

# NORWICH REFUGEE WEEK 2021

## A Day of Welcome Friday 11th June

A Day of Welcome is a day of solidarity and learning in schools that aims to build a culture of welcome and understanding for refugees and asylum seekers. The celebration is designed to support schools and families in marking Refugee Week and to send a clear message that for those in need of sanctuary, our communities are welcoming places.

Norfolk Schools of Sanctuary

For more information, visit:

[www.norfolksos.co.uk/dow-2021](http://www.norfolksos.co.uk/dow-2021)

## The Nest Project Until Friday 11th June

Nature-inspired art symbolising the community coming together and finding solace in the natural world.

Three Norfolk schools have made embroidered fabric leaves as a symbol of welcome to people and families from abroad. In return a group of students learning English with the charity English+, and refugee families, have also embroidered leaves as a symbol of making a new life, 'a new leaf' in the UK. See the leaves stitched together into a giant nest at the Norfolk Makers Festival until the 11th June.

Norfolk Makers Festival, the Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich

## Norwich Castle Projection Friday 11th, Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th June, evenings

Norwich City of Sanctuary will be projecting a giant orange heart onto the walls of Norwich Castle, made up of the faces of local residents. The visual pledges have been submitted by those who share the view that "we want to live in a welcoming city" and that stand #TogetherWithRefugees. The projection will be on display for 3 nights only, so don't miss it!

Norwich City of Sanctuary

For more info and how to take part, visit

[www.norwich.cityofsanctuary.org](http://www.norwich.cityofsanctuary.org)

## New Routes football 7-aside tournament

Tuesday 15th June, 7:30-9:40pm

Join the regular New Routes football group for a fun-filled 7-aside tournament!

Teams should have a minimum of 7 players and a maximum of 10. The tournament is free to enter for teams from the asylum seeking/refugee community; there is a suggested donation of £10 per team for other teams. Players of all abilities and ages are welcome. Due to the nature of the pitch, players should wear astro studs and shin pads are essential.

New Routes Integration

UEA Sportspark, University of East, Norwich,  
NR4 7TJ

To register: Email Patrick

([support@newroutes.org.uk](mailto:support@newroutes.org.uk)) by the 10th of June.

## Sanctuary During the Pandemic: Refugee and Asylum-Seeker Experiences in Times of COVID-19

Wednesday 16th June, 12-1pm

This UEA University of Sanctuary event will address the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic on the lives of refugees and asylum-seekers. Drawing on observations from refugee camps in Greece and networks in Norwich, the speakers will discuss how the pandemic context has affected the provision of sanctuary support. Key themes will include the securitisation of refugee camps in Greece, obstacles in mental health care provision and challenges in applying for refugee status in the UK.

UEA - University of Sanctuary

Follow this link on the day:

<https://bit.ly/2TKySBh>

## Art on the Railings Saturday 11th - 20th June

Visit Norwich City of Sanctuary's outdoor exhibition on the railings of St Peter Mancroft Church, opposite the Norwich Millennium Library. The display will feature poster art contributed by artists and creatives from the local community, in support of the national campaign #TogetherWithRefugees.

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St Peter Mancroft Church, Hay Hill, Norwich NR2  
1QQ (opposite The Forum)

More info & how to submit:

[www.norwich.cityofsanctuary.org](http://www.norwich.cityofsanctuary.org)

## Schools of Sanctuary Teach Meet Friday 18th June, 4-5pm

Join the Norfolk Schools of Sanctuary network for a free webinar for A Day of Welcome & Refugee Week 2021. Throughout the session, local educators will be sharing snippets of good practice on how to share our message of welcome in a school setting.

If you are interested in supporting or pursuing a School of Sanctuary award for your school, or if you are simply looking to meet like-minded colleagues across the community, then join us on Friday the 18th of June, 4-5pm.

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Register at

[www.norfolksos.co.uk/news/teach-meet](http://www.norfolksos.co.uk/news/teach-meet)

## Welcome Wheels ride-out Saturday 19th June, 10:30am



Join us for our third annual Welcome Wheels community bike ride. Meeting at Bicycle Links at 10:30am and setting off at 11am, we will take a picturesque route around Trowse and Whitlingham. We will aim to cycle for around an hour (distance depending on the weather and how people are feeling!) before making our way back to Whitlingham barn to finish for cake, coffee or a pint!

Bicycle Links, 135 /137 King St, Norwich, NR1 1QH

## Welcome Wheels Rolls On Crowdfunder campaign and challenge:



Since 2018 Welcome Wheels has provided over 300 bikes to asylum seekers and refugees in Norwich from the ages of 6 to 60, but we are running out of money and we need your help! We aim to raise £15,000 to fund another year of this transformative project.

Find out more and set up your own fundraising challenge by visiting

[www.crowdfunder.com/welcome-wheels](http://www.crowdfunder.com/welcome-wheels)

## Green Map of Norwich

Discover some of Norwich's green spaces which are open to all. Some are public spaces, like Eaton Park, while others are community gardens. A number of allotment groups and community gardens want to join the Norwich City of Sanctuary movement. They aim to welcome refugees and asylum-seekers, and want to encourage them to try out gardening or growing their own food.

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## Norwich City of Sanctuary Trail

Take part in the Norwich City of Sanctuary Trail. Follow our two mile walk around the medieval streets of Norwich, which takes in the many museums, theatres, cafes and schools who have joined the Norwich City of Sanctuary movement.

It's been designed to show how many places support our simple message: we want Norwich to be a welcoming city for all.

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