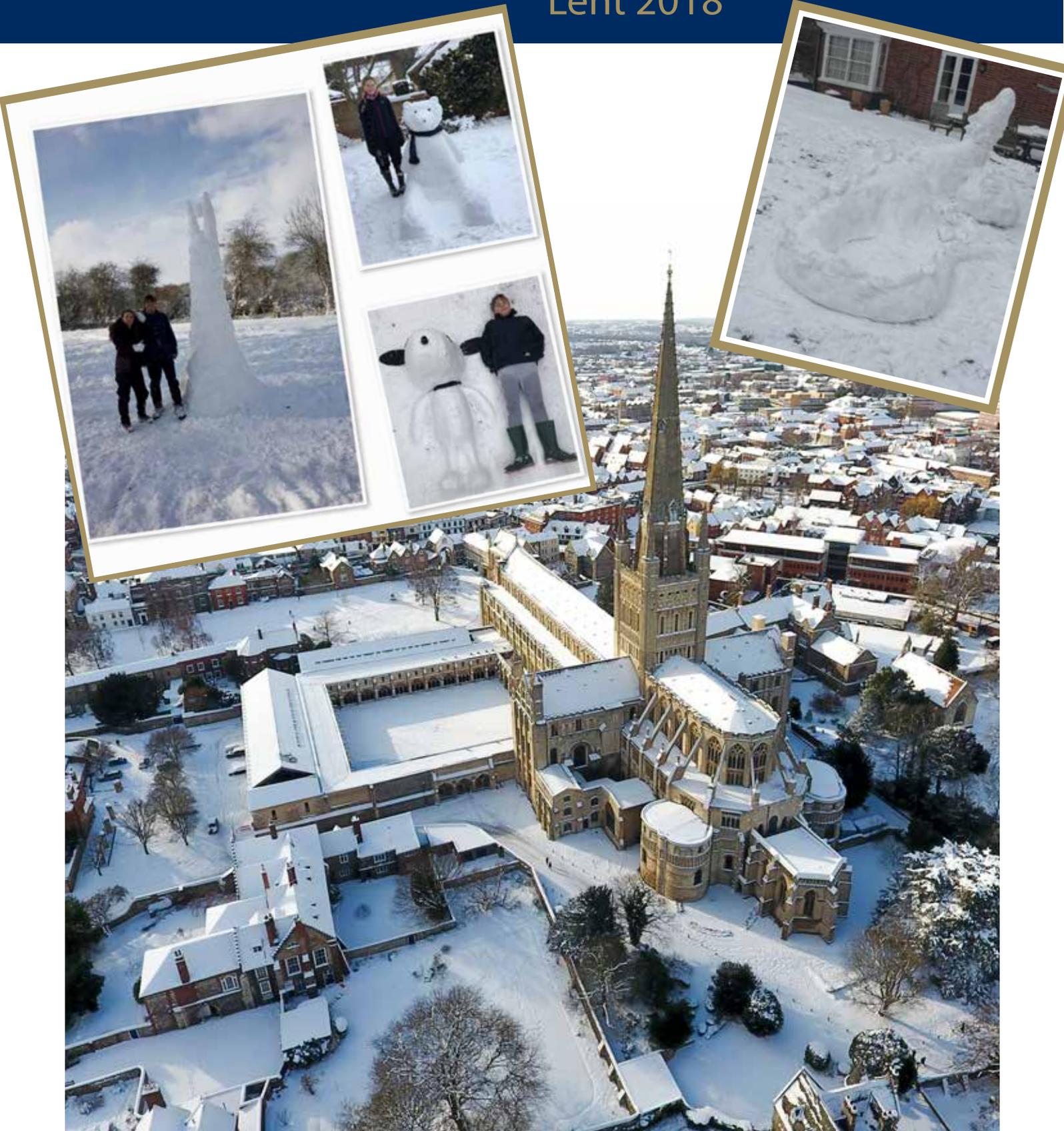




News from Norwich School

NORWICH SCHOOL

Lent 2018



The cold weather provided a rare chance to capture a picture of our beautiful location in the snow while pupils and staff engaged whole-heartedly in the #NSsnowman competition, which was run through our social media channels. Some of the entries (a dragon by Art and Design scholar, Anya Birch (L6P), 'Snowpy', The Eye of Sauron and a Norwich School bear are pictured above.)

Sport



The U14 and U16 hockey teams played well throughout the season and were both crowned County Champions. The U11 and U14 teams reached the regional finals of the England Hockey Competition, with the U14s finishing 3rd in the East. The 1st XI reached the 4th round of the National Cup and are off to Holland over Easter to compete in the WFHC International Hockey Tournament. The indoor hockey teams also did well, with the girls U18s and boys U18s both finishing 3rd in the East.



The U13 girls were outstanding at the Lady Taverners Indoor Cricket Tournament, County Round. They won all five matches and have qualified for the regional finals next term. This is the 3rd consecutive year that our U13 team have won this competition.

The whole school gathered at Mousehold Heath for the annual Cup Run. Some impressive times were recorded and Valpy House won the overall title.

Congratulations to all those who took part but especially to Mia Bartram, Freddie Mitchell, Kitty Taylor, Angus Toms, Matilda Warde-Aldam and George Clements who all won their respective races.

Overall positions:

1st: Valpy

2nd: Nelson

Joint 3rd: School, Parker & Brooke





Norwich School Boat Club competed at a national level at The Scullery Head, held on the Olympic rowing lake at Eton Dorney. The J14A Octuple team won their event in the competition by 10 seconds, beating 57 other boats. The J15 boys swapped one oar for two and raced in J15 Octo event, finishing in 2nd place.



It was a great term for Norwich School netball. The U16 and U19 teams qualified for the regional finals of the National Schools Competition as County Champions. The U19 team went on to finish 3rd, narrowly missing out on reaching the national finals. The 1st VII, the U15A squad and the U13A squad all completed the season unbeaten.

14 pupils, parents and staff from the Norwich School community were part of the Norfolk Orienteering Team which qualified for the final of the national club competition. It was the first time in the 50 years since British Orienteering was founded that Norfolk has qualified.



Seven Norwich School pupils earned the honour of representing Norfolk through their successes at The Norfolk Schools Cross Country Championships. In the East Anglian League, all Norwich School runners competed strongly, with pupils winning the junior boys race, the intermediate boys race and the senior boys race.

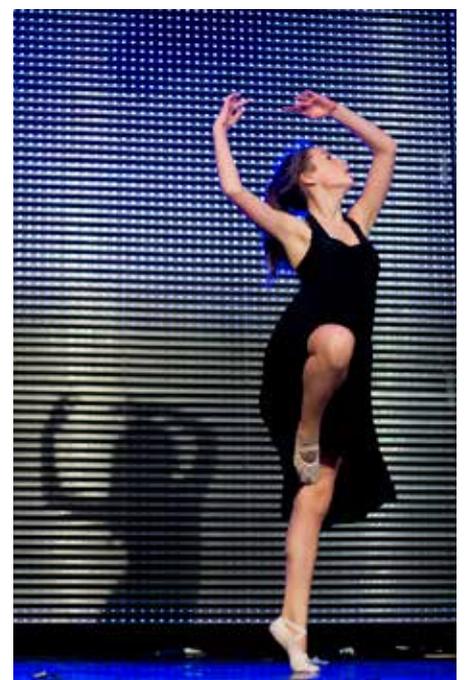
The Arts



Audiences were gripped by this year's Senior Play, *Judgement Day*, which took place at The Puppet Theatre in Norwich. The cast enjoyed the tense and witty script and other pupils got involved in designing the set and writing music for the performance.



This year's Dance Extravaganza saw the combination of the junior and senior dancers to create one amazing show. There were almost 30 acts, with representation from all year-groups.





Unplugged took place at Norwich Playhouse in January. The audience was wowed by talent from over 30 singers, songwriters and musicians from a variety of year-groups. The house band, string section and brass section supported the soloists throughout the evening.



Some of the talented individuals who shone at Unplugged also took to the stage at Jazz Night. The annual fundraiser, organised by the Friends of Norwich School, brought together the Norwich School community for a night of incredible music, delicious food and dancing at Epic Studios. In addition to individual acts, there were memorable performances from the Senior Jazz Band, Gforce, Saxology and Quartz.

Music



For the second year running, Norwich School Choral Society collaborated with the world-renowned London Mozart Players at a memorable concert in St. Andrew's Hall. The programme included Mozart's exquisite *Coronation Mass*, Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs* and Rutter's uplifting setting of African-American Spirituals, *Feel the Spirit*. Caitlin Obee (U6B), had the unique opportunity to play a Flute Concerto by Cecile Chaminade accompanied by the orchestra.



The first Making Musicians event of 2018 consisted of a day of composition workshops led by contemporary composer, Michael Finnissy, followed by a concert in Norwich Cathedral. Pupil, Charlotte Pollard (M5P), sang as part of the concert in front of a full audience. The monthly performances in the North Transept of the Cathedral are increasingly popular. Musicians also visited the Clare School to give pupils a chance to hear, and touch first hand, a variety of instruments.



Academic



Grace Murray (M5B) is one of this year's UNESCO Young Ambassadors for the Writers' Centre (WCN), Norwich. In February, she got the chance to interview Margaret Atwood, patron to the new National Centre for Writing. Pupils Nathaniel Gilson (L6R) and Alice Wollocombe (U5N) have also been chosen as Young Ambassadors 2018 for the WCN.



Norwich School hosted the world's only secondary school model arctic council (NORMAC). Pupils from across the country played the roles of diplomats attending the Arctic Council for two and a half days.



Pupils competed at the National Finals of the Senior Maths Team Challenge (pictured above). Closer to home, the annual Norwich School Careers and Networking Event took place at The Open, enabling pupils to meet with professionals and experts, seek advice and make contacts for the future.



World Book Day 2018 had the theme of 'Share a Story'. Pupils chose their favourite book and described why they would recommend it. Videos of these stories are on the school twitter feed - @NorwichSchool.

Outreach

The Crypt Gallery held an exhibition titled 'Response' (pictured right). Sixth form pupils from CNS, Dereham Sixth Form College, Reepham High School and College, Norwich School and Wymondham High Academy were asked to visit three exhibitions held in Norwich and begin a project in response to one or more of the shows.



In March, pupils (pictured left) joined forces with YMCA Norfolk for their annual 'Sleep Easy' event. 12 intrepid members of the Lower 6 spent the night in the pouring rain, with nothing more than a tarpaulin to shelter them!

Fifth Formers helped at the Food and Farming Discovery Trust inaugural event, 'The Science of Farming,' which took place at the Norfolk Showground. Norwich School pupils were guides for the day, helping eight Norfolk school groups of Year 5 pupils (pictured above).

Norwich School was invited to attend a special event at the Hall School to thank those who offered support after their minibuses were vandalised. The local community, including Norwich School, offered the use of our minibuses after a plea was made by the Head of the Hall School. Pictured right is the thank you card we received.



Staff from the Norwich School community (pictured above) are busy training for this year's London Marathon, raising money for various charities. Master of Music, Ashley Grote, will be running for Great Ormond Street Hospital dressed as their mascot, Bernard Bear!

Community Service



Sixth Formers have been taking part in the school's Community Service programme, encouraging engagement with the local community to make a positive difference.

There are now 42 different groups for them to choose from including: Community Film Group, Green Group, Hamlet Centre, Mandarin Club, Corton House and Norwich Cathedral Shop (pictured clockwise, from top right).



Trips



Ski trip, Italy



Art and Design trip, London



German trip, Hamburg

Many trips took place this term including the annual ski trip, the Art and Design trip to London, the language trip to Hamburg, the French Exchange and Cheerleading trip, both to Paris, and the Spanish trips to Madrid and Valencia.



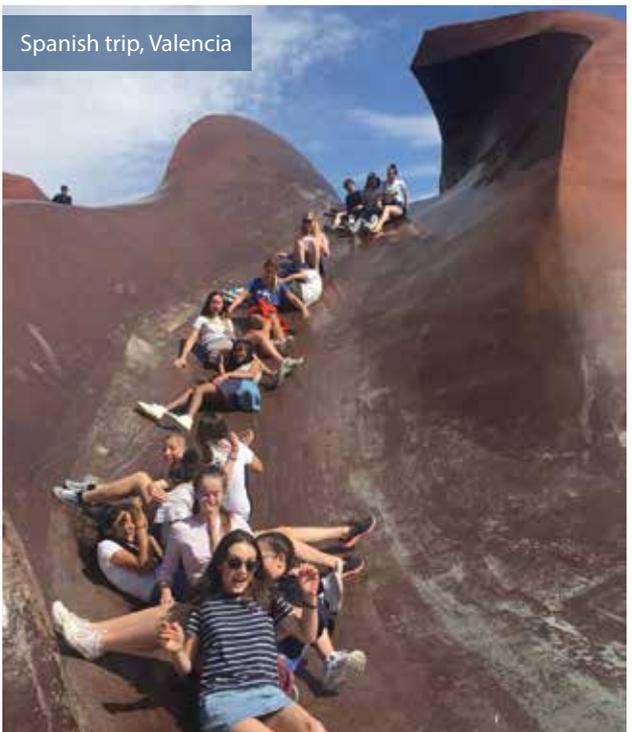
French Exchange, Paris



Cheerleading, Disneyland Paris



Spanish trip, Madrid



Spanish trip, Valencia

Achievements

Individual successes and achievements

Oliver Reek (M5S) was awarded his Norfolk County Colours for swimming for the county on four occasions. He trains with City of Norwich Swimming Club up to 7 times a week.

James Cherry (L6B) and Tom Bailon (L6V) both played rugby for the Eastern Counties U17 team with James captaining the side.

Eloise Hipper (L6C) placed third in the regional heats of ARTiculation - a national public speaking competition, with a controversial and exciting presentation on Marcus Harvey's painting, *Myra*.

Will Tremelling (U6C) and Tom Osborn (U6B) competed in the finals of the Oxford Schools Debating Competition and came in the top third. When judged on speaker points alone, Tom came 28th and Will 11th out of 216.

Monica Raviraj (U5V) continued her tennis success, reaching the quarter finals of the Winter National Tour Girls U16 Grade 2 Tournament.

Isla McLaren (U5B) has been selected into the Mavericks Futures Programme, an academy committed to developing talented young netballers.

Jemma Luck (L6S) represented England at the 2018 ISF World Schools Championships in alpine ski racing. Her U19 team raced in both slalom and giant slalom to finish in an amazing 5th place, equalling the best ever finish by an English squad. Jemma was also selected to represent England as their Ambassador to the Games.

Guatham Narayanan (L6V) played with the Norfolk U18 tennis team. His contribution has helped Norfolk win a promotion into Group Three of the Aegon County Cup Competition.

Kayanne Shaikh (L6N) won a competition to design the new Nelson House flag!

Oli Udy (L6N) and Harry Hook (L6R) finished 24th from 39 boats against the country's best junior rowers at the GB junior long distance assessment trials in Boston.



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Katie Cox (U6N) continued her success in squash, winning the Norfolk County Ladies Championships. Her sister, Lucy Cox (M5N), played in the team that won the Intercounty Squash Trophy for Norfolk.

Frances Evans (U6P) and Mia Bartram (L5C) represented Norfolk in the U18 Tennis County Cup. Frances was captaining the team for the last time whilst Mia was making her debut.

Jemima Gotto (L4P) has been selected to represent Great Britain as part of the GBR Irish Junior Team at the 2018 Irish Optimist National & Open Championships, to be held at Kinsale Yacht Club, Co Cork, Ireland.

George Clements (U6V) gained a certificate of distinction from the second round of British Maths Olympiad. Only the top 200 in the country get this far and he gained the top 25% of scores.

Natalia Rowe (U5C) finished third in the Eastern Region Fencing Championships. She has qualified for the British Championships taking place in Sheffield in May. She also won 8 out of her 10 fights in the Public Schools National Fencing Championships, finishing 9th overall.

Laura-Rose Cooke (L6C) came 9th on bars for Great Britain and 22nd at the Senior British Championships in gymnastics, resulting in her being reselected for the England Squad for 2018/19.

Ewan Brett (U4P) ran for the Youth Parliament elections. He campaigned for a plastic free Norfolk, to raise awareness of mental health issues and to petition for a 16 plus vote on the Brexit deal.

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