



Northgate Council Bulletin

Improving Northgate by giving pupils a voice ...

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What have we been up to?

Read some of our recent blogs:

- [Northgate's Eco Award Success](#)
- [Northgate welcomes Primary Schools for Easter Maths activity day](#)
- [Primary School pupils experience a French Easter](#)
- [Team Maths Challenge 2019](#)
- [Sporting Success](#)

Northgate News

Missed our last Northgate Bulletin? Follow this link to read about all the exciting activities and news from last month. [April Bulletin](#)

Charity Corner

Our Social Team will soon start to organise fundraising events for our summer term fundraiser. They are putting together a shortlist and brief outline of charities for students to vote on during PART lesson. The chosen charity or charities will be revealed once votes have been counted.



Want to keep up to date with all the goings on at Northgate?

'Like' our Northgate High School Facebook page (@northgatedereham)



Follow us on Twitter:
@NGateDereham, @NgateCouncil



Upcoming events

Make sure you know what is coming up at Northgate.

1st May

Year 11 Fine Art Exam

2nd May

Year 11 Graphics Exam (until 3rd May)

Year 11 Textiles Exam Group A (until 3rd May)

Spring Showcase - 7.00pm

3rd May

Year 9 Vaccinations

7th May

Year 9 Exams (until 10th May)

Year 11 Textiles Exam Group B (until 8th May)

SSP Angling Competition Years 7, 8 & 9 at Barford Lakes

13th May

Main GCSE Exams begin

15th May

SSP Athletics qualifier Years 7, 8, 9 & 10

16th May

SEND Coffee Morning 9.00am - 10.00am

22nd May

Mid Norfolk Area Athletics Years 7, 8, 9 & 10

24th May

Break up for Half Term





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Crisp Packet Recycling

Northgate's School Council continues their drive on recycling and helping the environment. We have been accepted as a crisp packet collection point, and similar to the pen scheme, the more crisp packets we collect the more money we raise for our charity - Cancer Research UK. Once collected, the crisp packets are sent away and separated by plastic type, cleaned, and extruded into plastic pellets to make new recycled products. There will be boxes in the main hall for empty crisp packets to be deposited (please ensure they are not folded up), any brand of crisp packet is accepted. We're sure this is another scheme Northgate students will back strongly and contribute to in a positive way.



House Competition

Since the last bulletin there have been points added for the rugby and hockey House matches as well as the Year 7 Maths Easter egg hunt. As we start the last term there are still plenty of opportunities for everyone to get involved in the competition whether this is in subject specific events, sports competitions, gaining merits or sports day and the Northgate Games. House pride is at stake so get involved and contribute in any way you can!

1st - Hawking 9919 pts	2nd - Holmes 9106 pts
3rd - Attenborough 8797 pts	4th - Rowling 8608 pts

Merit Update

Congratulations to students for the bonus merits awarded from the second half term - 1415 to those who had 100% attendance, 558 for >95% attendance and 1980 to those with no negatives. Hawking maintain their lead in the merit competition.

Hawking	Attenborough	Holmes	Rowling
65.65	59.68	58.77	55.44

Follow us!

Lots of departments have their own Twitter Pages - why not follow them to keep up to date with what is going on?
 @EnglishNGate, @ngate6music, @NGateLHub,
 @DesignNorthgate, @NgateGeography,
 @NothgateELF, @Ngatehistory, NorthgateSport

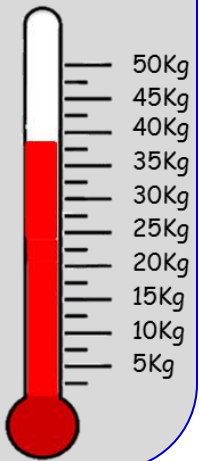
Thank you!

A big thank you to all those who donated books for our stall at Tesco Dereham during March and to those who bought books from the stall. We raised an amazing **£743.03!** The money raised will be going towards resources to support learners and will include items for a sensory garden and indoor space to promote student wellbeing.



Pen Recycling Update

We can now reveal the total for our BIC pen recycling so far is **38Kg**. Thank you to those who have brought in pens. Keep them coming, remember this is raising money for Cancer Research UK as well.





In the News

Here are some recent news items from our website and local press:

- [Dereham Times - Northgate High School pupils awarded for eco project](#)
- [Dereham Times - High School students celebrate European links at arts festival](#)
- [That's TV Norfolk - European Arts Festival celebrations](#)
- [Dereham Times - Tesco book stall raises money for Dereham school](#)

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Photo Time!

Here are some recent photos of events from our blogs, Twitter and Facebook page



Time for Tweets

Here are our twitter highlights from April

- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · Apr 2
We were delighted to be awarded Highly Commended at the Norwich and Norfolk Eco Awards last week at St Andrew's Hall. You can read about the special evening in our latest blog: northgate.norfolk.sch.uk/northgates-eco... @NgateDereham @Ben_garrod #NNEcoAwards
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · Apr 4
Today we received a cheque from Tesco for £743.03 which was raised via the book table during March. The money will be going towards items for a sensory garden and other resources to support students and promote well-being. A big thank you to everyone who donated or purchased books
- ELF** @NorthgateELF · Apr 23
@NgateDereham @loubeasley91 @NgateCouncil @BrecklandPolice It's great to see our students return. We continue to support their safety outside of the school gates both on arriving and departing school. Students are reminded of the responsibility when crossing and cycling. 🚗 🚲 🚗 🚲
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · Apr 24
Work has begun on creating the body for the school Greenpower F24 car build. A big thank you to the team at Ashtons Classics, who are working with us to get the car ready for race day in June. @Greenpowertrust #STEM @NorthgateELF
- ELF** @NorthgateELF · Apr 12
@Greenpowertrust @loubeasley91 @NgateDereham The F24 car is on its next phase and beginning to take shape 🏁 looking forward to June on the racetrack. 🏁

- Northgate Sport** @NorthgateSport · Apr 2
A brilliant game for the final of the @NorSchoolsRFU bowl @wymondhamrugby. @WyHighPe came out deserved winners 22-19 in a belter of a contest. Our Yr11s were fantastic showing true grit, determination and flair. Last game for Northgate was a good one gents. #TeamNorthgate
- ELF** @NorthgateELF · 20h
@NgateDereham @loubeasley91 @EllenMaryGarden @CultivationSt It looks like it's going to be a bright sunny ☀️ Easter 🐣 weekend. The little family doing well and keeping together with their mum 🐣🐣🐣🐣🐣🐣. Have a nice Easter weekend everyone. 🐣
- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · Apr 1
We've been accepted as a collection point for the #Walkers crisp packet recycling scheme, any brand of crisp packet is accepted – collection boxes in the main hall. The more crisp packets we collect the more money we raise for our charity + help the environment. @NgateDereham
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · Apr 11
Wow – 3000 podcasts watched already this year, keep it up! Congratulations to students for their efforts so far and the great turn out this week at the revision sessions in school. Everyone is certainly making the most of the support available. More sessions next week. #revision
- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · Apr 22
Today is #EarthDay 🌍. We are doing our bit @NgateDereham to help the environment with the @TerraCycleUK pen recycling and crisp pack recycling schemes. Keep the pens and crisp packets coming in and do your bit too! #recycle #DoYourBit #Environment
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · Apr 3
Recently our STEM club took part in a session entitled 'funny circuits'. The pupils made circuits from a variety of objects and substances, including salt slime, pencil graphite, pipe cleaners and cutlery #STEM #Science

School Council & Team Council Updates

The School Council recently met with Governors on 'Governor's Day' to share with them what they had done over the last few months. The Governors were impressed with their enthusiasm, commitment and drive to improve Northgate further, putting their discussions and thoughts into action. The School Council also held a meeting with the Edwards and Blake Area Manager and the Café North Manager. They put forward ideas and suggestions for reducing the amount of plastic in Café North further as well as discussing the possibility of smoothies being sold and future themed menus. We are pleased that Edwards and Blake are happy to work with students and listen to their suggestions.

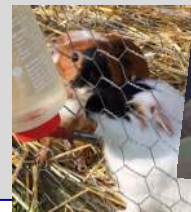


Environment Team: A successful 'Big Clean Up' was held just before Easter. A big thank you to Mrs Simms for organising the event and to those who got involved. The Environment Team continue their work on making Northgate a litter free site.

The ELF welcomes new arrivals

Over the Easter holidays we welcomed some new arrivals to the ELF in the form of lots of little ducklings. Having spent time in the incubator, the eggs hatched as we broke up from school and the new ducklings have been cared for by Mr MacDonald with his daily visits to the ELF. They have certainly settled in very quickly and are finding their feet with parents watching out for them. We are sure the ELF Squad and students alike are looking forward to meeting them and watching them grow. We have also welcomed two guinea pigs who are getting on well with our original guinea pig and rabbits.

The summer weather means an opportunity to start growing some produce in the ELF and for students to learn more about horticulture. It will also be time to prepare Northgate's entry for the Royal Norfolk Show garden competition. If anyone is interested in learning more or helping out, please see Mr MacDonald.



Good Luck

As we enter the GCSE exam season, we wish all our Year 11s the best of luck in their exams (and Year 10s for their English exam). The time has come to demonstrate what you have learned over your time at Northgate. All of the staff and your families are right behind you. You can do this!



Northgate App

The Northgate High School app run by Parent Apps is great for both parents and pupils to keep up to date with the school and the events, trips and activities coming up. Full of useful school information such as events, term dates, notifications, letters and more, parents can stay informed and plan ahead. Download now from the [Apple Store](#) or [Google Play!](#)

