



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:

- [Anti-Bullying Training](#)
- [SSP Angling Competition](#)
- [Updates from the ELF](#)
- [French Film Club Review - A Beautiful Mind](#)
- [Keep a Poem in your Pocket](#)
- [Northgate Rugby Report 2017-18](#)

If you've not seen our blogs before head over to the [website](#) to take a look - we've posted over 100 blogs since April 2017!

Charity Corner

Thank you and well done to those who helped raise £272 for Read for Good in our sponsored read-a-thon!

The charity for the summer term will be revealed at a later date.



Northgate News

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

Upcoming events

Make sure you know what is coming up at Northgate.

6th June

Summer Exhibition

13th June

Rewards Trip, Stand up to Bullying Day + Year 10 Parents Evening

18th June

Carnegie Celebration Morning, Year 10 Geography Trip to Cambridge + Sports Awards Evening

19th June

Norfolk School Games Angling Finals + English Excellence Day

20th June

Year 10 Geography Trip to Cambridge

21st June

Year 5 Numeracy and Literacy Project + Norfolk School Games Athletics Finals

26th June

Year 8 Walsingham Trip

27th + 28th June

School Band at the Norfolk Show

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:

- [Athletics Success](#)
- [Letter regarding uniform](#)
- [Letter regarding payment for educational items and trips](#)

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 May

- Northgate** @NgateDereham · May 14
As part of Mental Health Awareness Week and in line with this week's exams, we will be releasing a series of posters throughout the week to help students with exam stress. First up, a very useful poster on breathing techniques to help you relax.
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · May 3
Dee and Cameron have joined Mrs Galley and Mrs Kaufmann-Ward at a Dementia Awareness course running this afternoon as continued partnership between Northgate and the Dereham Dementia Friends!
- Northgate Sport** @NorthgateSport · May 15
Great day @WDDSP Athletics Championships. Many excellent performances and qualifiers for @NorfolkSchGames finals. Details to follow #sport #Competition #Athletics
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · May 18
A good luck message from our students, Harry and Megan, to the royal couple themselves @KensingtonRoyal @ClarenceHouse @BBC #RoyalWedding2018
- Design Northgate** @DesignNorthgate · May 21
A successful afternoon was had by @ScarningPrimary in today's Year 5 CAD/CAM workshop creating monster related door signs with Miss Lock.

- Northgate LHUB** @NGateLHub · May 3
Today we held our first ever Poetry Open Mic. Well done to our top performer Maddie, as well as runners up Jimmy, Holly and Freya. @NgateDereham
- Northgate Sport** @NorthgateSport · May 8
A good days angling @BarfordTackle All four @NorthgateSport teams competed well finishing 13th, 10th, 4th and 1st with a catch of 21lb 11oz
- Northgate** @NgateDereham · 18h
Today is Europe day, therefore it is only fitting that our staff profile for this week is Head of Modern Foreign Languages, Mr Everett. To see all the profiles posted so far visit: northgate.norfolk.sch.uk/staff-profiles/
- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · May 15
Great meeting with @EdwardsandBlake yesterday with members of the School Council sampling new food items. Looking forward to the new menu after half term and the next themed menu day! Thanks for getting students involved. @NgateDereham #studentvoice #food #menu
- Northgate Council** @NgateCouncil · May 17
After the success of the 'Taste of China' day in February and 'Taste of Cuba' day in March, Café North will be putting on their next themed menu - 'Taste of Brazil' on Wednesday 23rd May. Please see the menu attached. @NgateDereham @EdwardsandBlake #newflavours #newcultures
- ELF** @NorthgateELF · May 8
@NgateCouncil @NgateDereham Oh Deer! The Bank Holiday is over and someone forgot to go home. I had a pleasant start to the day, cutting free Bambi and releasing him to get on with his day. It's clear that everyone enjoys visiting Northgate 🐇🌲



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Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

We have relaunched our Anti-Bullying Ambassador scheme at Northgate. Coordinated by Mrs Holt and Dr Gollop, a dedicated team of students from Year 7 to 10 will work together on how to tackle bullying and educate students. They will review the anti-bullying policy and plan resources for PART lesson and anti-bullying week. Some Ambassadors have already been to a training day and come back with lots of ideas (read our blog about the event [here](#)). Knowing that there is someone you can turn to if you are being bullied is important and if you don't feel you can speak to a teacher straight away, please find one of the Ambassadors – you can spot them wearing special badges. They will be able to listen to your concerns and then pass on to teachers or Heads of Year.

House Competition

We're getting close to the exciting finale of the House Competition but there's plenty of points on offer with Sports Day and Northgate Games still to come as well as Summer House Matches. Well done to everyone who has taken part in competitions and to departments for organising them. Try to get involved and help contribute to your team's total!

Here are the current standings in the competition.

1st - Holmes 6896 pts	2nd - Rowling 6592 pts
3rd - Hawking 6085 pts	4th - Attenborough 5820 pts

Merit Update

Congratulations to 64 Year 7s who gained 10 bonus merits for all 'Excellents' or 'Goods' on their profiles and to 47 Year 8s, 62 Year 9s and 68 Year 11s who did the same on their Summer Screening!

Current average merits:

Hawking	Attenborough	Holmes	Rowling
71.61	70.66	69.53	67.63

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

Website of the Month

Technology student is a great website for students studying Materials Technology. It contains links to past papers, revision cards, worksheets, revision videos and more. All of the subject knowledge required is on the website as exam themes at the end of the sections. Want to find out more? Visit www.technologystudent.com or speak to Mr Stewart or Mr Ellen.



Well done to Year 11s so far in their GCSE exams. They are working incredibly hard having already completed exams in many subjects. It's now just two weeks to go and we're sure they're looking forward to their leavers afternoon on June 15th!

Good luck for the remaining exams!





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World Record Attempt

Northgate is excited to once again be taking part in Dereham Carnival on 22nd July. The last two years have been fantastic with students and staff coming together to create amazing floats (including the winning one in 2016) and stalls on the recreation ground. We will once again be taking over the tennis courts, promoting our great school and offering lots of activities for people to take part in. One of which is a Guinness World Record attempt! We will be aiming to create a piece of art work with as many hand prints on it in an hour as we can. The record currently stands at 1401 handprints. This record attempt along with the other stalls will raise some money for Dementia Friends and also to making improvements around the school site including the painting of some murals in our corridors. We hope lots of you can join in the fun this year - see Mrs Galley or Dr Hone to find out more.

School Council Business & Team Council Updates

We continue to work alongside Edwards & Blake, our canteen contractors. In our recent meeting, students had the chance to try some new menu items including homemade sausage rolls, tuna and cheese melt baguettes, breaded chicken wrap with sweet chilli salsa and sandwich boxes.

They gave their thoughts on the proposed menu for after half term (which you can see [here](#)) as well as talking about packaging and reducing the use of plastic. They have also suggested a themed menu for after half term, following the success of the 'Taste of China', 'Taste of Cuba' and 'Taste of Brazil' menus so keep an eye out for the theme! Thank you to Edwards and Blake for involving our students in the decision making and taking their thoughts on board.



Getting to know you...

We have a great group of teachers and support staff at Northgate. Each week on Twitter and Facebook page we'll be finding out more about some of them (who inspires them in their subject, a random fact and of course a subject joke!) In May it was the turn of Mr Everett on Europe Day, Mrs Simms from the Science Department and Miss Theobald on National Numeracy Day. To see all the profiles posted so far, follow the link [here](#).



In June it's the turn of Dr Barrett, Mrs Mottley, Mrs Woods and Mr Oldfield.



Easy Fundraising

A great way to help Northgate's School Council raise funds to aid projects we would like to complete within school. Shop with any of over 3,300 well-known retailers via the easyfundraising website and a percentage of what you spend is passed to Northgate's School Council at no extra cost to you. Retailers include Amazon, M&S, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco, and more. Please register to support - follow this [link](#) and start shopping!

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](#)!

