Youngsters get back to nature

Four Gresham's students and six Holt Youth Project members travelled to Wales as part of the Outward Bound Trust, an educational charity whose aim is to provide a supportive and challenging environment in which young people can learn about themselves and help them realise their potential.

For five days the group endures the sometimes brutal landscapes of Snowdonia National Park, where they were exposed to a wide range of landscapes from steep river gorges, waterfalls, green valleys, and windswept uplands.

Dainna Liberman a Sixth Form student from Gresham's said: “It was the perfect adventure.”

The first leg of the expedition involved canoeing in the estuary of the Irish Sea and despite the freezing conditions, the group was still smiling. Joe Shade, who took part from the Holt Youth Project, said: “The mountain which we climbed was called Cadair Idris (2,927 ft). Everyone was a tad tired after reaching the peak, but the views on display made it all worthwhile.”

From there the group crossed uneven terrain and scrambled up steep hills, taking about six hours to reach their base. After camping overnight, the group walked the final 10 kilometres before returning to the centre.

Overall, everyone in the group felt it was a really worthwhile experience. They enjoyed some fun team-building and high rope activities, the weather was good, the people were friendly, new friends and lots of memories were made.

ANNUAL EXHIBITION
North Norfolk Photographic Society holds its annual exhibition as a Holt Festival Fringe event in the Loades Hall at Holt Methodist Church July 22-24. The event is open between 10am and 5pm each day and entry is free. Refreshments will be available. The camera club holds regular competitions for members and there was plenty of excellence when the society invited Jim Hartla to assess two groups of digital projected images – Urban Landscape and Open Section. Pictured is Open section winner Angela Millard’s All The Children Have Gone. North Norfolk Photographic Society meets on alternate Wednesdays at Loades Hall, behind Holt Methodist Church. Visitors are welcome.

MEET YOUR OFFICERS
Residents living in the Holt neighbourhood will get the chance to meet officers from their local policing team this month. PCSO Guy Slade will host a number of mobile police surgeries at the Holt Library, Church Street, Holt, including Friday, August 16, 10-11am and Friday September 27, 3-4pm. The surgeries will give local people the chance to speak to an officer face-to-face and raise any issues or concerns. Anyone unable to attend the surgeries can contact the Holt Safer Neighbourhood Team by calling 101.