Northgate Council Bulletin

Improving Northgate by giving pupils a voice

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This brings Northgate's Number Day total to over £3000 since 2008 - amazing!

amazing work of the NSPCC and Childline.

Upcoming events Make sure you know what is coming up at Northgate.

Due to the current situation, event dates have not been included. however keep an eye out on the school website and social media for any updates.

Home Learning

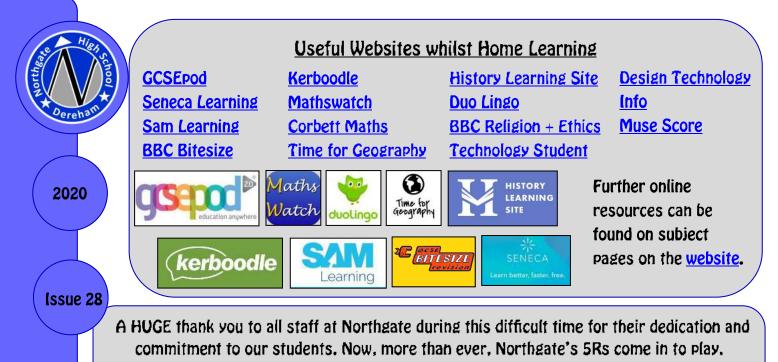
How our students learn is changing due to the coronavirus situation. however there are plenty of resources available for Northgate students to ensure they are able to continue their learning and work across their subjects:

- Visit the 'Learning' section of the school website, where you can find a page for each department. These pages include curriculum maps. core knowledge organisers, links to subject specific websites and more.

- Visit Show my Homework many teachers will be setting work. assignments, quizzes etc here.
- If you are stuck, please email your teacher from your school email account. Staff email addresses can be found on the subject pages mentioned above.

Don't forget there are a whole host of great websites to help with your learning (website list on page 3).





Resilience - Readiness - Responsibility - Reflectiveness - Respect Thank you to parents/carers and pupils for your kind messages - it means a lot to all of us!



Pi Day - Message from a Record Breaker

The Maths Department celebrated Pi Day (14th March) a day early this year due to it taking place at the weekend. We were fortunate enough to receive a special video message from David Thomas, who in 1998 broke the Guinness World Record for reciting Pi to 22,500 digits! He talked about Northgate's 5Rs (Resilience, Respect, Reflectiveness, Readiness + Responsibility). how these relate to his work as a speaker. travelling the world and coaching people in public speaking, and how important they are at school and the outside world. Thank you David, for taking the time to send this important message to our students. You can see it in full here.

Attendance Matters

Congratulations to 7KM, 7HR, 8AS, 8AG, 9HM, 9CSU, 10JSM and 11SC1 who all won the attendance trophies during March. At Northgate we know the importance of good attendance and the positive impact it has on the progress of our students.

<u>Merit Update</u>

Please don't panic if you haven't spent your merits already. On our return to school, you will have the opportunity to spend them, even if this ends up being in September you won't lose out as you've all worked so hard to earn them! Also, merit certificates and badges will be awarded for merits earned to date. The house merit competition is below:

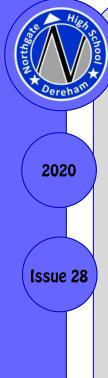
<u>Hawking</u>	Attenborough	Holmes	<u>Rowling</u>
55.01	53.62	51.95	51.35

Recycling Update

Thank you to those who are continuing to support the recycling programmes. To date we have collected 132Kg of pens and 137Kg of crisp packets, saving them from going to landfill and raising over £360 for Cancer Research UK. Keep collecting ready for when we return to school.







Northgate Triumphs in Subsea STEM National Competition

Back in November a team of Year 9s entered a STEM robot competition in Norwich. They were named Regional winners and as well as receiving a special trophy, they were invited to take part in the National competition in Aberdeen. The day of the competition arrived and the team gathered in a conference room at P&J Live in Aberdeen with the other 5 competing schools (from Bristol, Manchester, Newcastle, Glasgow and Inverness) as well as the event judges, sponsors and hosts. Maddie says, "We were all so nervous, yet so ready to begin. Our preparation was immense, so a skim over Connor and Dylan's high quality research was all it took to get us going and into our element."

The task was to design, build and market an ROV of their own (remotely operated under water vehicle) and form a company. The Northgate team came up with 'ROVolutionary', having already predetermined their roles: Connor - project manager, Dylan - head engineer, Lewis and Keira - programmers and Prisha and Maddie - marketers. Projects would be judged thoroughly on build, design, functionality, teamwork, marketing and more.

Northgate took to the stage with as much confidence as they could muster. They all delivered their lines clearly and with much enthusiasm. As they left the spotlight, they

listened to their advertisement play on the big screen. Once the rest of the competing schools had completed their presentations it was time for judging. The team sat nervously as they awaited the results, and in no time they had arrived. Northgate's team received lots of support and encouragement from Mrs Simms and Mr Nicholson. To the team's surprise, they were announced the WINNERS! A huge well done to all involved. You can read the full blog from Maddie <u>here</u>.



Northgate crowned Eco Award Winners

Thursday 5th March saw members of Northgate High School's Environment Team and School Council head to St Andrew's Hall for the Norwich and Norfolk Eco Awards 2020.

During the ceremony the students were delighted to be presented with their special Eco Award trophy and certificate. After receiving Highly Commended from the judges at the awards last year, they were determined to win and during the past year have put into place further initiatives at the school. The competition was tough but the judges said,

'Northgate High School's Environment Team display a fantastic commitment to environmental issues and are using their voice to spread the message as far as they can. Students are actively involved at every stage of projects and are gaining important skills in how to plan projects and convey their ideas at meetings with senior members of staff and governors.'

Miss Theobald, School Council Coordinator said, 'To receive the Eco Award this year is a fantastic achievement for the school. It recognises the enthusiasm and passion of both students and staff in being more environmentally aware and the positive impact we can all have, however small. We are excited for the future and already



have some ideas in mind for further projects.'

You can read the blog in full <u>here</u> and see more photos from the Awards Ceremony.

