

Newsletter – 1st December 2023



Congratulations to Mr Sayce, Daniel Keenan and Lincoln Thomas for their fantastic efforts raising money for Movember through the Move for Movember Challenge. Mr Sayce raised £780 and Daniel raised £187 and Lincoln raised £85. They were joined by our Charity Service area who held a bake sale. Together our community has raised over £1085 for this worthy cause to date.

If you would like to contribute to their cause, there is still time. Please visit

Mr Sayce

<https://uk.movember.com/mospace/15030343...>

Daniel Keenan

<https://uk.movember.com/mospace/15127661...>

Lincoln Thomas

<https://uk.movember.com/mospace/15126878?mc=1...>

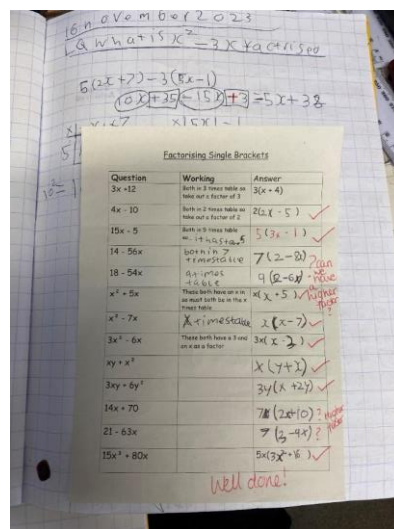
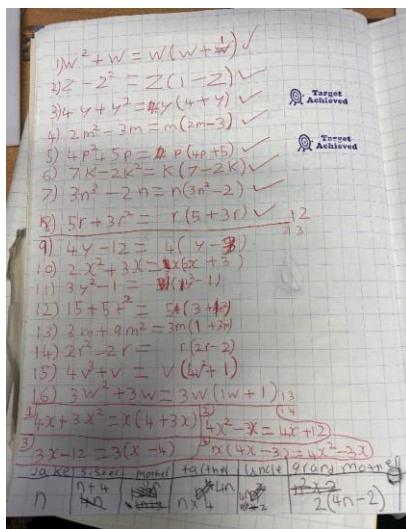


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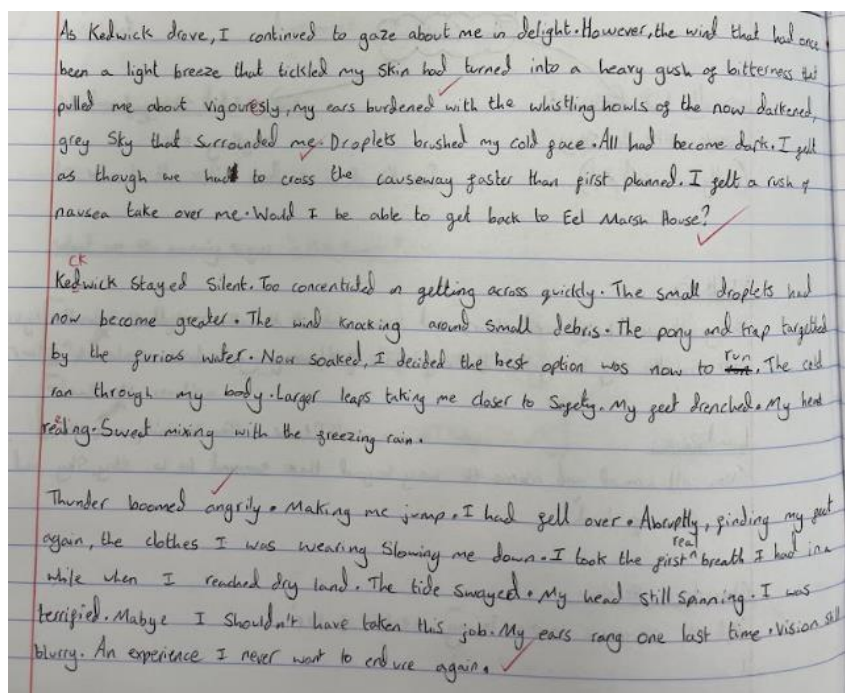
WENSUM TRUST



Bobby Read showed great learning in Maths- completed the expected learning shown above and then went on to complete questions from a GCSE textbook. Bobby showed great resilience, motivation and determination.



Congratulations to **Sarah Hamilton** for her fantastic descriptive writing in English



Masie Canham produced some wonderful creative writing in Year 8 English.

This car was the first one of its kind and was once very famous. It has served a family their very first car and has been used to create many memories. This antique car is the perfect project to renovate and be used as a family car once again.

Wednesday 11th October

I opened the door to the kitchen, as I walked in, the smell of fear met me. I looked around, all the furniture was outdated and had a thick layer of dust covering it like a blanket. The chairs and table ~~seemed~~ ~~as if~~ looked like they were still being used although no one had set foot in the house for over 50 years. All the doors had been left open except the kitchen door. The bottle on the rusty stove still had water in it and seemed like it had been boiled years ago ready to make a cup of tea. I ~~then~~ stared up at the lampshade on the ceiling ~~and~~ it had a yellow hue to it and ~~looked~~ seemed like it was white once before. I stood. A whisper. I snapped & my head around to look behind me. Nothing. My heart began to pound like a drum in my chest. Suddenly ~~my~~ the door behind me slammed shut.

I bolted into the living room and stood for a minute to catch my breath. I began to feel my heart rate slow down so I started to search the room. The first thing that caught my eye was the gun that stood upright against the green velvet sofa, the tiger skin rug layed out on the floor and the old bouquet of rotting flowers on the coffee table. A sudden rush of terror overwhelmed me. A small chair next to the fireplace began to rock. I was the only one in the house and the wind was subtle. The ~~floor~~ olive-green carpet was covered in old sweet wrappers and what looked like ripped newspaper. There was so much to look at in the room but I couldn't take my eyes off of the gun which was a threat.

Friday 17th November

I quickly left the living room and made my way upstairs. My heart dropped. Shivers ran up my spine. I counted 28 g toilet holes in the master bedroom door. Cautiously, I slowly & opened the door and as I did it let out a massive scream. I crept in, palms sweating and legs shaking. The room was obliterated ~~and~~ ~~demolished~~ ~~demolished~~ What had Chesterfield done? There was a painting of what looked like a lighthouse surrounded by rising water.

Click! Crash! Bang! The lights flickered. The door slammed.

Suddenly, the ~~the~~ light house flew off the wall and landed by my feet. What was going on? Did I just encounter a ghost? I had never believed in the paranormal but now I ~~for~~ instantaneously did. A whisper. I screamed. It was a deep sinister voice. Chester?

I couldn't stay here any longer. I had to leave immediately. I walked towards the destroyed door which had slammed behind me just minutes before. I tried to wiggle the door handle but it wouldn't move. Why was it being so stubborn? Click. It opened. I sprinted. Down the stairs, through the kitchen and out of the front door. I felt energy behind me. Was I being chased by an entity? I speedily jumped into the car, turned the engine on and accelerated away from this horrible, haunted house.

Georgia Mavroudis showed superb analytical skill and self-reflection in her GCSE analysis of 'An Inspector Calls'

Tuesday 10th October 2013

How has Priestley used language to leave the inspectors final speech so powerful?

In the play An Inspector Calls, J.B. Priestley uses language techniques to convey a huge sense of power throughout the inspectors final speech.

Priestley uses triple crescendos by listing his words in groups of three: 'their lives, their hopes and fears'. This is very emotive language and by Priestley listing them, it creates a powerful atmosphere for the reader. He has purposefully and intelligently done this in short snappy sentences to really emphasise how confident and clear he is in what he is saying. This makes the inspector sound like he is winning.

Priestley repeats collectively 'we' along with the language technique of Anaphora 'We don't live alone. We are members... We are responsible'. The word 'we' clashes with what Mr Birling thinks. All Mr Birling thinks about is himself and his business, however by the inspector saying 'we' it means everyone is responsible for the downfall of Eva Smith. This also sends a message across to the reader that not everything about life is about yourself and that 'we' are all responsible for each other.

Lastly, Priestley uses another triple crescendo to end his speech, he uses figurative language 'they will be taught in fire and blood and anguish'. Priestley has made the inspectors speech richer and

powerful by using figurative language. He makes the reader feel empathetic in the strong words he uses. The words he has chosen. The words 'blood', 'fire', 'anguish' may have been chosen to be associated with death.

In summary, this is how Priestley conveyed a very powerful speech through the inspector, playing many language techniques making the reader truly understand the message he is trying to get across 'there are millions and millions of Eva Smiths and John Smiths'. This makes the audience think to themselves 'there are many women and men out there just like Smith. Maybe they know someone in real life just like Eva Smith'. J.B. Priestley creates a huge impact on the audience.

'lives' suggests to the audience to think about a deeper understanding and makes them think to themselves if they could potentially know an Eva Smith or perhaps be one. It makes the audience think about the lives of others and their own.

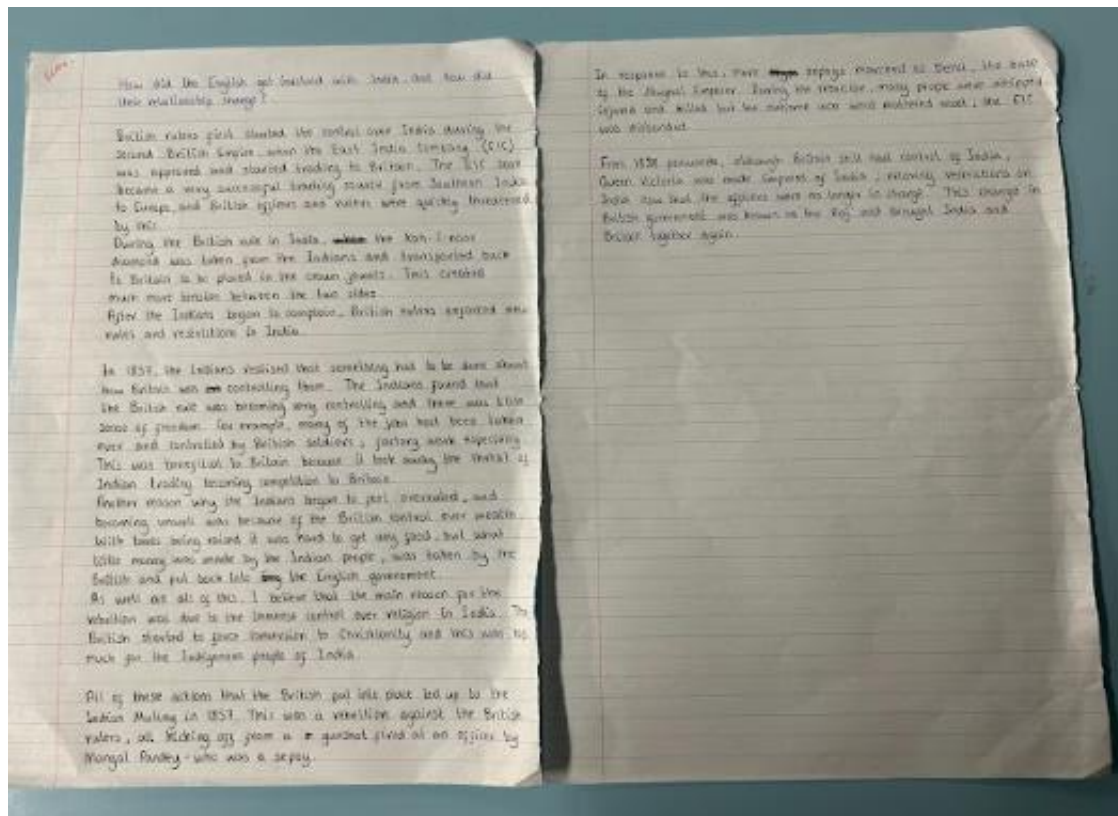
A brilliant ending. You have totally understood the purpose of the play.

I absolutely LOVED reading this, Georgina! Thankyou! Be very proud of yourself.

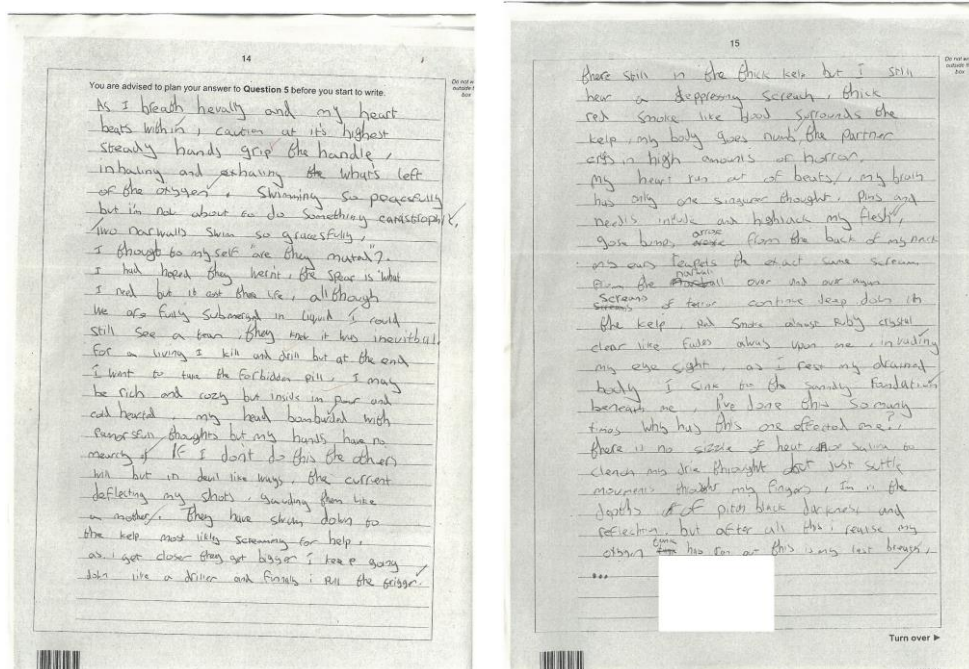
I can't wait to read your next essay.

Bethany Jarrett has received a nomination for her work in German. She has started German with such a positive attitude and even when she finds something difficult, will persevere until she has got it right. She is a fantastic role model and frequently demonstrates how to answer a question to others on her table. Bethany always tries to complete challenge tasks and goes above and beyond with her home learning to ensure she is prepared for every lesson. Well done Bethany!

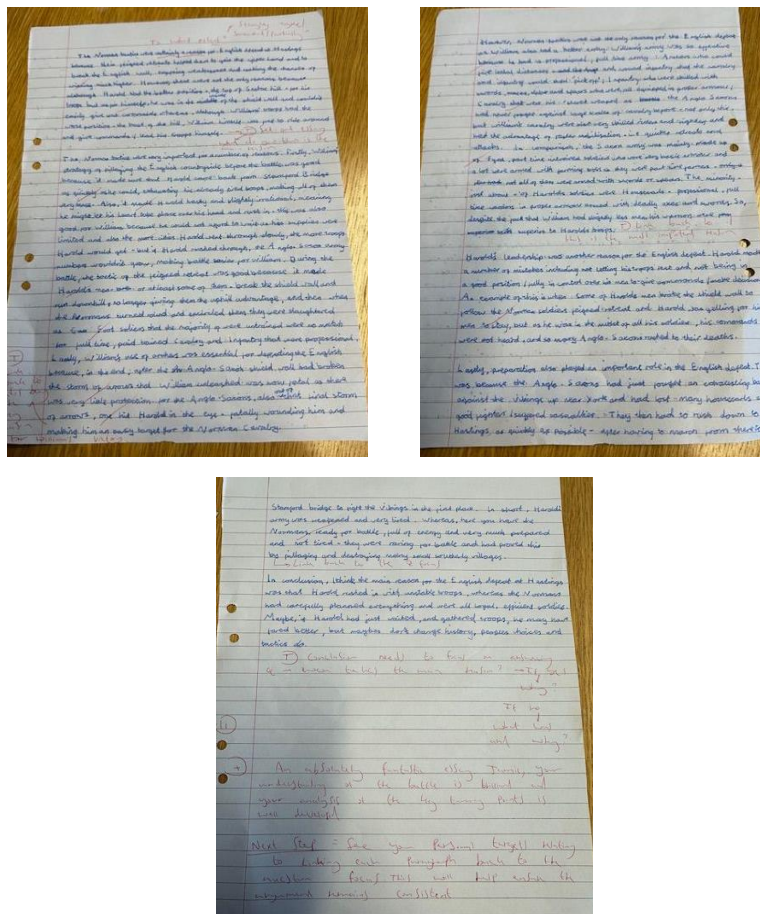
Esme Artherton-Howlett showed superb analytical skill in her History essay- Well done Esme!



Zack Button in Year 11 has produced some wonderful creative writing in English.



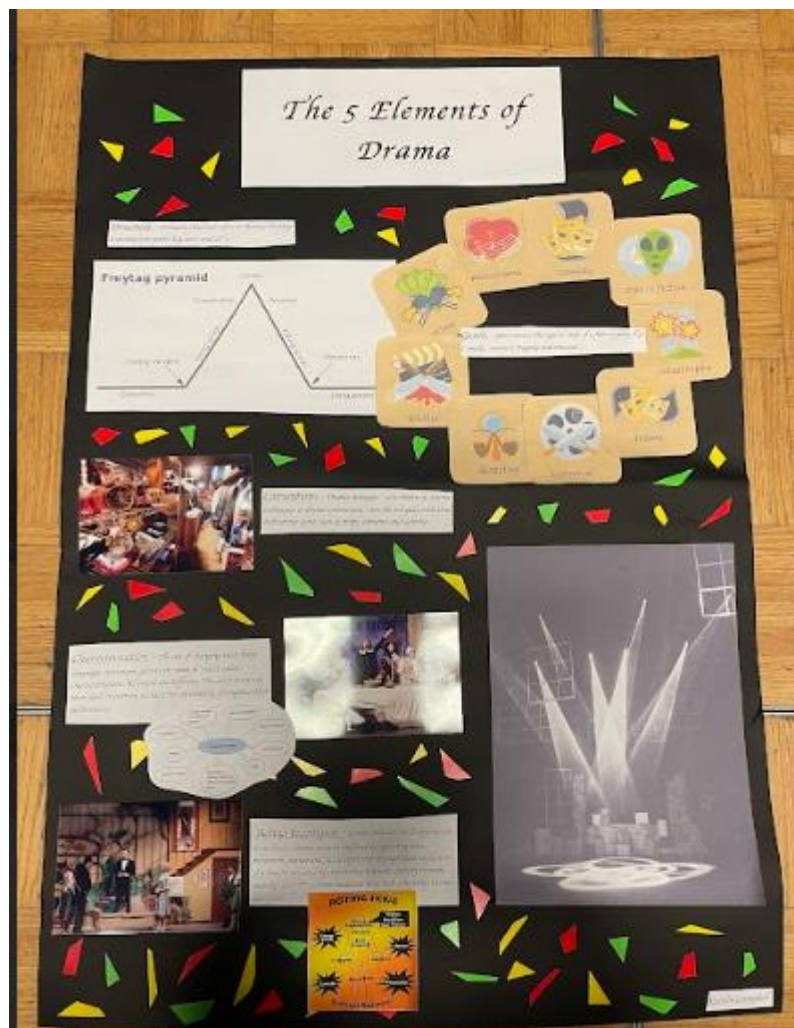
Jamie Singh in Year 7 History has been nominated for his wonderful essay by Mr Sayce on the Battle of Hastings.

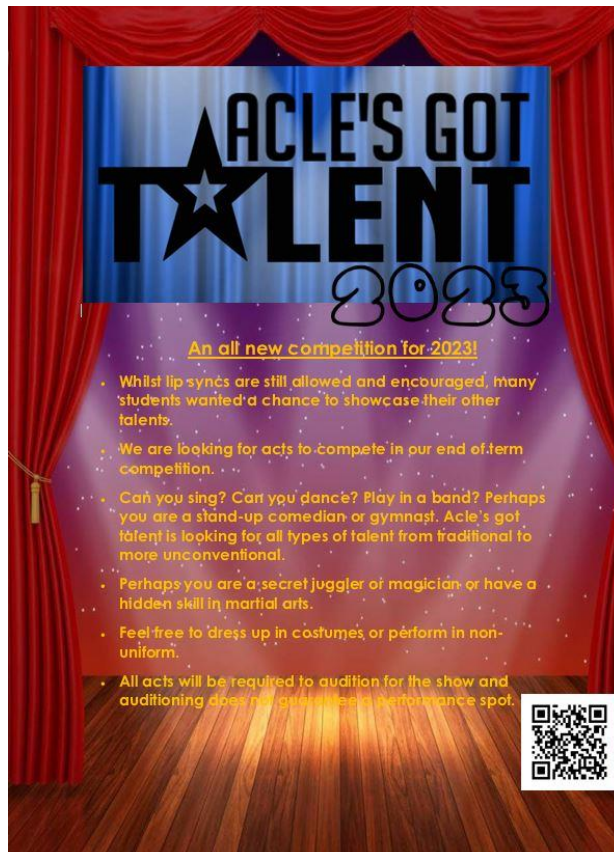




Kaitlin Campbell

Congratulations to this month's winner Kaitlin. The home learning was designed to recap the 5 elements of drama and present them in the form of a poster. Kaitlin has gone above and beyond, not just with regards to the content, but also in terms of presentation and the accompanying images. It shows that as a learner, Kaitlin understands these elements and how they contribute to making theatre. Fantastic work Kaitlin!





Reunion

It was wonderful to welcome back our Leavers from 2023 for our Year 11 Reunion. We celebrated their GCSE success and awarded students in every subject for progress and achievement. It was a wonderful evening to celebrate the hard work and determination of our students and it was lovely to catch up with them and hear about their next steps. Thank you to all who supported.



★ Congratulations ★

Some of your pupils have been selected for publication!

Recently as part of our English writing lessons, some of our key stage three pupils entered a national poetry competition titled 'This is Me: I am...'. They were asked to write thoughtful poems about themselves, their interests, their attitudes and opinions in any form of poetry they wished.

I am proud to say that a number of our students' poems have been chosen for publication. If your child's poem has been chosen, a ClassCharts announcement will have been sent to you as there is a link to follow for you to give permission for their work to be included.

The deadline for permission is 15th December 2023.

A big well done to all who entered. There will be more opportunities to enter writing competitions throughout the year.



GCHQ National Languages Competition

Last week 23 students from Year 9 took part in the GCHQ National Languages Competition.

Throughout the week the students, who were divided into six 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 Acle team who won the Acle MFL Pride challenge and came in the top 10% nationally. We are really proud of you!

- Mrs Carrington





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

Children eligible for benefits-related free school meals can claim free spaces on the activities, whilst paid spots are available on many activities for those who don't. Children can take part in sport, cooking, crafts, dance and outdoor activities.

Find out more about this in our [FAQ section](#).

Activities are running on 21st-22nd December and 2nd-3rd January 2024 for 4-16 year olds.

What is Big Norfolk Holiday Fun - <https://youtu.be/UzZNnJkl0Vw>

How to book your child onto Big Norfolk Holiday Fun activities - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x2wH2GF-uws>

Online booking is now available for most providers visit: <https://www.everymove.uk/inspiration/big-norfolk-holiday-fun-activities>

A promotional poster for Big Norfolk Holiday Fun. At the top, logos for the Department for Education, Norfolk County Council, and active norfolk are displayed. The main headline reads 'Want to try something new during the winter holidays?' in white text on a blue background. Below this, a red banner specifies the dates '21st - 22nd Dec and 2nd - 3rd Jan'. The text states: 'If you are eligible for benefits-related free school meals you can take part in free activity days over the holidays.' It then says 'Book a session and drop in to see what it's like!'. A list of activities is provided: 'Choose from' followed by 'Football and multi-sports', 'Water sports', 'Drama', 'Dance', 'Music', and 'Outdoor adventure activities'. Below the list, it says 'And lots more!'. There are two photographs: one showing children in helmets and safety gear participating in an outdoor activity, and another showing a group of diverse children smiling. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner, and the text 'Book today! www.everymove.uk' is at the bottom right.



Opening Times

From everyone at Stevensons, we're sending you our best wishes and a little note to say that we are closing our stores over the Christmas holidays so staff can spend time with their family and friends.

We're closed from 18th December until 1st January.

We re-open on the 2nd of January

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

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Christmas Lunch – Thursday 14th December

Last orders extended to Tuesday 5th December

[Order Form](#)

Please drop the order form and payment if applicable directly to the canteen.



Our year 7 teams have had a fantastic start to the year! The football team remain unbeaten this season, recently securing a 4-2 victory against Open Academy with Ollie S being named as player of the match; and the netball team finished third in a local tournament at Venture with Maddy M and Eden JVV being selected as players of the tournament.

Other players who received player of the game status this half term are as follows:

Daisy S - Year 10 Netball

Melissa P - Year 10 Netball

Reuben M - Year 10 Rugby

Isla S - Year 9 Football

Thea W – Year 9 Netball

Well done and keep up the brilliant work!

Please find a link below to the recent letter sent home to Parents and Carers regarding Personal Responsibility

[Important Notice Regarding Student Preparedness and Equipment - Personal Responsibility](#)



Sweets and Energy Drinks

We would like to gently remind families that we do not expect students to be coming into school with large quantities of sweets. We have noticed that some of our younger students seem to be filling up on sweets in the morning and then find it difficult to concentrate. If staff see students with large quantities of sweets, these will be confiscated. Likewise, students must not bring energy drinks or fizzy drinks to school- these are prohibited items. Thank you for your support.



This year we will be running Santa Dash on Tuesday 19th December during the morning. We are going to be raising money for EACH <https://www.each.org.uk/>

Students will have a time slot in which they will complete as many laps of the field as possible (running or walking!). Please ensure that students who sign up have suitable footwear with the mud on the field, suitable outerwear in case of bad weather too. If students wish to sign up and raise money for charity, please use the following link: <https://forms.gle/oEv93LTu9KjuToKaA> Santa hats are encouraged and any festive wear!



The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

Scan the QR code to
take part



**CHILDREN'S
COMMISSIONER**

www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition





Wednesday 13th December

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/753749062737?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Thursday 14th December

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/756174808207?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Friday 15th December

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/756176483217?aff=oddttdtcreator>





Y11 PPE Information

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

[Year 11 PPE Timetable Nov-Dec 2023](#)



Advance Notice – School closes for the Christmas Break at 1pm on Wednesday 20th December. All transport will run at this time. A replacement bus service will operate for the First Bus 905 Service.

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.



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. 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.

Winter 2023/24



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

We are recruiting!

We currently have the following vacancies in our team:

- Receptionist (Maternity Cover)
- Teaching Assistant with Dyslexia Specialism
- Head of Character and Culture

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](#)



PTA Christmas Raffle Reminder

Please return your PTA Christmas Raffle tickets if you wish to take part in the raffle with the correct funds, if the raffle tickets are unused please return them to form tutors or the school office.

We have a fantastic hamper and other prizes up for grabs and it's a wonderful way to celebrate the spirit of giving while supporting a cause that directly benefits our school.





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



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



Fairhaven Primary School at South Walsham would like an additional Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our friendly and supportive team.



We are looking for a someone who:

- is calm, caring and patient
- enjoys the company of children and getting to know them well
- is ready to play games
- is a good role model for the children
- is fair, consistent and supports school policies
- is flexible and has a good sense of humour

The role is varied and includes:

- setting up, cleaning and clearing away tables and benches
- helping serve the lunches and encouraging the children to eat well and develop good eating habits
- supporting children when things go wrong
- managing and supervising indoor and outdoor play

We would like someone who can work on Monday and Wednesday between 12.30pm and 1.45pm and Tuesday between 11.45am and 1pm. The hourly rate of pay is £11.69 per hour. This is a term time only contract. From time to time, there will also be the opportunity for extra hours to cover absence.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All staff appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Application forms can be obtained from the office or downloaded from the Norfolk Schools vacancies website.



Link to the advert is below

[Fairhaven MSA job](#)

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

Rewards & Achievements News 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

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

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

Thursday 4th January – All students
return to school (Week 1 Timetable)

Tuesday 9th January – Year 9
Engagement Evening 6.30-8pm

Thursday 11th January – Year 11
Parents' Evening 4.30-7.30pm

Thursday 25th January - Year 9 Parents'
Evening 4.30-7.30pm

Thursday 1st February – Year 11
Revision Evening 6-7.30pm



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

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