

SCHOOLS NorthEast Weekly News Round-up – 3 February 2010

Regional news

Durham

- [Students hear tales of Nazi camp](#) (Northern Echo)
- [Top marks for student Jamie](#) (Northern Echo)

Gateshead

- [Fate of Gateshead schools to be decided](#) (Journal)
- [D-day for 3 Gateshead schools facing closure](#) (Evening Chronicle)

Newcastle

- [Re-Cycling so pupils can get on their bikes](#) (Journal)
- [Pupils will make sure piano plays for 24 hours](#) (Journal)
- [Free school meals plan is kicked out](#) (Evening Chronicle)
- [Children's services panel could be chosen by Newcastle parents](#) (Journal)
- [Beech Hill Primary wins top national award](#) (Journal)
- [North east backing for new private university](#) (Journal)

Tyneside

- [Richardson Dees school pupils take trip to taste rural world](#) (Journal)
- [North Tyneside Council's Young Mothers Unit is praised](#) (Journal)
- [Alert over pervert by South Shields school](#) (Evening Chronicle)
- [Flasher struck near primary school](#) (Shields Gazette)

Northumberland

- [Hopes to provide extra £15 for county schools](#) (News Post Leader)
- [Ponteland school trust plans falter](#) (Morpeth Herald)
- [School garage thefts](#) (Morpeth Herald)
- [Fight for Eglington school's pupils is beginning](#) (Journal)

Sunderland

- [Teachers can be life savers](#) (Sunderland Echo)
- [School to go on the run for Pascal](#) (Sunderland Echo)
- [Don't miss school – or a prize](#) (Sunderland Echo)
- [City teachers ready for trip to the States](#) (Sunderland Echo)
- [Helping more pupils enjoy free dinners](#) (Sunderland Echo)

Teesside

- [Pupils teamed up with local artists](#) (Northern Echo)
- [Drug dealers trading near Stockton school are locked up](#) (Evening Gazette)
- [Guisborough pupils enjoy a wild time on 'Going Underground' project at quarry](#) (Evening Gazette)
- [Stokesley Primary School hold Haiti fundraiser](#) (Evening Gazette)
- [Children boost Middlesbrough's recycling programme](#) (Evening Gazette)

National education news

2nd February 2010

- [Pensioner sacked for 'tapping' child on school bus](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [Labour criticised over academies 'U-turn'](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- ['Extreme language exchanges' grow in popularity](#) (Independent)

3rd February 2010

- [Hi-tech battle with exam cheats](#) (BBC News)
- [Public school Olympians: One in three of our 2012 team will have had private education](#) (Daily Mail)
- [Rotherham teacher sacked for 'bullying' bulimia victim](#) (BBC News)
- [Schools are levying more 'holiday fines'](#) (BBC News)
- [Mobile phones drive increase in exam cheating](#) (Guardian)
- [Parents fined over term-time holidays](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [Parents and teachers bid to run new schools](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [Teacher sacked over bullying of colleague who died from bulimia](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [Pupils using 'excuses' for extra exam marks](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [More pupils cheating in exams, says Ofqual](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [6 per cent rise in number of exam cheats](#) (Independent)
- [Alarm sounded over demise of physics teaching](#) (Independent)

4th February 2010

- [More pupils cheating in GCSE and A-level exams with use of mobile phones](#) (Times)
- [A-level physics is not available at one in four schools](#) (Times)
- [Parents should be able to set up academies anywhere, say heads](#) (Times)
- [More cheating – and that's just the teachers](#) (Independent)
- [Growing scourge of hi-tech exam cheats: Pupils smuggle in mobiles and MP3s to get answers](#) (Daily Mail)
- [Academies demand to teach 'banned' elite courses](#) (Guardian)
- [Academies 'should have more freedom'](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [Girls to receive pregnancy tests at school](#) (Daily Telegraph)

5th February 2010

- [Fears over primary school pupil's communication skills](#) (BBC News)
- [Take me to your leader: sci-fi fan counts down to NAHT blast off](#) (TES)
- [Planned pay hike put on ice](#) (TES)
- [Senseless census strikes back](#) (TES)
- [Is ignoring white working-class cultural identity making them underachievers?](#) (TES)
- [Losing cash ring-fence could put Sure Start at risk, claim managers](#) (TES)
- [Mums keep your 'slovenly' PJs off the playground, says teachers](#) (TES)
- [Asbo Records to turn pupils into pos stars](#) (TES)
- [Faith schools take flak as equality bill debate heats up](#) (TES)
- [The tall tale of how teacher Taffy Thomas turned storytelling laureate](#) (TES)
- [3 Rs package is special delivery](#) (TES)
- [Global franchises could give Teachers TV the X Factor](#) (TES)
- [Leaders' college targets 'racism culture'](#) (TES)
- [Truancy mother given three-month curfew](#) (TES)

- [Tests need to gauge ability, says Sats boycott leader](#) (TES)
- [Your cheating art: penalties for exam frauds increase by 6.2%](#) (TES)
- [Who says the WI is out of the loop? Today's youth answers its call to knit](#) (TES)
- [Union lost personal data of 6,000 members](#) (TES)
- ['Assessment only' route into profession](#) (TES)
- [A stiletto-clad stomp over western stereotypes](#) (TES)
- ['Free schools' charity shows support for admissions lotteries](#) (TES)
- [Rapid expansion of academy scheme threatens quality, warn head](#) (TES)
- [One-year classroom ban for teacher who 'ridiculed and humiliated' pupils](#) (TES)
- [Gifted & Talented tsar damns Government over yet another overhaul](#) (TES)
- [Academies 'want to teach IGCSEs'](#) (BBC News)
- [School staff could qualify as teachers without formal training](#) (Guardian)
- ['Slovenly' parents wearing pyjamas on the school run](#) (Daily Telegraph)
- [School to close with 9 days notice after RBS withdraws support](#) (Daily Telegraph)

6th February 2010

- [Teachers 'lack violence training'](#) (BBC News)
- [Anger as RBS pulls plug on girls school](#) (Independent)
- [New teachers 'can't deal with classroom violence'](#) (Independent)

7th February 2010

- [Conservatives plan school powers shift from councils](#) (BBC News)
- [Headteachers say Labour's £1bn cuts will decapitate schools](#) (Guardian)
- [Private schools plan to set up university](#) (Times)
- [Inspectors say schools fail to protect pupils and staff from asbestos](#) (Independent)

8th February 2010

- [How do you make children eat healthily? Lock them in](#) (Independent)
- [Let Sikh pupils wear ceremonial daggers, judge says](#) (Guardian)
- [Call to allow Sikhs to wear ceremonial daggers](#) (Times)
- [Sikh 'ceremonial daggers' should be allowed in schools, says judge](#) (Daily Telegraph)

9th February 2010

- [Online safety push for five-year-olds](#) (BBC News)
- [Teachers 'need better qualifications'](#) (BBC News)
- [New award recognises schools teaching both religious and non-religious belief](#) (Guardian)
- [Raise the bar for teacher recruits, schools committee says](#) (Guardian)
- [Pressure on university places intense for A-level students](#) (Daily Telegraph)