarin School • Themed lunches in the dining hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre Sans Frontiere - Theatre Production • European Day of Languages – Bake Off • European Day of Languages – whole school events • Mandarin School • Themed lunches in the dining hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where can languages take you in the world of work? – careers event • International Visit - France – residential opportunity • European Day of Languages – Bake Off • European Day of Languages – whole school events • Mandarin School • Themed lunches in the dining hall • Futbol Lingo Workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership Spelling Bee • European Day of Languages – Bake Off • European Day of Languages – whole school events • Latin Club • Mandarin School • Themed lunches in the dining hall • Futbol Lingo Workshop

