

School outing to Souther Lighthouse

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Durham Chinese School takes pride in encouraging links between its pupils and students and the local community. Learning more about local history in the Durham area and involvement in the local community is considered important.

大家需要互相了解，才能维持友好关系。

For this reason the School has educational membership of The National Trust. In May 2003 teachers, parents, pupils and students accompanied by members of CANER attended a school outing to Cragside House in Northumberland, home of the First Lord Armstrong, innovator, engineer, industrialist and scientific genius.

In 2005 a school outing was arranged to Souther Lighthouse on the Durham coast north of Sunderland. Souther was the first lighthouse in the world to use electric current when it was opened in 1871 to guide shipping away from the craggy rocks between the mouth of the River Tyne and the mouth of the River Wear. As well as being a focal point for cliff top walks along "The Leas" and "Whitburn Coastal Park" it is important for schools and others interested in the history of technology and the environment.

It was intended that the school's visit to the lighthouse would be supplemented by flying kites along the cliff tops and other games but in the event the very strong winds on the day of the visit prevented this. Nevertheless some 50 members of the school, parents and teachers had a very enjoyable day even if the picnic lunch had to be enjoyed in a marquee tent which certainly felt as if it might blow out to sea!

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