

Newsletter | 28th May 2021

Contact Tracing - Half Term

Please see the below message from the DFE:

As lockdown eases, taking a rapid COVID-19 test twice a week, even if you do not have symptoms, will help us stay ahead of the spread of the virus, particularly as new strains appear. Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 have no symptoms and are spreading the virus without knowing. This includes those who have had their vaccine.

We want to thank you for your continued support in testing. Over 40 million tests with staff and students have now been conducted as part of the education testing programme.

Students have been provided with test kits to last throughout half term. Please could students test twice-weekly over half-term and test before returning to school after the holiday. Please remember to log results on the NHS test and trace website and on the school form which can be found [here](#) or on our website. If your child tests positive on an LFD home test kit, please arrange for a PCR test as soon as possible and contact the school. If your child tests positive on or before Monday 31st May please notify Mrs Watts at hwatts@acle.norfolk.sch.uk or ring the out of hours Covid hotline- 07721 332592.

Careers Day – 14th July

We are keen to develop and further engage with local businesses and employers to help us inform, educate and create experiences for our students with regards to the world of work and prepare them for the future. Throughout the year we have several events and activities in which employers can engage with students, these include business lunches, drop down days, work experience placements, mock interviews, careers fairs, CV workshops and more. We are also looking to involve more employers and businesses in linking careers to the curriculum.

Our next event is on the 14th July and we are looking for parents or businesses to help us conduct mock interviews for Year 10 students. If you feel you can take part in this or future events, please register your expression of interest [here](#) or feel free to contact Ms Skarin directly. cskarin@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

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Rugby Success

Congratulations to our Rugby teams who enjoyed tremendous success in their recent Rugby tournament. Both teams won every match to set up an Acle versus Acle final match.

Acle 1 beat Hellesdon 35-15

Acle 2 beat Hellesdon 40-10

Acle 1 beat Alderman Peel 15-0

Acle 2 beat Alderman Peel 35-10

Acle 1 beat North Walsham 35-10

Acle 2 beat North Walsham 25-5

Acle 2 won 25-5 in the final and all the boys were thoroughly exhausted by the end.

Congratulations to: Joseph Chapman, Charles Hume, Oliver Guin, Ben Skoyles, Jonas Ciriboto, Eddie Hickey, Alfie Potter, Alfie Cooper, Jude Ellerington, Robbie Kerrison, Harry Jenkins, Archie Holt, Declan Tunmore, Jared Chlolerton, Archie Crow, Thomas Backhouse.



Roots Project

A group of Year 9 students have been representing Acle Academy in a project called Roots over the last five weeks. The project set out to connect people, issues and communities – deepening their understanding of themselves in relation to the lives of others, with a vision 'of a more connected, compassionate and curious society, one built on dialogue rather than debate.'

The students have been matched up with a partner school in Bolton, meeting regularly remotely with a small group of students to exchange experiences. Participants were asked to reflect on their identity, their relationships and their role in wider society whilst building meaningful bonds with people they wouldn't have otherwise met. We are really excited by this partnership and hope to continue working with our Bolton partner school.



Year 10 - College Trip

As a school we have been invited to visit East Norfolk Sixth Form College on Wednesday 30th June. Students will be given a presentation with an introduction to the college, result history, an introduction into the extra-curricular, pastoral support and student experience. As well as an introduction to the different subject areas from the faculty leads. This is a really good opportunity for the students to get a feel for what a post 16 education establishment is like. We will depart at 9.15 and return back in time for lunch. If you would like your child to take part in this opportunity, please log into ClassCharts, go to announcements sent out on 14th May by Mrs Skarin- you will need to click the consent button in order for your child to attend. Any problems please contact cskarin@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Rewards Lunch

Year 10 students who gained the platinum level on the Progress Ladder celebrated their hard work with a Rewards lunch this week, courtesy of the Piazza Wheel. These students have achieved an outstanding 'attitude to learning' grade and are achieving exceptionally well against their target grades. Well done to Molly Forsyth, Hollie Hudson, Mary Catchpole, Millie Cunningham, Finlay Hannon, Lily Dack, Ben Gibbs, Alfie Tate, Max Kiddell, Sophie Cullen, Eva Chapman, Roan Durkin, Izzy Hawkins, Darcy Peters, Conor Cookson and Isobelle Smith.



Congratulations to our Senior Prefects

We are delighted to announce our new senior prefect team, we are very proud of your achievements. Congratulations to all students who have been selected and we look forward to working with you and seeing your impact across the school. The first challenge (as discovered this week) will be learning how to tie a tie!



UEA Outreach: The Ideas Lab

The UEA are looking for enthusiastic pupils, just like you, to join The Ideas Lab this summer!

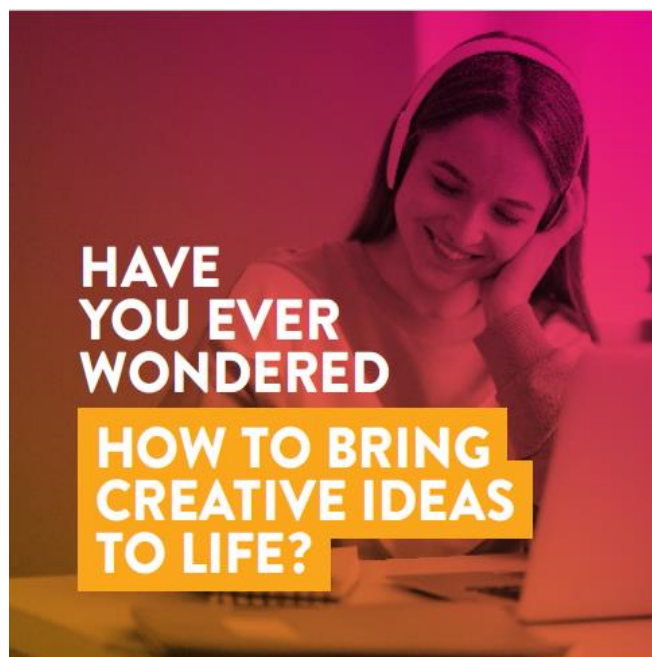
Working in groups, you will be tasked with helping UEA build a Marketing Campaign. You will attend sessions with the UEA Team and Marketing professionals that will help you shape your campaign. Additionally, you will have UEA Student Ambassadors alongside you who will help guide you through your tasks. **Bring your ideas to life, at our new event!**

[Applications](#) for the online summer programme, The Ideas Lab, are closing on **Monday 31 May**.

This exciting digital opportunity for year 9 and 10 students will give them an insight into designing a marketing campaign while working collaboratively and discovering the benefits of university.

There will be five sessions over two weeks from 26 July – 6 August and students will take part in interactive activities, hear from current students and marketing professionals as well as creating content that will be shared with schools in September.

To apply students will need to complete a [short application form on our website](#). The [website](#) and the attached flyer provide more details about the programme.



THE IDEAS LAB

WE'RE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC STUDENTS IN YEAR 9 AND 10 TO JOIN US THIS SUMMER AND TAKE THE LEAD CREATING A NEW MARKETING CAMPAIGN FOR UEA OUTREACH.

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THE IDEAS LAB

WHAT 5 ONLINE SESSIONS

WHEN 26 JULY, 28 JULY, 2 AUGUST, 4 AUGUST, 6 AUGUST

WHO YEAR 9 AND 10 STUDENTS ACROSS NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK

UEA Outreach invites year 9 and 10 students to be part of The Ideas Lab this summer.

The Ideas Lab is a brand new online project where students will work as part of a team to develop a marketing campaign for their peers, promoting the non-academic benefits of university. The campaign will be professionally produced by our partner creative agency and delivered to schools at the start of the new academic year.

Students attending The Ideas Lab will:

- Explore topics related to university life.
- Take part in online activities and workshops.
- Build confidence working as part of a team.
- Work with UEA student ambassadors, who will help guide them.

Students must complete a short application form to be considered for a place. Applications close on 31 May.

We are particularly keen to receive applications from students who do not have much knowledge of university and who would benefit from a work-based learning experience.

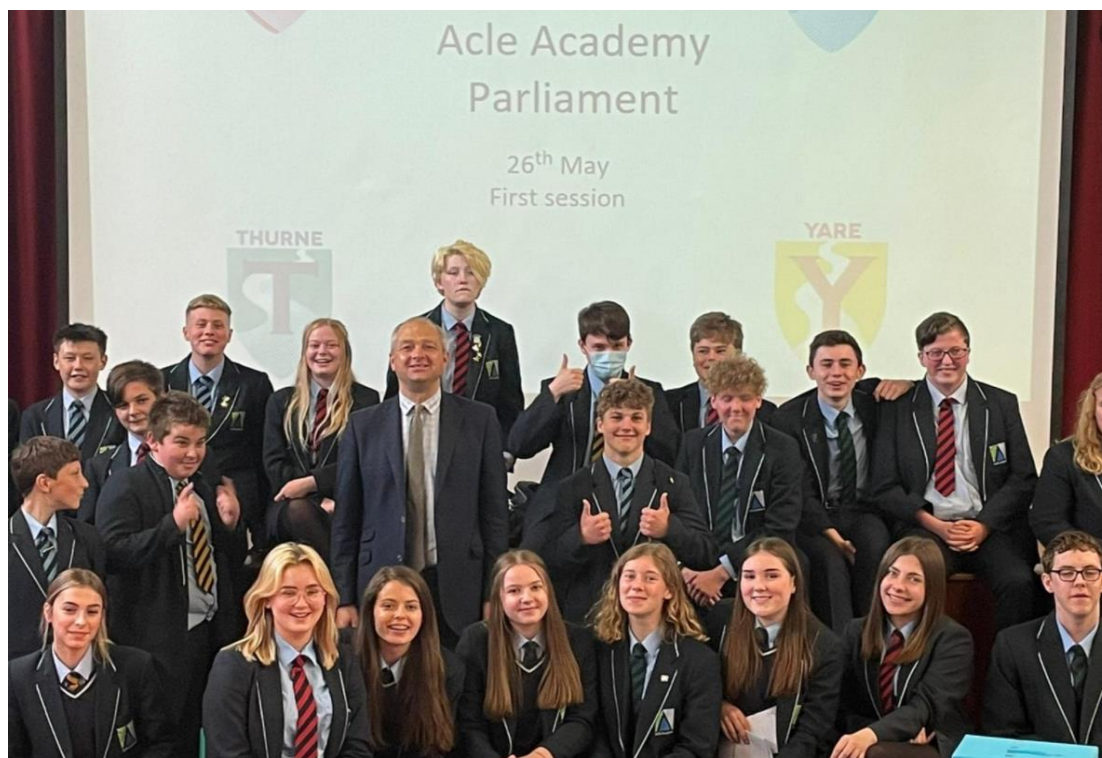
For more information and application form:
<https://bit.ly/3vAFWpP>

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Parliament Relaunch

We were pleased to welcome Jerome Mayhew, Conservative MP for Broadland, to our first parliament of the year. Mr Mayhew gave the opening speech for our Acle Parliament and discussed the concept of public service and bringing about change. Students went on to debate the issues that they had collected from their houses and voted on the key areas that they would like to develop throughout the school. Well done to all our MPs.



Our school needs you!

Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Enter the competition online, it only takes a minute: <http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Acle Gym

Edward Hume and friends have been working hard to raise money for our very own Acle Gym. With the help from Mr Hurren and Mr Hart, Edward and friends will be decorating one of the old mobiles in order to create a positive space for our school gym. We are still collecting donations, so if anyone has any exercise equipment that is taking up space in your house, we would gladly accept it for our school gym.