



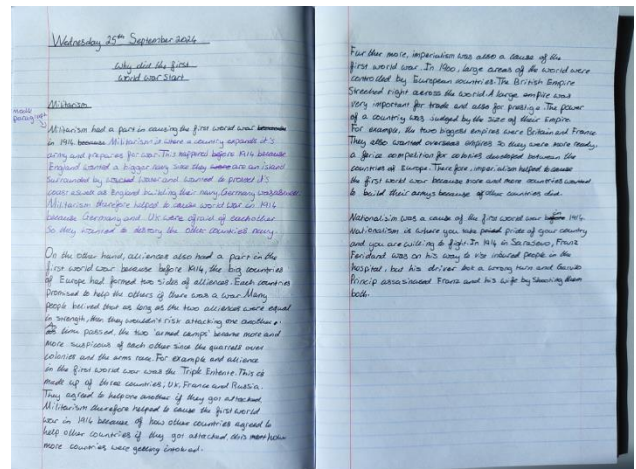
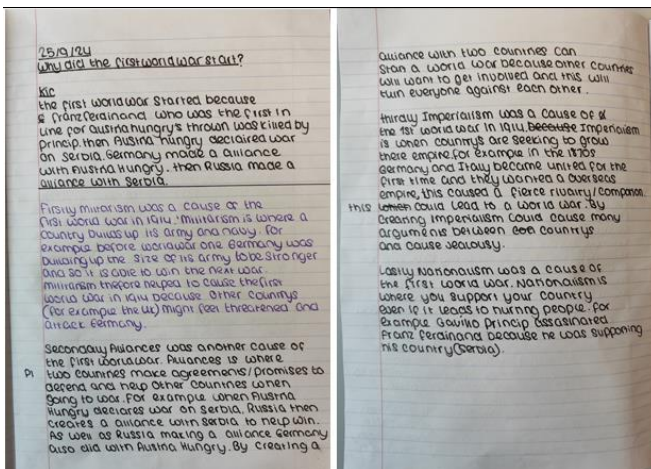
27th September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have had another busy and productive week at Newark Academy. It was lovely to meet so many Year 7 parents/carers at the Meet the Crew Leaders Evening event on Wednesday and reassuring to hear how well our Year 7 students have settled into school and how much confidence and trust you have in us.

In our full crew assemblies this week, all students at Newark Academy have been considering the importance of making informed choices when exposed to information through social media. Students have been encouraged to question how rumours and the spreading of false truths can lead to behaviours and attitudes that could be biased and dangerous. It is important to us, as a whole-school community, that all students view wider society with curiosity in order that they learn more about others and develop a sense of acceptance and inclusion.

My favourite part of the week has been to visit Year 11 and Year 9 lessons and seeing some GREAT work in books. We are instilling into our students a genuine pride for learning and we are seeing these translated into the work they are producing. Please see below the work produced by two of our amazing Year 9 students in their History lessons. You can see some more great examples of work and learning on our Instagram [newarkacademy2](https://www.instagram.com/newarkacademy2)



Praise and Recognition

As you know, excellence is one of our core values and we seek to celebrate everything positive that our students do. This is why, over the next 4 weeks, one student per lesson will receive a teacher nomination for their amazing effort. They are given a raffle ticket by this teacher for completing excellent work in the lesson and are then responsible for placing the ticket in the raffle box in student reception at break or lunch time. Further tickets will be awarded to students for excellent attendance and behaviour. This will result in a prize draw at the end of the half term where the prize will be a pair of air pods.



Exciting Event for Year 7 Students

On Thursday 3rd October we have an organisation coming into school during Period 1 to deliver a performance to Year 7s on road safety. This is a great opportunity for us to ensure our students stay safe when out in the community.

Key Dates for the Half Term

30 th September 2024	Y11 Welcome Evening
10 th October 2024	Y6 Open Evening
11 th October 2024	Nova Trust Inset Day
17 th October 2024	Y13 Achievement Evening
24 th October 2024	Music Recital 1

Polite reminder that **Friday 11th October is an Inset Day** allocated for staff personal development and students will therefore not attend school.

Finally, I would like to thank parents for responding to my plea to avoid parking in the bus bay. However, may I also ask for further support in not parking on the double yellow lines. This is still blocking the entry for the school bus.

We look forward to meeting our parents/carers at the upcoming school events. Each will provide you the opportunity to meet our staff and discuss your children's progress and achievements.

Have a relaxing weekend.



Inma Peña
Headteacher