

Children's Services **2012** newsletter Summer 2010

Congratulations Norfolk!

Get Set registrations

We now have 266 of our schools and colleges registered with Get Set, the London 2012 Games Education programme. We are aiming for 100% of Norfolk schools to become registered, so that they can maximise opportunities arising from the Games for every pupil.

If your school would like to join in the excitement of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, just go to www.getset/London 2012.com

It is simple and quick to sign up and gain access to 2012 news, curriculum linked activities and to find out what is going on across the country.

Get Set Network awards

East Norfolk Playing for Success Associate Centre - a unique partnership between Cliff Park High School and Norfolk Children's Services has been approved by LOCOG to be the first setting in Norfolk to join the Get Set network. Centre Manager Jo Bivens said, 'We are very proud and excited to receive the right to use the London 2012 education logo and the wealth of opportunities that being part of the Get Set network will create'.

Cliff Park High School – are delighted to announce that they also have been made part of the Get Set network, and together, these two networked centres are going to visit the Olympic Park in London. They have had fantastic support to do this; head teacher Rob Sherington has paid for train tickets, and Richard Grove the Partnership Development Manager donated £100 for tube fares. A whistle-stop tour of London will be included, as many of the children have never left Gt. Yarmouth, let alone been to London before.

Inspire Mark project news



1. Jonathan Edwards launches Just Imagine!

The Just Imagine films will be launched by Olympic gold medallist Jonathan Edwards in June. Over 500 pupils and teachers participated in this award winning initiative which used virtual technology and a lot of imagination to 'take Norfolk pupils to the Olympic Games'.

2. Norfolk's Competitive Edge Competitive Edge is the first sports project in the region to receive London 2012's Sports Inspire mark, which was awarded to the Sports Ambassador and STARS schemes. The London Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (LOCOG) recently visited Clenchwarton School to film Competitive Edge students completing the Sports Relief mile. The video case study will be included on LOCOG's website and highlighted as international good practice.

Whitlingham in the running to be 2012 training camp

Our Outdoor Education Centre at Whitlingham has been nominated as one of the training camps for London 2012, offering facilities for two Olympic sports, canoeing and triathlon.

Grassroots - The One World programme

The wonderful Grassroots, Theatre for Development company from Zimbabwe, will be back in Norfolk in the autumn term offering schools a curriculum-linked programme exploring global issues through the values of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, including courage, equality, and friendship. For bookings please contact Christine Slater on 01603 223155 or email christine.slater@norfolk.gov.uk

Norfolk's Competition Team

Competition hots up amongst Norfolk's schools as more and more children and young people are taking part in inter-school competitions including tri-golf, gymnastics, tag-rugby, kwik cricket, cross-country and aquathlon (a swim and a run). This year nearly 14,000 young people have taken part across Norfolk's primary, secondary and special schools, assisted by over 700 Youth Leaders, who have officiated and helped, make these competitions possible. Many of the competitions include county finals, with the winning teams from School Sport Partnership events representing their Partnerships, and in many cases hoping to qualify for regional and national finals.

Tour of Britain comes to Norfolk

Children all over Norfolk can experience the thrill of the counties largest ever live sporting spectacle, as the Tour of Britain cycle race heads 117 miles across Norfolk on Thursday September 16. All schools can join in - cycling training and arts workshops are planned for schools across the county and ideas for topic work and activities will be available from June. A local website will also be launched in June, with information about what is happening in your area and suggestions of great spots to view the race from. Go to www.tourofbritain.co.uk or contact Fiona Roberts 01603 222096

Open Weekend and Discovering Places

The London 2012 Open Weekend takes place this year from Friday 23rd - Sunday 25th July and allows any not-for-profit group, including schools, to organise an activity and get involved in celebrating the Games! We are encouraging groups to participate by setting a challenge for the public to take part in - it could be to create a new piece of art in 24 hours, organising a treasure hunt or staging a mass aerobics session - it's entirely up to you! Involve your school or community group and find out more by visiting www.london2012.com/openweekend.

We want to hear from YOU!

Send us your 2012 news so that we can spread the word! email: tina.carr@norfolk.gov.uk

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Norfolk Celebrating Talent is the county wide partnership programme to make the most of the opportunities from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

What are you waiting for? Visit www.norfolkcelebratingtalent.co.uk and let 2012 inspire you today! Just follow the link to the Children's Services' 2012 pages.