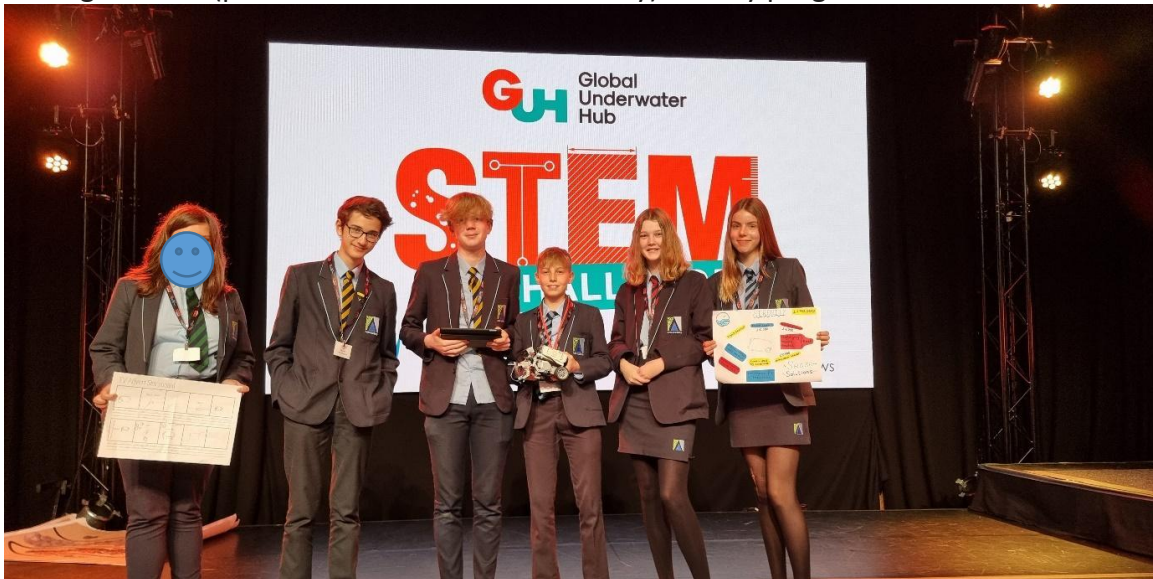


Newsletter – 27th May 2022

We are very proud of the accomplishments of all students this half term but particularly the excellent attitude shown by Year 11 who have commenced their GCSE exams. After the past two years, we understand that this is a daunting time for our Year 11 students, but they have all shown a remarkable attitude towards their revision and have entered the examination period with readiness. We wish them the best of luck with all their exams and wish Year 11 and all students a restful May half term break.

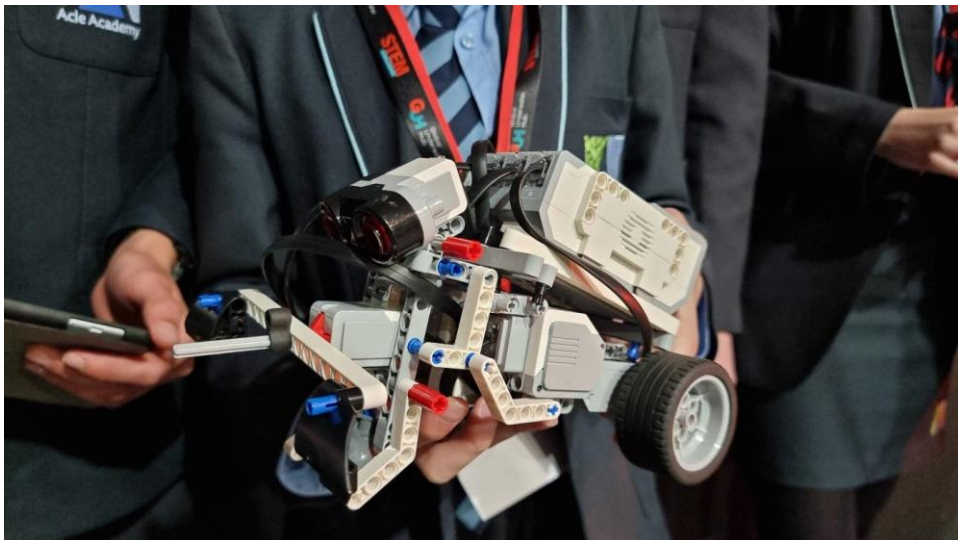
Global Underwater Hub STEM Challenge- Mr Southerden

On Friday 20th May, six Year 9 students participated in the Global Underwater Hub STEM challenge at the Space in Norwich. This year's challenge was to design, build, program and market a Remotely Operated Underwater Vehicle (ROV) in under 6 hours. The team worked exceptionally well taking on different roles to overcome a series of challenges and activities. Their ROV; named Serenity, was capable of navigating a complex course through coral reef to survey litter and environmental impact using a variety of sensors. The team ended the day with a pitch delivered to other schools from East Anglia and industry professionals. Many staff remarked on how fantastic their ideas and delivery were. Sadly the team was not successful in progressing to the national finals this year but hopes are high for our next STEM challenge. The team wishes to offer congratulations and the best of luck to Alderman Peel High School (part of the Wensum Trust Family) as they progress on to Aberdeen.



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Aspire 9

A group of our Year 10 pupils have recently commenced their work as part of our Aspire 9 group. The core focus of this project is to help and support these pupils as they aim to achieve three grade 9s in their 'Golden' subjects. We will be working closely with these pupils as they are each assigned an academic mentor who will act as their link in assisting them with academic targets and goal setting over the coming months. We'll also have many exciting opportunities for them to engage with content and extra-curricular activities linked to their aspirations for the future.

We will also look to further develop our academic mentoring support with more Year 10 pupils after the Year 11 exams as we aim to best prepare the pupils for their final GCSE year.



Year 8 Stretch Group

We have recently launched our Year 8 Stretch sessions which aim to; expand study and higher-order thinking skills, develop and enhance academic vocabulary, and engage students with creative content in order to inspire passion for learning. This project which takes place during form time will see Mr Sayce work with these pupils and combines a mixture of lecture based topics, academic debates and independent research assignments to engage pupils with materials which will really help them develop their academic skillset and enhance their passion for learning. We're very excited about working with these pupils and we hope they gain a lot from being part of this project!



Running Club

Thank you to all the lovely students who have been taking part in the running club over this half term! It is always a pleasure to spend Tuesday afternoon doing a run with you! We celebrated our last session this half term with some well-deserved ice lollies after our run!

We will start again after half term, with a beginners couch to 5k programme, as well as a faster 4-5km run for more confident runners! Join us then and have a lovely break! - Ms Skarin and Mrs Cullen.



Communication methods

Good communication between home and school is vital to our school community and we try our best to respond as quickly as possible. It is not always possible to respond to queries straight away as teachers are teaching and support staff are supporting children. We aim to ensure that we can get back to all queries within three working days. If you are unsure how to communicate with school, please use the guide provided with this newsletter so we can help answer your query as soon as possible.

Year 9 Options

Year 9 students will have their options confirmed this week. Thank you to all parents for supporting the options process. It is important that students still continue to study hard in the subjects they have not chosen to take as GCSE as this is part of the national curriculum expectations.

Goodbye to Mrs Hartley

Mrs Hartley has unfortunately been suffering from ill health since February half term and has decided to leave Acle Academy. We wish her well with her health and future and would like to thank her for her contribution to the school community. Mrs Hartley's timetable is currently being taught by a Science Specialist supply teacher who is working with the Science Department following the same curriculum. We have appointed a new Head of Biology, Mr Orton, who will be joining us in September.

Uniform donation

As the cost of living increases many families would benefit from the option of being able to purchase good quality second hand uniform. If your child has outgrown their uniform, we would gladly accept any donations so we can help others.

Rag Bin donations

If you are having a sort out over half term, please remember we have a rag bag bin at school and will gladly accept donations of clothes and shoes. The rag bag bin is now a permanent heavy duty collection bin and is situated near the bike sheds for ease of making donations.

Replacement ties

If your child loses their tie they are available to purchase from the school office at a cost of £7.



Please remember to check ClassCharts for daily updates and messages. ClassCharts is used to communicate house points, behaviour points and interventions. We also use the parent instant messaging system to share important messages from school. Parent help guides are available on our school website. If your child has lost their log in, please ask their form tutor or the school office who will be able to provide child and parent login details. Parents and students can view their child's timetable via ClassCharts.

Dates for your diary

Friday 27th May- End of half term

Monday 6th June- Return to school –Week 1

Monday 13th-17th June-Year 10 Work Experience

Thursday 23rd June- Year 11 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 1st July- Year 11 Prom

Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th July- Year 6 Transition Days

Tuesday 5th July- 5pm-7.30pm- Year 6 Parent Information Evening



PTA

Our newly formed PTA has had wonderful success with recent events such as the car wash, raffle and quiz and is looking to grow their work further. We are always looking for anyone who may be able to help out at the odd event and would warmly welcome new members. Time commitment can be as a little or as much as you can offer. For more details, please email – pta@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Invigilator
- Mid-day Supervisor
- Head of Character & Culture

Please see our website for further details.

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

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.



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Year 10 Information Evening

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28th June 2022
4pm - 6.30pm

Year 11 students also welcome!



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Product Design requires more High Density Polypropylene for their Polymers recycling project. If you are willing to contribute please could we ask that the items are washed out before being brought in.



Many thanks
Mr Green