

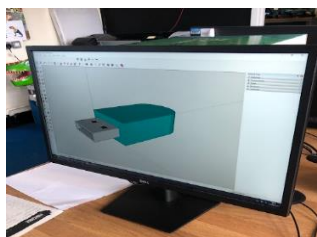
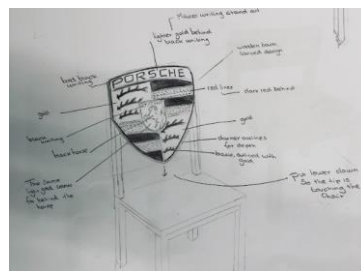
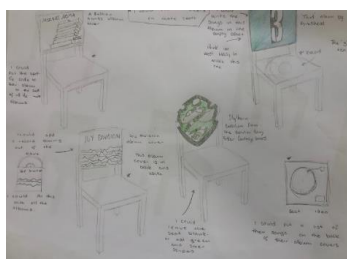
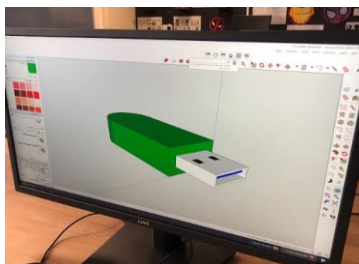
## Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

We've had a busy start to the academic year with a jam packed first half term. Thank you to all Key Stage 4 parents who attended our Information evenings- we hope you found them useful and please do refer to the slides which are on the website. Key Stage 3 students have responded very well to the 'Positively You' workshops which have helped them focus on learning skills. We've been very impressed with how Year 7 have settled into life at high school. We hope that all students have a wonderful half term break with their families and friends.

### Learner of the month- September and October

#### September nominees

We had some wonderful entries of learning from Chloe R, Oliver B, Finley B, Grace B, Lyra C, Isaac S and Georgia M in Product Design this month- all showing excellent pride in their learning.



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The September Winner of Learner of the month is Kaydi-Mae H who showed superb determination by completing extensive learning in English with her left hand despite an injury with her right hand, which is her normal writing hand! Kaydi-Mae completed her learning quickly and efficiently without making a fuss, she showed excellent resilience and determination to learn- a fantastic learning attitude from Kaydi Mae- well done!

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Year 7 historians have been nominated for their home learning task which asked them to research a significant historical person. Congratulations to Charlotte Y, Ebony B, Kody K, Maya F-P and Phebe-Star H.

## Rosa Parks

- Born on 4<sup>th</sup> February 1913 in Alabama USA to her parents James and Leona Edwards Bailey.
- Died 24<sup>th</sup> October 2005 age 92.
- She married Raymond Parks when she was 11 years old and they had three children together.
- She worked as a seamstress which was one of the few jobs that African Americans could get.
- She was called the 'first lady of civil rights'.
- 60 years ago Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a bus due to her race. The bus driver had her arrested in 1955.
- She lived at 441 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street in Montgomery and was 800 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street where she lived in a house with her mother and her sister.
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- She should have a simple act by in 1955 by refusing to change the world.

Alex L was nominated by Mrs Barber for his entry into the poetry competition entitled 'This is Me'. Alex has used an extended metaphor of himself as a website which is highly creative- he used a secure rhyme structure and produced a magnificent poem- well done Alex!

### **Me: A Website**

I'm going to build my website  
We have the monitor  
Now we need a personal computer  
For the base  
We have the PC case  
Then we have the motherboard  
To keep the components aboard  
We have the CPU  
For the brain power  
We have the GPU  
To make the display glamour  
We have the RAM  
To store data from the program  
We have the Storage drive  
For the data to thrive  
Then to power it  
We have the power supply unit  
Once it's all plugged in  
It's time to begin  
Install windows 11  
Newer than windows 10  
Now waiting for it to download  
Soon it's time to code  
After waiting a while  
We need to make a file  
Name it index.HTML  
Let's hope it goes well  
Then install VS code  
Wait for it to download  
Then I can build my website



## The October Winner of Learner of the Month

Jenson H has created in Textiles a mood board homework piece for Day of the Dead (Día de los Muertos) it's incredible!



## Sailing Residential Trip

Miss Jarvis had the recent pleasure of taking a group of five Year 9 boys (all RYA 1 qualified) on a sailing residential trip with Hunter's Yard at Ludham courtesy of the Ranworth Trust. Unfortunately the weather was not terribly kind, but never the less, the boys spent three days learning how to manoeuvre a 40ft motor cruiser, each spending time helming, learning to moor as well as negotiating other river craft, which at times was "interesting"! They spent two nights on-board their sailing cruisers, which proved to be a fantastic bonding process as well as learning how to rig them, prepare the boat for sleeping on and again for sailing, as well as using the handling skills they possess to sail down the river Thurne with virtually no input from instructors, which was fantastic to witness. The last day was beautiful - sunshine and a light wind enabled the boys to have a leisurely sail which brought all of their old and new skills together. Much fun was had and I am so proud of how you all conducted yourselves, but more so about how you pulled together as a team, albeit making a right motley crew!

With grateful thanks to The Ranworth Trust, Hunter's Yard and Ms John for making this possible. - Miss Jarvis





## **GCHQ Language Careers**

On Wednesday afternoon, 80 year 9 students took part in a live careers session via a video link with GCHQ learning about careers as a languages analyst in the security service. This was an amazing opportunity as we were one of only 9 schools in the country who were chosen to take part.

There was a talk about the work of the security service in keeping the country safe from threats such as organised crime and how language analysis feeds into this. This was a fascinating insight into the work they do on a daily basis and the different pathways into working for the security service. We also learnt about the vast range of languages that they use in GCHQ in their code breaking and analysis work.

For the second part of the session we were put into virtual groups where we worked on a true-to-life scenario involving language analysis and code breaking in our languages (French or German)

We were challenged to break a code and translate a conversation in order to stop drugs being brought into the country or a terrorist attack taking place.

The students were exceptional both in their behaviour in the session, which involved active listening, and in asking some really interesting questions in the Q&A session at the end.

Mrs Carrington and Miss Harveyson



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## YEAR 7 PARENT/CARER ENGAGEMENT EVENING THURSDAY 2ND NOV 2023

Year 7 parents and carers are invited to our engagement evening on Thursday 2nd November 6pm - 7.30pm. Join us to discover how you can help support your child at home with workshops on:

- Learning habits and routines
- Using online platforms to support learning at home
- How to research and summary skills
- Developing reading

*Please sign up to the event using the following link or scan the QR code : <https://forms.gle/XcorUcqP5j1NLPob9>*



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# ACLE ACADEMY WELLBEING WORKSHOP

## TUES 14TH NOV 2023

We would like to invite you to our parent / carer workshop on supporting your child's wellbeing on Tuesday 14th November 6.00pm to 7.15pm

Our introduction and workshops will cover the following topics:

- The teenage brain
- Online safety
- Body Image
- The 'typical adolescent'
- School stress
- Healthy routines



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## National Road Safety Week 19<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> November

Ahead of National Road Safety Week 2023, we were pleased to welcome Mr Nattrass the Young Driver Education Coordinator, from the Roads and Armed Policing Team into school to meet year 7 and 8 in assembly.

Mr Nattrass, delivered an assembly on the fatal four and part of the National Road Safety week, an annual event dedicated to promoting road safety awareness and advocating for safer roads and responsible driving behaviour. He informed students about how they can support each other to keep safe and what the rules surrounding e-scooters currently are! Thank you for coming and meeting and informing our students.



## PE

We have had another fantastic two weeks in the PE department with more rugby days at North Walsham rugby club for the year 7 boys and year 7-9 girls and we have organised for some of the Vikings to come in to school to coach a rugby unit for the girls in November and the boys in January.

We have played many more netball, football and rugby matches with star performances from our year 11 football team who had another massive win with a 9-0 score against Hellesdon; our year 7 football team who beat Sprowston 8-0 and our year 10 football team who beat Notre Dame 7-1. Also a big congratulations to our year 7 netball team who came third in their first local tournament with Eden Janse V-V being nominated as player of the tournament.

We look forward to providing many more opportunities next half term!

## **This year's school production**

The drama department is pleased to announce that this academic year's school production of Shrek JR will go live on 13th, 14th and 15th December, from 19:30! Ticket sales information will be published in due course. The students have worked extremely hard on the production, and have been leading workshops, rehearsals and designing props and set throughout the process - a real student-led project! We can't wait to show you the talented performers Acle Academy has and hope to see you there at the show in December.



## **Costume / Props: Community Plea from Mr Frost**

Mr Frost and his drama ambassador students are working hard this year to ensure that our drama department is as good as it can be. As part of this, we are always looking for costumes and props to add to the department. Therefore, if you have any old clothes or items that you are willing to donate, they will be gratefully received by Mr Frost. Please contact him via email on [gfrost@acle.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:gfrost@acle.norfolk.sch.uk) and he will be happy to arrange collection. Many thanks in advance.



## Year 11 Careers Drop Down Morning

On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> October all year 11s took part in a careers drop down morning, where they got to meet employers from three of the big sectors in our local area, learning about Labour market information. They also had sessions on different routes with regards to post 16 education, where Apprenticeship Norfolk came in and informed the students about both T-Levels and Apprenticeships.

Finally, the students had an opportunity to take part in a mock interview, where they got a chance to think about interview skills, and get feedback from our volunteer employers! The visitors were impressed with our year 11 students, as was I. A massive thank you to employers, parents and governors for supporting the event!

Some of the lovely feedback from our visitors:

***'Just a little note to say how much I enjoyed interviewing the yr. 11's. They were polite and engaging and a pleasure to spend time with. Happy to help next time you need someone'!***

***'I just wanted to say thanks for today. The interviews were great and the students all did really well. As I mentioned there were a couple of standouts:***

***Lucas C was just fabulous! Articulate, keen to learn and incredibly polite.***

***Sophie H was a model interviewee; genuinely very little, she could improve on!***

***Both my colleague and I really enjoyed it.***

***Thanks again'***

Well done to our year 11s!

Mrs Skarin





## Do you want to train to be a lifeguard?

The Wensum Trust is giving people the opportunity to gain a National Pool Lifeguard qualification.

The Trust is running the RLSS National Pool Lifeguard Qualification at Alderman Peel High School in Wells-next-the-Sea between the 27th October and Saturday 11th November 2023.

The qualification is an excellent starting point for a career in the leisure industry and is recognised around the world, providing an opportunity for work and travel.

With the minimum age to take part being 16-years-old, it is also great for students looking for a qualification which not only supports their career aspirations but can also lead to part-time job opportunities.

The course provides essential life skills, including First Aid and CPR - and those taking part in the course will have access to work opportunities at Sport-A-Peel, based at Alderman Peel High School.

The course runs on the following dates:

Friday 27th October - 5pm to 9pm  
Sunday 29th October - 10am to 6pm  
Saturday 4th November - 10am to 6pm  
Sunday 5th November - 10am to 6pm  
Wednesday 8th November - 5pm to 9pm  
Saturday 11th November - 4pm to 8pm (Exam)

The cost of the course is being subsidised by the Wensum Trust and is a total of £225.00.

If you are interested in applying, please contact Kris Hart at [k.hart@wensumtrust.org.uk](mailto:k.hart@wensumtrust.org.uk)

If you are 16 and a Pupil Premium student contact Mrs Skarin at [cskarin@acle.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:cskarin@acle.norfolk.sch.uk) to discuss potential support.

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/do-you-want-to-train-to-be-a-lifeguard>



## **Y11 PPE Information**

**Please follow the link to the Year 11 PPE (Pre-Public Examinations) Timetable November – December 2023**

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/site/data/files/users/75/8435064572A12A88988F77A1557C571F.pdf>



### **Safe Parking**

Please may we remind parents **not** to park on the single yellow lines outside the school during drop off and pick up times, come into the school grounds during these busy times or park in the school lay by.

We have lots of buses and taxis that need to come into the school grounds and additional cars pose safety issues. Please can we urge all parents who collect their children to use the vast parking spaces available behind the Methodist Church. This is only a short distance from the school and will allow children to walk safely to and from school. Additionally, parents may choose to park on Mill Lane behind the school and children can exit via the back field.





## Uniform

Please could we remind all parents/carers to label uniform, we are experiencing high levels of lost property, especially ties.



# Help with living costs

You may be struggling with living costs for a range of reasons. This leaflet tells you what support is available and how to get advice. You can also find this information on our website [www.norfolk.gov.uk/costofliving](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/costofliving). If you don't have access to the internet at home, you can go online at any of our Norfolk libraries.

There is also a cost of living hub provided by the government which contains useful information. This can be found at [www.gov.uk/cost-of-living](http://www.gov.uk/cost-of-living).

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**['Help with living costs' link to more information](#)**

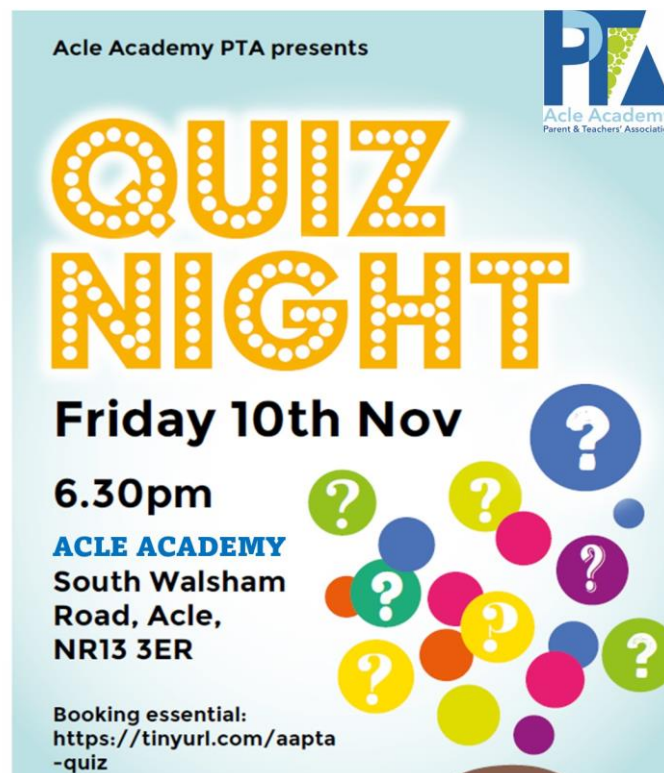
## We are recruiting!

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Head of Character & Culture
- Invigilators
- Progress Tutor for Mathematics
- Caretaker
- Administrative Assistant (Maternity Cover)

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](#)



**£7.50 Adults - £2.50 Children**

**Ticket includes Burger/Hot dog and chips. Veggie etc available**

**Tea, coffee and soft drinks available to purchase on night or  
bring your own!**

**Max 8 members per team**

<https://tinyurl.com/aapta-quiz>



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.

If you have any uniform donations please drop these off to the school office.

**If you would like to join the PTA please contact them by email**

[pta@acle.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:pta@acle.norfolk.sch.uk)

**Our next event is the Quiz night on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

**Tickets can be purchased via**

<https://tinyurl.com/aapta-quiz>



## **Please remember to check ClassCharts**

ClassCharts is our main form of communication to keep up to date with daily progress, updates and messages. ClassCharts is used to communicate pride points, behaviour points and interventions. We also use this platform for parent announcements. As part of the home school agreement we ask parents to check this regularly, at least on a weekly basis. 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 a child's timetable via ClassCharts.

**Scan the QR code to visit our website and follow us on Facebook and Instagram**





**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

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – School closes for half term @ 3.30pm

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – School reopens – all year groups' return.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Year 7 Engagement Evening - 6.30-8pm

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Quiz night 6.30-9.30pm

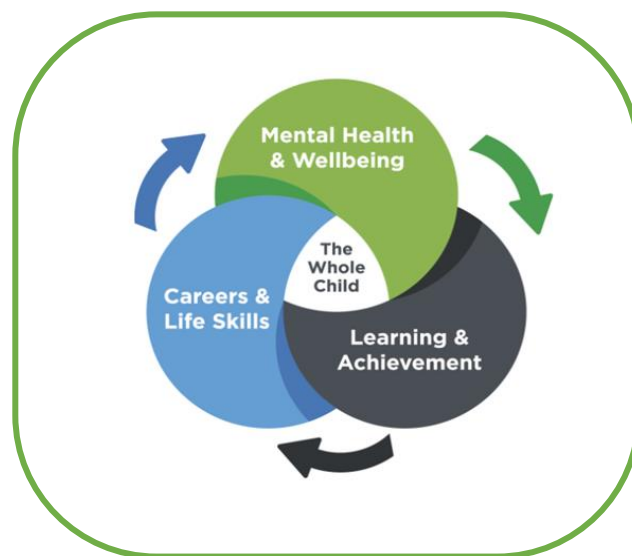
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Workshop evening 6-7.15pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Year 11 Reunion 6.30-7.30pm

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Year 10 Parents' Evening – 4.30-7.30pm

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> & Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December - School Production – 7.30-8.30pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School closes for the Christmas Break @ 1pm – All transport home will operate at this time.



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

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

# Bingo Night

Join us for a night of fun!  
Many Prizes to be won.  
Raffle and refreshments available

£6 a book, purchased on the night.  
Families welcome  
All funds raised go to  
Acle United Football Club.

## 11TH NOV, 2023

DOORS OPEN 6.30PM -- EYES DOWN FOR 7PM



*Acle Social Club, Bridewell Lane,  
Acle, NR13 3RA*

