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## North Walsham Teacher's 'Guerrilla Gardening' Brightening Up The Town

Newly-planted gardens have been appearing in North Walsham, after a spell of 'guerrilla gardening' undertaken by a member of staff at North Walsham High School.

With the help of local businesses, Simon Weal has created a number of new gardens at the school, as well as one in the centre of the town, opposite the library.

Mr Weal enlisted the support of North Walsham Garden Centre, Spring Floral Designs and North Walsham in Bloom, all of which contributed plants, materials, advice and practical help, to enable him to create the new gardens.

"I love gardening, and as I don't have a garden of my own, I thought I would give my time to creating patches which everybody could enjoy, both at the school and in the town," said Mr Weal.

"I believe that if you start to transform patches of ground into something more attractive, everybody feels better about their surroundings, and people are less likely to behave anti-socially."

Ben Youngs of North Walsham



Garden Centre, which donated plants and shrubs, agreed that pride in surroundings was important. "We need to get young people interested in plants and encourage the younger generation to take a pride in the town. Helping Simon transform these patches of land was an easy decision for us to make."

Marion Lane from North Walsham in Bloom added, "Simon is so enthusiastic – he never stops,

he is doing something for the community all the time. I first met him in the park when he was out litter-picking, and it has been a pleasure to help his efforts both practically with plants and a water container, and by giving advice as needed."

Mr Weal's new gardens have been planted in various locations on the school grounds, as well as on a patch of land off New Road, opposite the library.



Year 11 BTEC Health & Social group went on a creative activity afternoon at East Ruston Primary School as part of their coursework project.

Our students taught the children aged 6-7 how to make bunting, desk tidies, Mexican Gods eyes, decorative wreaths and collages using wool, glitter and felt. The children got to take their creations home. The children and staff made us very welcome.

## Diary dates

### Not to miss

**25th - 29th May** Half Term

**2nd June** 11am-12:30pm  
Year 7 Celebration Assembly

**3rd June** 11am-12:30pm  
Year 8 Celebration Assembly

**9th June** 11am-12:30pm  
Year 9 Celebration Assembly

**10th June** 11am-12:30pm  
Year 10 Celebration Assembly

### Exams

**During June**  
Year 11 GCSE Exams

**W/c 1st & 8th June**  
Year 7 Exams in all subjects

### Study

#### Study Support/ Revision

**DT** Thursdays 3 - 4pm, A1

**Geography** Year 10 Catch-up  
Tuesdays, Year 11 Catch-up Thursdays  
3 - 4pm CS2 Miss Walker

**Maths** FSMQ Tuesdays 3 - 4pm, M2  
Dr Lee, Revision Wednesdays 3 - 4pm,  
Miss Honey/Mrs Clare

**GCSE PE** Fridays 3 - 4pm, Mr  
Bradshaw & Mr Mills

#### Homework Club

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Thursday 3pm - 4pm, Library

### Sports

#### Sports Fixtures

Tuesday 19th May, 12:30pm Area  
Athletics Competition at Greshams

Thursday 21st May  
3pm U15 Rounders Tournament (H)  
3:30pm U15 Cricket v Sprowston (A)

Tuesday 2nd June 3pm U14 Rounders  
Tournament @ Reepeham

Wednesday 3rd June 3pm U14 Cricket  
v Dereham Northgate (H)

Thursday 4th June 3pm U14 Rounders/  
U15 Tennis v Aylsham (A)

#### After School Clubs

**Art Club/War Hammer**  
Tuesdays 3 - 4pm, A5 Mr Winsor

**Dance Club**  
**KS4** Wednesdays 3 - 4pm  
**KS3** Thursdays 3 - 4pm

**Film Club** Thursdays 3 - 4pm,  
Theatre Mr Breeze

**Golf Coaching** Tuesdays 3pm with  
Ryan Pudney (Mundesley Golf Club)

**History Club** Thursdays 3-4:30pm,  
Miss Springall-Coleman

**Rounders Club** Tuesdays 3 - 4pm

## 7EN3 Talk Politics

On Friday 8th May "The Election" came to 7EN3. Students had to work in groups to create their own political party, come up with a manifesto and present it to the rest of the class. They had to do this while honing their persuasive writing skills. Some of the policies were to: increase foreign aid; change the school leaving age and provide free school uniform for all school age children. At the end of the lesson we voted for the party we thought had the most effectively written manifesto and Sian Meacher won! Well done to all of 7EN3 for working so hard and enhancing their understanding of persuasive writing and politics.



### Year 10 Btec Performing Arts students proudly present

'An evening of comedy and tragedy with Shakespeare' on Tuesday 7th July and Friday 10th July, 7-9 pm

*Details of how to obtain tickets will follow shortly.*



## Hang out the bunting for VE Day

North Walsham's VE Day celebrations were brightened by long strings of patriotic bunting – after students at the town's high school contributed a home-made banner for the event.

A celebratory picnic was held in North Walsham's Memorial Park on Sunday 10th May to mark the 70th anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe on 8th May 1945, with families encouraged to come together for an afternoon of food and festivities.

Organiser Jenny Melville approached NWSH to ask students to help create bunting for the event, and the result was several hundred banners, each one made by a student at the school.

NWSH head teacher Caroline Brooker said, "When Ms Melville approached us to help with bunting for the picnic in the park, we jumped at the chance, as it gave us an opportunity to discuss with our students what VE Day meant, and continues to mean 70 years later.

"Individual banners are overwhelmingly red, white and blue, and made a splendid sight on the day of the picnic. It's a great way of the whole school getting involved in an important North Walsham community event."



## Year 7 Rounders Competition

Our Year 7 cohort started off the new Summer term with an Inter-House Rounders Tournament, officiated by our capable GCSE Year 11 students.

The standard of play was reasonably good and many of the rules were put into place. The winning team was Blogg House, who won all of their games, closely followed by Nelson and Miss Abel! The Blogg House team include Megan Higgs, Rhiannon Holt, Gracie East, Katy Ellis, Ellie Garrard, Grace Hanley, Alex Niotis, Greg Niotis, Joshua Bloom, Tyla Armstrong, Jack Cowell and Adam Oakley.

We now have a strong team for after school matches and the next step is for the U12 girls to play in the new rounders league.

Rounders Club is after school every Tuesday until 4.00pm.



## Parents go back to the classroom for Year 5 Learning Festival

Primary school students from around the North Walsham area took their parents into the classroom at an event designed to help them find out about life at high school, during a special Year 5 Learning Festival. They were able to experience life in the classroom trying out a range of subjects including Maths, Computing, Science, English, Cultural Studies and Food Technology.

The aim was to introduce the school and some of its subjects to children and parents who will be making their secondary school choices later this year. The children and their parents also heard a series of presentations about life at the school, not just from staff, but from Head Girl Lucy Curtis-Warminster and Deputy Head Boy George Fleming. There was also a series of tours of the school conducted by Year 11 prefects.

Students were invited to the Festival from Millfield Primary, North Walsham Junior, Antingham & Southrepps Primary, Happisburgh Primary, Worstead Primary and Mundesley Junior.

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