

Newsletter – 25th November 2022

Mental Health & Wellbeing

International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women

This week in assemblies we have been learning about the United Nations Spotlight Initiative which aims to end violence against women across the world. Students learnt about what constitutes violence against women which includes denying girls education and rights. Students were asked to reflect on some of the current news and protests concerning the FIFA World Cup being held in Qatar. In addition, students were shown some really important video clips which explained macroaggressions and misogyny that can still be seen in some aspects of our own society. A recent national survey revealed that 66% of 16-18 year olds girls have experienced sexist language at school. Students were encouraged to consider how they can help challenge unacceptable language to help change culture and society.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjZTZm1phwo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qbk3iJqmiNU>



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WENSUMTRUST

Learning & Achievement

Year 11 Reunion – 17th November

We were overjoyed to welcome back our class of 2022 GCSE graduates on Thursday 17th November. We held a special reunion event for our former Year 11 pupils where we were able to hand out their GCSE certificates, give out special awards and catch-up with each student. It was a lovely opportunity to see our wonderful ex-students and celebrate all of their achievements. They were an outstanding year group and we are so very proud of them all.

Please stay in touch and keep us informed of what the future holds for you.



Mary C receiving the Principal's Award

Enrichment

Construction – Low Level Commercial Buildings

On 18th November, Year 10 construction students went to see a range of low level commercial buildings. They looked at the external makeup of the building and investigated the interior layouts. This was to support their learning and prepare them for their upcoming exam. A fantastic way to end a busy week.

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/acleacademy/news-and-events/acle-academy-news/construction-low-level-commercial-buildings>



GCHQ National Languages Competition

Last week 28 students from Year 9 took part in the GCHQ National Languages Competition.

Throughout the week the students, who were divided into nine different teams, competed against each other and 3,500 other teams from across the country to solve puzzles and crack codes in a range of different languages. They had to use both their knowledge of languages and logic to do this.

They worked really hard at lunchtime and at home to complete as many of the challenges as they could and win as many points as possible during the week.

Very well done to all the students involved and a particular congratulations to the top two Acle teams who drew with exactly the same points, coming in the top 15% nationally. We are really proud of them all!



Careers & Life Skills

On the 17th November, year 8 students took part in a Future Careers day, with a focus on clean energy and the impacts of climate change. As part of their morning they received a talk from an industry expert, Denise Hone from Vattenfall. Vattenfall is a fossil free energy company who discussed with the year 8's future opportunities in the clean energy industries.

In the morning the year 8 students also took part in a risk assessment activity for the impacts of climate change on Acle Academy, and as a group presented their ideas to mitigate these impacts. The guests, including an oracy expert, were very impressed with their presentations and thought they had some brilliant ideas. The year group represented the school incredibly well!







STORE OPENING TIMES

Monday: 9am - 5pm
 Tuesday: 9am - 5pm
 Wednesday: Closed
 Thursday: 9am - 5pm
 Friday: 9am - 5pm
 Saturday: 9am - 5pm
 Sunday: Closed

**We're closed From 19th December until 2nd January for the festive period.
 We reopen on the 3rd of January**

You can still order for home delivery or Click and Collect once the store re-opens.

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20% OFF ALL ONLINE SALES

Our first ever Black Friday special is now live.

Spend £60 or more online and Save 20% on your entire order with purchases made through our website - [Stevensons.co.uk](https://www.stevensons.co.uk)*

*offer applies to website transactions only and is not redeemable in store. Is valid from 17/11/2022 until 30/11/2022 and excludes custom orders and Postage.

Use offer code **BLACKFRIDAY20**

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More Acle Academy News can be found [Here](#)

Useful Resources/Activities and links can be found [Here](#)

We are recruiting!

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Lead Invigilator
- Invigilator
- Mid-day Supervisor
- Temporary Teaching Assistant
- Minibus Driver
- Science Tutor/Science Technician

If you would like to find out more details about any of these posts, please see our website for further details or feel free to contact the school for an informal chat.

[Find Current Vacancies here](#)

Governor Update

Our Community Governor Ralph Masterson has decided to retire from his role within the Local Advisory Board. Ralph has been a Governor in Norfolk High Schools since 1978 and has made a significant contribution to Acle Academy and has shared a wealth of wisdom, knowledge and expertise. He has always championed the school and has ensured that all policies and procedures are adhered to. Ralph was our Safeguarding and SEND Lead governor and was particularly passionate about ensuring practices within school were inclusive.

As a Headteacher, Ralph Masterson has given his life's work to education and has supported young people in our area for many years. We are very grateful for Ralph's guidance, support and challenge over the years and wish. We wish him a happy retirement from education and all the best for the future.

With Ralph's departure we have a vacancy for a Community Governor and would be very interested in hearing from anyone who may wish to find out more about this role. I'm afraid this position may not be filled by parents or carers of children currently in school. For more information, please contact our Chair of Governors Matthew Arrow-Smith Brown at chairofgovernors@acle.norfolk.sch.uk



Please remember to check ClassCharts for daily updates and messages. ClassCharts is used to communicate house points, behaviour points and interventions. We also use this platform for parent announcements. 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. Please note you can no longer exchange instant chat messages with teachers or support staff.

Dates for your diary

15th December – PTA Christmas Disco
(**year 8-9 only**) see poster sent with newsletter.

16th December – School closes at 1pm for Christmas break.

4th January – School reopens for students

Our School Calendar can be found [Here](#)



PTA

Acle Academy PTA is looking for new members and would love to hear from any parents or carers that are interested in supporting. The contribution of your time can be as little or much as you are able to offer. We are particularly looking for a treasurer. The PTA can be contacted via pta@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

The PTA's Annual General Meeting is scheduled to take place at 7pm on Tuesday 6th December at school. The PTA warmly welcomes any parents or carers who would like to attend.

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 home address, email address or phone number, please inform the school office or email info@acle.norfolk.sch.uk so we can ensure you receive important information.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Dear Parent/Carer,

Norse Catering will be offering a Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 14th December at a cost of £2.30. Due to limited oven space, there will not be any alternative hot lunches available on this date but there will be other snacks and sandwiches available. As in previous years, only students having a Christmas Lunch will be permitted in the dining hall.

Roast Chicken with Stuffing and a Pig in Blanket

Or

Roast Vegetable Wellington (v)

Vegan option is also available

Served with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy

Dessert

Christmas Pudding with Custard Or Black Cherry Brownie with Cream

Or Gluten Free Cake with Cream

Please complete the reply slip to order your lunch and return to the kitchen by Friday 2nd December. Please tick if you are entitled to a free school meal (FSM) or enclose your cash payment with the slip.

Return to the school kitchen with payment by Friday 2nd December 2022.

Name..... Form..... FSM.....

Please Select Your main:

Roast Chicken Vegetarian Vegan.....

Please select your dessert:

Christmas Pudding Black Cherry Brownie Gluten Free Cake.....

Signed Parent/Carer.....

Acle Academy PTA Present



Christmas Disco

Years 8 & 9 15th December
7–9pm

Acle Academy, South Walsham Road, Acle
Tickets £3 - Purchase online: <https://tinyurl.com/5n96v3nz>



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