

Newsletter - 14th January 2022

Year 11 Celebration

This week we have been celebrating the hard work of Year 11 students as they received their mock exam results. Well done to all Year 11 students who worked so hard in the preparation of the mock exams and during the mock exam period.



We are part of...

WENSUMTRUST 

Scopay

Scopay will no longer be using WorldPay to process any payment, they are now going to be providing this service directly. You may notice that you are redirected to a different third party portal.

Free School Meal Breakfast

We are now offering all of our students who are in receipt of Free School Meals, a free breakfast in addition to the free school meal at lunch time. Students will receive a hot roll or muffin, hash brown and a fruit juice or hot drink.

Contacting your child during the school day

Please can we ask all parents to avoid texting your child during the school day. If you need to get a message to your child, please contact the school office and we will make sure the message is passed on. Students are not allowed to use their phones whilst at school.

What to do if your 12-15 year-old child missed their appointment at school to receive their Covid vaccination

If for any reason your child missed the opportunity to receive their vaccination at school, or were declined their vaccination because they tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 12 weeks, you have the following alternative options. You will need to accompany your child to any venues offering the vaccination to give consent:

Booking vaccination appointments online

You can book your child's 1st dose online from the day they turn 12. You can usually book their 2nd dose from 24 hours after they had their 1st dose. You'll be offered appointment dates from 12 weeks after their 1st dose. [Book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment](#)

Getting the vaccine at a walk-in vaccination site.

Your child can get a 1st dose at a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site from the day they turn 12. They can get a 2nd dose if it's been 12 weeks since their 1st dose. [Find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site](#)

Our New Pastoral Structure- Heads of House

We have launched our new Pastoral Structure with Heads of House overseeing the wellbeing and pastoral care of our students.

You can contact Heads of House directly using the information below:

Head of Ant- Ms Jarvis- kjarvis@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Head of Bure- Miss Nichols- snichols@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Head of Thurne- Ms John- ijohn@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Head of Yare- Miss Walsingham- gwalsingham@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Families who already have existing relationships with a member of our team are welcome to continue to contact the colleague who has been supporting your child.

PASTORAL SYSTEM 2022

ANT	BURE	THURNE	YARE
Head of House- Ms Jarvis	Head of House- Miss Nichols	Head of House- Ms John	Head of House- Miss Walsingham
7JCU- Miss Cunliffe	7BHA- Miss Halpin	7IKE- Mr Kennedy	7SHA- Mr Hammerton
8GFR- Mr Frost	8DSE- Ms Segurado	8SRI- Miss Richards	8KCA Ms Carrington
9MHA- Mr Hart	9NHU- Mr Hurren	9NBD- Miss Burdett	9ZCL- Mrs Cullen/ Mrs Harveyson
10TSO- Mr Southerden	10MGR- Mr Green	10MFR- Mr Freeman	10JBI- Miss Bridson
11EBA- Mrs Barber	11 NWH- Ms White	11CBO- Miss Evans	11AWE- Mr Lengthorn
			

Household Support Fund

The government has made funds available to provide vulnerable households in most need of support; who would otherwise struggle to buy food or pay essential utility bills, or meet other essential living costs this winter as the economy recover. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, the household support fund may be able to help with the cost of living expenses. Please contact our Heads of House or Miss Frary if you would like further information.

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

Message from the Attendance Officer

When notified of a Covid Absence Mrs Bryant will pre-populate the register for the first 5 days. From day 6 onwards please report the absence daily to confirm that your child is still testing positive on LFD.

In order to return to school on day 6 the LFD tests will need to be taken early in the morning on day 5 and 6 as they must be 24 hours apart.

For clarification the day of the positive result is counted as day ZERO.



Social Media

This week in assembly, we have been focusing on the effects of social media on society and ourselves. Students have been reminded about the importance of not accepting friend requests from people they do not personally know and the importance of ensuring that they think about everything they post online before they post it. We have also considered some of the effects of over use of social media.

Students have been reminded about:

- Not taking their mobile phones to bed- leave in another room or hand to parents
- Use the Granny test (if you would not say it in front of Grandma- don't post it)
- Never post emotionally- take a breath and pause
- Not to believe everything they see or read
- Remember that people only post what they want others to see, images are manipulated- social media is not an accurate reflection of other's lives
- The importance of maintaining a good online reputation
- Privacy settings
- Strategies to reduce time online and spend more time with family and friends





Discover Kooth Young People's Information Session

Mon, 14 Feb 2022 18:00 GMT + 2 more events

Free



Discover Kooth - Parent & Carer Information Sessions

Tue, 18 Jan 2022 18:00 GMT

Free

Kooth Information Sessions

From January 2022 Kooth are running information sessions for young people and parents to attend to learn more about their service and the support that is available to them.

The parent information session is scheduled for Tuesday 18th January and the Young People's session is scheduled for Monday 14th February.

Kooth is a free, confidential online counselling service which is open 24 hours a day.

The session will be via zoom: <https://kooth.zoom.us/j/94229115452>

Sign up via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/kooth-33650470885>

The session will cover:

- An Overview of Kooth
- A Live tour of the Kooth site
- An opportunity for Questions & Answers about Kooth

Please be aware that if you have registered through Eventbrite, they have their own privacy policy. Kooth do not pass on personal data that is collected through registration

If you would like to learn more about Kooth, please see the enclosed video:

<https://youtu.be/xbYQOLeGDbQ>



We're here to support your journey to freedom

NIDAS is a domestic abuse service for people at medium or high-risk of further harm and their children in Norfolk

Contact us for more information on domestic abuse and the different risk levels, as well as guidance on how NIDAS can support you.

Opening hours:

Weekdays: 9am – 6:30pm

Weekends: 9am – 3pm

Visit: www.nidasnorfolk.co.uk

Call: 0300 561 0555

Out of hours: 0808 2000 247

If you're in immediate danger, always call 999.

Funded by: Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk, Norfolk County Council, Norwich City Council, South Norfolk and Broadland District Councils

Service delivered in partnership by: Leeway Domestic Violence & Abuse Services, Daisy Programme, Orwell Housing, Pandora Project, Safe Partnership



Break Charity Exhibition

There is something in the art cupboard waiting to get creative! Yes it is a dinosaur! Not just any dinosaur, it's a 'GoGo Dinosaur.' from Break Charity.

This term we will be working on our very own Acle Art Dinosaur ready for the Break Charity exhibition in the summer. We can't wait to get started!

All students are welcome to come help with this project in the Art club on Tuesday at lunchtimes 12.55-1.25pm- Ms Seguarado





Norfolk 
Assistance Scheme

Are you worried about getting through the winter financially?

We can help you get support and financial assistance for food, energy, water and other essentials.

Do you fall into any of these groups?

- Reduced income
- Redundant – reduced working hours
- Unexpected expenditure
- Recently lost employment
- Struggling with utility bill arrears
- Need transport to get back to work

**APPLY TO
THE NORFOLK
ASSISTANCE
SCHEME!**

The fastest way to apply is online: www.norfolk.gov.uk/NAS

If you do not have internet access, call 0344 800 8020

To discuss an open application, call 01603 223392 OPTION 5

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My School Fund initiative to help boost our budget

Acle Academy is part the My School Fund initiative. This innovative scheme allows for us to be able to boost our school's budget with your help.

How does it work?

Parents and carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend.

Add that all up across our school's network of families and together we can all make a big difference!

How to get involved

Visit myschoolfund.org to register for free and link to **Acle Academy**. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own!

Sign up today at myschoolfund.org

Revision Guides

Year 10 and 11 parent/carers you can find some revision guides for sale on Scopay.

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Cover Supervisor
- Cover Manager

Please see our website for further details.

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/acleacademy/about-us/our-vacancies>

Dates for your diary

27th January- Year 9 Parents' Evening
4.30-7.30pm

9th February- Year 9 Careers' day

10th February- Year 9 Options' Evening

11th February- End of half term

Contact details

The majority of our communication is electronic so it is really important that we maintain accurate records of parental contacts. If you change your email address or phone number, please inform the school office so we can ensure you receive important information.