

FOOTBALL AGAINST FAMINE

Wednesday 2nd March

The James Hurren Tsunami appeal 5-a-side football day

As I'm sure you are aware projects seem to be arising from all angles as our nation unites in its desire to help the rebuilding of all the areas devastated by the Boxing Day Tsunami and the prevention of further fatalities. Norwich City College, together with U.E.A and Great Yarmouth College have decided to run an in house 5-a-side comp. We feel this gives our students an opportunity to feel as though they are contributing to the much needed help but also having fun at the same time. In addition to this we are hoping that as many schools in the county would run one along side us on the same day, a county of educational facilities united for one day in their efforts to make a difference.

So no doubt you're wondering why "The James Hurren" appeal and not just the Tsunami appeal? There are a few reasons why:

Firstly James was known by many students and from his disappearance to his funeral on Wednesday 12th January, the county has watched, with sadness, at the coverage given to his story by Look East. His parents have set up a memorial fund which will be specifically aimed at ploughing money back into Thailand, the area where James tragically lost his life. We believe that by putting a face to the disaster, and a young one at that, makes it easier for students to relate to how this has affected the individual

but also makes it more real. James was an avid footballer and it only seems fitting to raise funds employing an event that he was passionately involved with.

By targeting money at one specific area students can also see their fund raising efforts put into action.

Lastly James was a personal friend of one of our student union members who felt driven to organise an event specifically in his memory.

After speaking to the county F.A and several local schools it has been deemed to be a worthwhile idea, which requires little organisation but could have immense benefits to the appeal and students alike.

So if your school, like ours, feels it could spare just one day, or one lunch time to support this event please contact lizridley2@msn.com for further information.