



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:

- [Geographers put fieldwork skills to the test](#)
- [Le Ciné Club - Film Review](#)
- [Celebrating the Class of 2018](#)
- [Emerging Schools Rugby Festival Win](#)
- [Northgate Remembers](#)
- [Northgate Scientists compete in Top of the Bench competition](#)

You can check out all our blogs on the Northgate website [here](#).

Upcoming events

Make sure you know what is coming up at Northgate.

2nd December

Northgate stall at Lights Switch-on

4th December

Year 10 Art and Design London visit

6th December

Year 11 + Sixth Form Drama Trip – Curious Incident in London

12th December

Christmas Dinner + Year 9 Aladdin Panto trip to Norwich Theatre Royal

13th December

Christmas Showcase 7pm

15th December

Music composition recording day

17th December

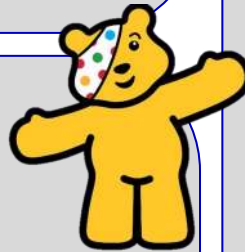
Year 11 RM day (selected students)

18th December

Last day of Autumn Term

Charity Corner

A big thank you to the Social Team for organising the fundraising efforts for Children in Need. It was great to see the school come together, baking and selling cakes, merchandise and getting involved in beat the keeper, sumo wrestling and our book swap fair. A fantastic £947.96 was raised in total!



Thank you also to those who contributed to this year's Poppy Appeal. The total for this will be revealed shortly.



Northgate News

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

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





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In the News

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

- [Dereham Times - Be their guest for production of Beauty and the Beast](#)
- [Dereham Times - Remembrance Day marked across Dereham](#)
- [That's TV Norfolk - Dereham School put on Remembrance Service](#)

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 November

- Northgate** @NgateDereham · Nov 9
This morning we held our annual remembrance service to honour and remember those who fought for us and those who continue to do so. Thank you to everyone who attended, and to those who were involved creating such a touching service. #RemembranceDay2018 #LestWeForget @PoppyLegion
- ELF** @NorthgateELF · Nov 6
@NgateDereham We have have created an exhibition to showcase our students response to reflect on their thoughts of Remembrance, in this commemorative year to mark ending of WW1. "Lest We Forget"
- Northgate Sport** @NorthgateSport · 15h
Over 260 pupils representing their house this week in the annual football and netball competitions held at lunchtimes. Great to see our pupils embracing the competitive spirit. Final scores: Holmes 550 points, Attenborough 625, Hawking & Rowling 675. #TeamNorthgate
- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · 17h
A big thank you to @NgateDereham students, staff and parents for contributing towards our @BBCIN fundraising efforts over the last week. The bake sale went down a treat once again today. We will be revealing the final total raised next week. #Pudsey 🐶 #ChildrenInNeed 🧸 #fundraisers

- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · Nov 13
During Anti-Bullying Week @ABAOnline are creating a wall of respect: anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-... At @NgateDereham we have decided to create our own Wall of Respect and are asking students to pledge to show respect to one another. After all, this is one of our 5 Rs. #ChooseRespect ❤️
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · 21h
Year 7 and 8 pupils have been getting creative today for our Mind 'Crafternoon', making Christmas themed creations in preparation for the Dereham Town Christmas Lights Switch On Crafts include Baking Jars, Christmas cards, Salt Dough and lots more. #crafternoon #Christmas
- Northgate Sport** @NorthgateSport · Nov 13
An impressive performance by the Year 9 Rugby Team. They showed power, pace, intelligence and great slight of hand to score several tries against @ac_kes who tackled manfully throughout. Keep a lookout for this team, they are going places! #allcourtgame #TeamNorthgate
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- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · Nov 15
Today is #StopSpeakSupport ❤️ Day. Together we can make the internet a better place to be by being UPSTANDERS not bystanders. Will you help us to tackle cyberbullying? #AntiBullyingWeek ❤️. @NgateDereham @ABAonline



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BIC Writing Instrument Recycling Scheme

As a Community Champion for the BIC Pen Recycling scheme, Northgate is getting the community involved. Collection boxes have now been delivered to Dereham Library, Dereham Sixth Form, Toftwood Infants + Junior, Scarning Primary, Beeston Primary, Garvestone Primary, Grove House Infants and King's Park Infants. Bring along any old or broken pens, highlighters, markers, correction fluid pens and mechanical pencils and put them in one of the boxes. We are raising money for Cancer Research UK through this scheme as well as recycling the pens. You can read more about it [here](#).



House Competition

Over the last month we have had house competitions in football and netball as well as a French vocab competition in Year 7. It was great to see over 260 pupils representing their house in the sporting competitions held at lunchtimes. Pupils embraced the competitive spirit. Final scores: Holmes 550 points, Attenborough 625, Hawking & Rowling 675. Here are the current standings in the competition which also includes the House quiz and merits.

1st - Hawking 3152 pts	2nd - Rowling 2928 pts
3rd - Holmes 2923 pts	4th - Attenborough 2919 pts

Merit Update

Congratulations for all the merits awarded over the last month. Hawking have maintained their lead in the merit competition. Look out soon for merit deals you might like to take advantage of. The next set of merit certificates will also be awarded before Christmas.

Hawking	Holmes	Attenborough	Rowling
23.77	23.23	22.44	22.03

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

Getting to Know You ...

In October we featured Miss Breeze, Mrs Kaufmann-Ward, Mr Newman and Miss Titchen in our staff profiles. In December we find out more about Mrs Chisnall, Ms Moran and Mrs Chapman. You can view all the profiles [here](#). They also go on our on our Twitter and Facebook page.



Website of the Month

With Year 11 mocks on the horizon in the New Year, it's the perfect time to remind students of a fantastic website we subscribe to - [GCSEPod](#). With podcasts you can download for all subjects and watch on the go. It is ideal for small bursts of revision.





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Northgate Remembers

On Friday 9th November, Northgate held a very special Remembrance Service to mark 100 years since the Armistice. It was a real community service with guests invited, including Mayor Hilary Bushell, the Revd. Canon Sally Theakston, members of Dereham Crafters, members of the Royal British Legion, representatives from the military, a piper and bugler, pupils from local primary schools and musicians from Northgate and Dereham Sixth Form.

A big thank you to all involved in the organising of the event. You can read more in our [blog](#) which also has a link to the 'That's Norfolk TV' piece and Dereham Times article.



School Council Business & Team Council Updates

The School Council have had some really positive meetings so far with lots of discussions and ideas put forward. We would like to make students and parents aware that the money raised from Northgate's stall at the Dereham Lights Switch-On will be split 4 ways, going to Dementia Friends, MIND, Northgate's School Council and a charity chosen by students.

Members of the School Council put forward charities for students to vote within tutor groups. We look forward to seeing many of you at this fantastic community event.

The Rewards Team have suggested that we look at creating merit deals with some of the rewards available. We have taken this on board and can now offer some great deals for students. You can see them along with our catalogue [here](#).

The Social Team did a fantastic job organising and promoting Children In Need. Their meetings will focus on the next fundraiser and coming up with new money raising ideas.

The Environment Team continue to look at how we can improve the school environment. We are committed to reducing litter and continue our drive on recycling, reducing plastic waste and making students more aware of the environmental impacts.

National Anti-Bullying Week #Choose Respect

Between 12th and 16th November, Northgate recognised Anti-Bullying week with the theme for this year being #ChooseRespect. PART lesson focussed on respect, one of our 5Rs. We looked at what respect means, respectfully disagreeing with others, how to show respect, with students pledging to show more respect. Students also looked at Stop, Speak, Support - 3 simple steps for young people who witness cyberbullying to follow. It aims to empower us to stop cyberbullying, by speaking out and seeking support. Students pledged to be upstanders as opposed to bystanders, making the internet a friendlier place for everyone. Follow this [link](#) to see more from Anti-Bullying week with the posters and videos we shared on social media.

