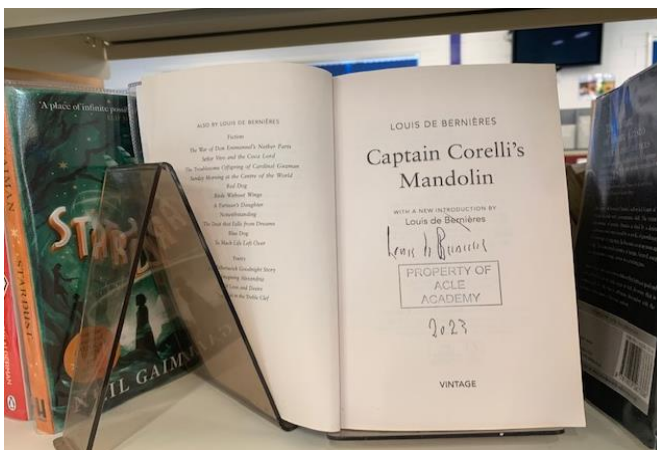


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Creative Writing Workshop with Louis de Bernieres

Twenty of our year 10 and 11 students were lucky enough to attend a creative writing workshop at Norwich Cathedral on Tuesday 18th April, accompanied by Mrs Hanner and Miss Durkin. The event was hosted by Norwich School and the guest speaker was the author Louis de Bernieres, perhaps most well known for writing the novel 'Captain Corelli's Mandolin'. The students were able to look at an English Language style creative question and were then given the opportunity to plan and write whilst receiving some invaluable advice from Louis de Bernieres himself. Two of our students were also brave enough to share their work in front of everyone else, which was wonderful to witness and a great experience for them.



Further Industrial Action

The National Education Union is taking further industrial action due to teacher pay and conditions and the lack of funding provided to schools. On Tuesday 2nd May, attendance at school will be limited to Year 10 and 11 only and all Key Stage 3 students in years 7, 8 and 9 will be set remote learning and should remain at home. Some previously contacted students have been invited in on this day.

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Year 8 Personal Development Drop Down Day - Keeping Safe

On Wednesday 19th April all of our year 8 took part in a drop down day all centred around keeping safe. A massive thank you to all our visitors from the Police, RNLI, the Red Cross and Norfolk Road Safety Unit who delivered some very interesting and informative sessions on everything from First Aid including CPR, how to keep safe in and around the water, safety and the law around E-Scooters and much more. Student's also had sessions around keeping safe online and then explored the topic of vaping, both with regards to what the law states and some of the wider medical concerns regarding vaping. I was so immensely proud of our year 8 students who got stuck in to all practical sessions, worked hard and stayed engaged and asked some brilliant questions! All our visitors commented on how lovely it was to visit them, and how they would love to come again! Well Done year 8!

- Mrs Skarin



Norfolk Neurodiversity Festival

Some of our autism ambassadors were invited along to Norfolk's Neurodiversity festival at the Forum in Norwich. The students had the chance to walk around the stalls and chat to the different companies about what their services offer as well as trying out the autism reality simulator to experience what autism might be like.

The students had a fantastic day. Here is what they had to say about it:

"I found the autism virtual reality experience interesting. It portrayed being on the spectrum well, highlighting the difficulties someone on the spectrum might face. Loud noises, flashing lights, certain smells and textures. The speech on ADHD was also interesting, diving into the Science behind how neurons within the brain of someone with ADHD works.

"I found the presentation about ADHD extremely interesting. The whole experience helped me realise exactly what life is like for those living on the spectrum"

"It was fun and very educational. Everyone liked the mask I made"

"It was an interesting and most informative experience regarding neurodivergent people"



The Carnegie Shadowing Group have been enjoying reading the shortlisted books and discussing our likes, dislikes, queries and observations for each one. We have loved our conversations with students about their reading and have been impressed, but not surprised, by the maturity with which they are discussing complicated, hard-hitting and different issues covered by the books. We will continue to meet weekly to discuss the shortlist before agreeing our winner and watching as the actual winner is announced! All the Carnegie Shortlisted books are/will be in the library for anyone to borrow.

Year 10 Careers Event

On Thursday 27th April our year 10 cohort took part in a Careers Drop down day. The day focused around meeting different local employers and getting an insight into the ever changing world of work and different employment sectors available currently.

Students had the opportunity to learn about different industries as well as the different career paths taken by our visitors. They met with Fashion Designer Sophie Miller with over 25 years' experience in the industry and currently working for local company Yarmouth Oilskins. The students loved learning more about the design and production elements and trying on the clothes. We also had Chris Page from ITV news in, a former Acle student. Kevin Webster from Oysters Yachts, Lovell's came in to teach the students about the range of careers within the Construction industry. Finally, we had the pleasure to welcome in Sarah McPherson from Miniature Donkeys for wellbeing, exploring the voluntary sector and the experience of setting up her own business.

The students thoroughly enjoyed meeting the Donkeys and having some hands-on experience. Thank you to all our visitors for your support with providing a varied careers curriculum for our students. If you are a parent and would like to get in touch about supporting the Careers provision at Acle Academy in one form or another I would love to hear from you. Please find below a link to a form to register interest or email myself on cskarin@acle.norfolk.sch.uk

[Careers Contact Form](#)





Brave the Shave

Mr Becker 'Braved the Shave' in the hall on Friday 21st April, lunchtime was full of laughs and great support. So far he has raised over £550.



"Out of the darkness and into the light!"

Mr Beckers fundraising page remains open, If you would like to make a donation please do this via the link below

<https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/mark-becker>

Rugby

Mrs Skarin had the absolute pleasure of taking 16 students from years 7, 8, and 9 to a school Rugby tournament before the Easter Break. The year 9 boys and year 7 girls won their matches, but more importantly the effort and amazing play put in by all was lovely to see. A lovely way to end the term.



We are recruiting!

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Cover Manager & Cover Supervisor
- Teacher of Design & Technology (Product Design)
- Head of Department for Physics
- Head of Year 7 (non-teaching)
- Cover Supervisor
- Mid-day Supervisor
- ICT Technician
- Invigilators
- Minibus Driver

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

[Find Current Vacancies here](#)



Future bookings for the Summer programme can be made now, follow the link below.

The Big Norfolk Holiday Fun activity programme provides holiday activities for children and young people aged 5-16 (or 4 if your child is slightly younger but in school) throughout the holidays.

Find out how to book your child onto a Big Norfolk Holiday Fun activity by watching [this video](#).

More details can be found [here](#)



Our online preloved uniform shop includes school uniform and sportswear and is accessed via our SumUp Shop by following this link:

<http://acle-academy-parent-teacher-association.sumupstore.com>

Items can be paid for online with suggested donations per item. The item can then be collected at a prearranged time with the PTA.

We are pleased to offer outgrown good quality uniforms and support families in need of them. If you wish to donate or have any queries, please contact Melanie Minns by emailing acleacademypta@gmail.com

If any parents or carers are interested in supporting the PTA at events or becoming a member please contact us by emailing pta@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 the child's timetable via ClassCharts. Please note you can no longer exchange instant chat messages with teachers or support staff.

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Rewards & Achievements News can be found [Here](#)

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

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

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.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 9th May - Parent Workshop on Body Image - 6-7pm (note change of date)

Friday 26th May - School closes @3.30pm for May half term

Monday 5th June - Back to school (week 1 timetable)

Tuesday 20th June – Parent Workshop on Bereavement – 6-7pm

Tuesday 4th July – Transition Information evening for Year 6 and their Parent/Carers 5-7.30pm

Friday 14th July – PTA Disco for Year 6 & 7 - 7-9pm

Friday 21st July – School closes early @ 1pm for the summer break



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

Our Rural Hub Term Dates can be found [Here](#)

How we've worked with primary schools this term...

Crucial Crew: We attended the Breckland area Crucial Crew and spoke to 715 year 6 pupils about staying safe online. 92% of these pupils said they had a mobile phone or device that can connect to the internet. Online gaming was the most popular activity for these young people, with 82% saying that they enjoyed doing this.

Say No. Don't Go: We are continuing to enjoy delivering our "Say No. Don't Go" presentation about the risks of County Lines with year 6 students as part of our Safer Schools pilot. This has been so successful, and there has been so much demand for a presentation like this for primary school-aged children, that we have extended the offer to some other primary schools and local Beat Managers have used this resource in schools in their areas.

How we've worked with secondary schools this term...

Key Messages: Our Key Message presentations continue to be popular in secondary schools. Our Safer Schools Support Workers have got stuck in delivering these across the county. The stats for the Spring Term look like this:

Year 7 Internet Safety – 3063 young people reached.
 Year 8 – County Lines and Knife Crime – 3994 young people reached.
 Year 9 – Grooming and Child Sexual Exploitation – 2426 young people reached.
 Year 10 – Abuse in Relationships – 3330 young people reached.

Decision-Making Programme – We have been piloting a Decision-Making Programme this term which aims to support young people to make positive choices about their behaviour. We've really enjoyed working with these small groups of young people this term!

Virtual Work Experience: We are looking forward to running our Virtual Work Experience programme during the weeks 10th to 14th July 2023 and 17th to 21st July 2023. For students in year 12 who have applied for this, watch this space!

Safer Schools Newsletter

Spring Term 2023

Hi everyone! Here's an update on what we've been up to in the Safer Schools and Youth Engagement Teams this Spring Term 2023.

If you have any comments or questions about the newsletter, please email sspteam@norfolk.pnn.police.uk
 Norfolk Constabulary Safer Schools Team

Remember, safeguarding young people is everyone's responsibility #SaferSchools

Norfolk Police
 Non-emergency 101 / Emergency 999

Other Useful Information

Online Safety.

Some of the biggest problems our Safer Schools Police Officers face in schools are centred around young people's internet use. From sharing inappropriate content, for example nude images, to accessing harmful content, such as dangerous "trends" on social media, we have seen it all. In fact, a quarter of all incidents dealt with by our Officers in schools, between September 2022 and January 2023, involved the internet and 100% of grooming incidents occurred online.


We delivered an online safety webinar for parents and carers on 9th February 2023 (Safer Internet Day). If you were unable to join the webinar and would like more information about keeping young people safe online, we have uploaded the video to YouTube. Please find it [here](#).

Further information about online safety can be found on the National Online Safety website [here](#). You can also download their app for even quicker access to information about a range of apps and games and issues to be aware of if you allow your child to use these.


For information about setting up parental controls for your children online, go to the NSPCC website [here](#).

As young people's use of the internet is increasing, so too are mental health issues. If you know a young person who is suffering, encourage them to go to www.kooth.com (for 11 – 25-year-olds), where they will find resources and online forums and can receive support from mental health professionals. There is also a service for people aged 18+. Go to www.qwell.io for this.


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Contact: norwichbranch@stevensons.co.uk

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We suggest appointments for all new starters to ensure the perfect fit.

Your schools suggested appointment window is from **Monday 24th July - Friday 28th July.**

Booking an appointment in this window allows us to maximise the school specific stock at our store and reduces the time taken to serve you.

SHOP INSTORE

Visit your local store throughout the summer on Saturdays or during their "Walk in Weeks" from **21st August**, when all our branches will be extending their opening hours until 7pm.

Your local store will be open for pre-booked appointments and Click & Collect only from **Monday 24th July.**

Please refer to our website for full opening hours.

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SCHOOL UNIFORM OUTFITTERS

The community transmission of scabies is increasing, please see the factsheet below



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PHE East of England
Health Protection Team
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Scabies

June 2016

Scabies is an allergic response to a small mite called *Sarcoptes scabiei*. The female mite tunnels into the skin and lays her eggs. The eggs hatch into mites after a few days.

How do you get scabies?

- Scabies is transferred from person to person by direct skin contact with an infected person.
- The symptoms can take up to 6 weeks to develop.
- During this time you are infectious to others.

What are the symptoms?

- Itching is often severe. Itchy skin tends to be in one area at first (often the hands), and then spreads to other parts of the body. The itch tends to be worse at night
- Most patients will also have blisters. These are commonest on the fingers and webs of the hand, but may also be found on the wrists, elbows, armpits, buttocks, thighs and feet.
- The head is not usually affected except in babies, the elderly, and people with a poor immune system.

Who should be treated?

- The affected person **and**
- All household members and sleeping/sexual partners of the affected person - *even if they have no symptoms, as close contacts may be infected without symptoms, and may pass on the mite.*

Everyone should be treated at the same time

What is the treatment?

- The usual treatment is either a cream containing permethrin or a lotion containing malathion. These will kill the mite.
- You can buy them from pharmacies or on prescription. Tell the pharmacist or doctor if treatment is for pregnant or breastfeeding women, or babies under 6 months.
- Re-apply the same treatment seven days after the first application. This helps to make sure that all the mites are killed.
- The treatments usually work well if used properly.
- However, it is normal to take up to 2-3 weeks for the itch to go completely after the mites have been killed by treatment.
- A soothing cream may help until the itch eases. An antihistamine medicine may also be useful to help you sleep if itching is a problem at night. A pharmacist can advise about these.
- See a doctor if the itch persists longer than 2-3 weeks after treatment.
- Sometimes the first treatment does not work, and a different one is then needed. However, the common reasons why treatment fails or scabies recurs are:
 - the cream or lotion was not put on correctly for the full time, or
 - a close contact was not treated at the same time, and the infection passed back and forth.

Guide to successful treatment

- Follow the instructions on the packet.
- You need to treat all the skin of your body (including the back, soles of the feet, between fingers and toes, under fingernails, scalp, neck, face, ears, and genitals).
- An adult needs at least 30 g of cream or 100 ml of lotion to cover the whole body. So, for two applications you will need at least 60 g of cream or 200 ml of lotion per adult.
- Apply the cream or lotion to cool dry skin. Do not have a hot bath beforehand as this can make the treatment less effective.
- The cream or lotion should be left on for the full recommended time. Depending on which one you use, this may be between 8 and 24 hours.
- If you wash your hands or any other part of your body during the treatment period, you should re-apply the cream or lotion to the washed areas.
- Clothes, towels, and bed linen should be machine washed after the first application of treatment.
- Items that cannot be washed should be kept in plastic bags for at least 72 hours to contain the mites until they die. It is not necessary to fumigate furniture, pets, or carpets.