# Acle St Edmund C of E Primary School Newsletter



### 5 June 2020

#### Headteacher: Mr Paul Henery

#### Phased return of some pupils to school

We welcomed back Year 6 pupils this week, in two part-time groups, and we are pleased that they have coped well with this transition back to a school setting (albeit quite a different one from that which they left back in March). We fully recognise that everybody's circumstances are different and, for many different reasons, some pupils from that year group were not with us this week. We have continued to set home learning tasks for all pupils, which has blended with the work which has been done in school. We shall continue to provide home learning activities in this way until the end of term. For Year 6, transition to High School is now an important next step in their lives as we approach the end of this academic year. Miss Skarin, from Acle Academy, will be coming down to school next week, to talk to both group A and group B about a range of issues of interest to the pupils before they move on to Acle Academy. We will set up a zoom meeting during that time so that those learning at home will be able to take part in the transition session with Miss Skarin. Hopefully this will give both groups a chance to be together and share ideas with one another.

We have completed our preparations for children returning to school from Reception and Year 1 next week and given further information to those parents and children about what to expect next week.

Our provision for children of key workers continues, as it has done since the original lockdown date. To find out more about who qualifies as a key worker, click here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educationalprovision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educationalprovision

The plan is for our current arrangements to continue until 22 June, when it will be reviewed. As yet, we do not know what the government's intentions are, regarding the return of other year groups. Once we know what those intentions are, we shall plan accordingly and let you know more.















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#### Dear future self,

Lockdown has been a weird experience, sometimes I feel worried about what is going on in the world but other times I feel scared.

Lockdown is so boring, we have now been in lockdown for 12 weeks and the nasty virus is still out there so we must stay aware.

Whilst lockdown has been boring at times, I have took this time to learn new things such as growing 5 strawberry plants, 3 cucumber plants, 4 tomato plants and 5 courgette plants. We have to give them plant tood and water them every night. I have ailso done a lot off cooking with mum. My favourite thing to cook was M&AM bindics. I have spent a lot of time on the trampoline practising new tricks and I can now do a back spin.

Lockdown has meant we have had to celebrate things differently such as my birthday. It was still fun as it was a new experience having my family sing happy birthday over FaceTime.

Lockdown isn't so boring all the time, there are some things I have enjoyed like going on long bike rides, going on lots of walks, going in our new hot tub and spending time as a family.

After lockdown I'm looking forward to seeing all my friends and family, going camping, celebrating my birthday properly, going back to football training and coming back to school. We will get through this, after every storm comes a rainbow!







Pupils and families from across the country are invited take part in our Virtual Big Sing 2020!

Norfolk Music Hub had planned another Big Sing event at the Royal Norfolk Show in July this year, that Year 4 were going to perform in. However, due to the current circumstances, this has been cancelled. Norfolk Music Hub have organised a Virtual Big Sing to replace this and we thought that it would be nice to have children (and families) take part and join in with this!

The Big Sing will take place at 2pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June and will be live streamed online. It will be led by Mark de Lisser who arranged the performance of Stand by Me for Prince Harry and Megan Markle's wedding! He will also be joined by some celebrity singers!

For more information about the Virtual Big Sing and details for how to register, please visit: <u>https://www.norfolkmusichub.org.uk/site/vbs-2020</u>

The songs that Norfolk Music Hub have chosen are fantastic and you will all be able to learn and practice them on 'Yumu' which is run by the Music Hub. Here you will have access to the songs and some tutorials to help you learn the songs and some videos to teach you some dance moves.

If you would like to take part, please e-mail your class teacher via your class e-mail address to get your login.

It would be lovely to have as many people as possible joining in and we will definitely be joining in at school!

If there are any queries or questions about this, please contact Miss Bode on her class email: <a href="mailto:class4@acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk">class4@acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk</a>

