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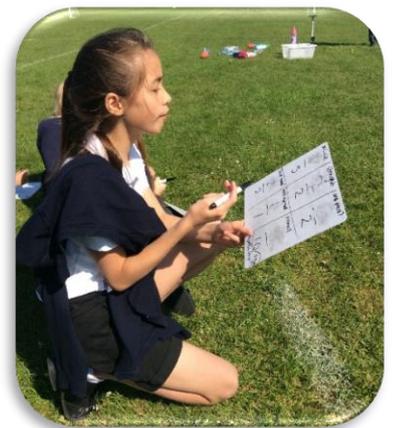
### Cross Curricular Project

This week all the children have been engrossed in our latest fantastic cross curricular project, based around 'George's Marvelous Medicine' by Roald Dahl. In the story, George makes a new medicine for his miserable, grumpy old grandma with some extraordinary results. In assembly on Tuesday, the children met some of the characters from the story, as well as a very confused police officer who was trying to work out what had happened to Grandma! The children were challenged to see if they could prove that George could have made a potion that changed colour, fizzed and popped, then made grandma shoot up in the air and grow as tall as a house.



Working in mixed age groups, the children have done a range of marvelous experiments, creating rockets that pop and fly higher than the roof, made balloons go whizzing across the room, created potions that fizz and bubble and turn amazing colours, watched what happens when materials burn, and used their imaginations to create some marvelous medicines of their own. They have recorded their observations using tables, charts and graphs and there has been a huge amount of scientific language and vocabulary used as the children expressed their ideas and explained their results.

All in all a fantastic week and lots of fun and learning by all – including the staff!



Video: <https://upload.teachertube.com/video/science-cross-curricular-project-473486>

## MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to all the children who received Merit certificates today: Allana Moppett (RW), Amber Dixon (1L), Maria Crook (2T), Luca Ellerington (3M), Ava Thompson (4HT), Annabelle Hill (5J) and Scarlett John (6LO).

### ATTENDANCE

Our target school attendance figure is 97%

Our current figure is...  
**96.18% ↓**

### Football winners!

A huge well done to the two football teams who represented the school this week at the Cluster competition which was held on Tuesday afternoon at Lingwood Primary. All the teams had to play each other, in a round robin format, throughout the afternoon, with pupils split into lower and upper KS2 age bands. At the end of the afternoon our Year 3 and 4 team had emerged as winners of their competition, having managed to keep a clean sheet in every single game! Our older pupils also played extremely well, finishing in runner up position, just losing out to Cantley.

Well done to all the pupils involved in the football tournament, and to Mr Joyce and Mr Pickett for training up the teams and supervising them on the day.

### Arriving at school

Our school staff supervise pupils on the school playground from 8.45 each morning.

For working parents needing earlier supervision for their children, we run our very successful Breakfast Club each morning, from 7.45 until 8.45, after which they are taken out to the school playground to join everyone else arriving at that time. There are a few pupils arriving at school unsupervised well before 8.45. In cases where pupils arrive very early to school we do expect parents to make use of our Breakfast Club facility. Booking forms can be accessed via the school office and the school's website.

### "Stones and Bones" class visit

As part of the Year 3 / 4 topic of "Stones and Bones", Dave Clarke (a local expert) came in on Tuesday afternoon with his metal detector and lots of his finds, which were all discovered in Acle. These included Roman coins, Roman bricks and lots of prehistoric flint tools. He explained how he made his findings and the children really enjoyed handling all these artefacts and asking him lots of questions about them. Mr Clarke has several findings which are also exhibited in museums locally.

### Parentmail and Pupil Asset

Our Parentmail contract runs out today. We will be using Pupil Asset to send emails and texts after today. We are hoping to have the Pupil Asset Parents App live during the week after half term, to allow you to order lunches and log absences we will provide instructions on how to use this in due course.

Emails will come from [AcleStEdmund@pupilasset.co.uk](mailto:AcleStEdmund@pupilasset.co.uk) please add this address to your contacts list to avoid our emails ending up in your junk email box.

### Elklan celebration

As you may already know, all the Acle Cluster Primary schools have achieved 'Communication Friendly Schools' status having completed Elklan speech and language training over the past two years. We held a celebration event to mark this achievement earlier this week, presenting certificates to those teachers and TAs within each school who had worked hard to gain their Elklan qualifications. Mrs Gentle, Mrs Welch, Miss Owen and two of our pupils, Lorna and Tomas, spoke to Radio Norfolk about their experiences and how the training has had an impact on the way we communicate in school.

Mr Henery is shown here with our plaque, which will be displayed in school shortly.



## Data Protection changes (GDPR)

From today, the UK's Data Protection Act 1998 is being replaced by a new law called the GDPR (the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016). This law governs how we collect, use and share people's information and provides greater rights to individuals and control over how their information is handled by organisations, including schools.

We have already taken a number of steps to review and update our processes around how we are handling your information and have appointed an external Data Protection Officer, from Data Protection Education, to help us get ready for the changes. Data Protection Education will also be supporting other Primary schools within our local cluster of schools. We will publish more information about how we are meeting the GDPR on our website in due course. We have attached, with this newsletter, a Privacy Notice for pupils and families explaining how we handle pupil information, what rights you have and how to exercise them and our policies around this. This is also accessible on the website, along with a short animated film explaining what GDPR is all about, in the context of schools.

If in the meantime you would like to know more about the GDPR and your rights, please visit the UK's data protection regulator, the Information Commissioner's Office at [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Should you have any queries regarding the GDPR and our school, please email us at email: [office@acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk)

### Owl Club

A reminder that Owl Club will only be open until 5pm after the half term break. New information packs and booking forms have been uploaded to the website. Please also note there will be no Owl Club on the last day of term, 24<sup>th</sup> July.

**School Non-Uniform Day** A huge THANK YOU from FOSA for all the lovely BBQ & Fete donations received today for the non-uniform day. If you forgot to bring something in today, we will be accepting items after half term also. Raffle tickets are being sent home today so please get selling!

### Acle Academy afternoon tea transition event

The Academy have asked us to remind Year 6 parents to return the reply slip to them asap to confirm whether you are attending this event.

### Cluster Song and Dance Festival

We have started to practise our performance routine and songs for the annual Cluster Song and Dance event, to be held at The Open, Norwich, on June 14 at 7 pm. Pupils selected to take part in this exciting and popular event have been given a separate letter to take home today. Please can parents of children involved let us know as soon as possible how many tickets they require for this event.

We hope that you all have a very enjoyable half term and look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday 4 June.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June

- Tues 5 Football club starts
- Thurs 7 Year 1&2 joint Show & Tell
- Fri 8 Dance Club starts
  
- Mon 11 Phonics screening week
- Tues 12 Rehearsal Song & Dance Festival
- Wed 13 Show & Tell Year R
- Wed 13 – Fri 15 How Hill residential Year 3
- Thurs 14 Song & Dance Festival at the Open Venue

\*\* FOSA Fete & BBQ \*\*

\*\* Friday 6 July \*\*

Please use the calendar on our school website



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for dates of events for 2018 and beyond

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