



ACE School Programme Information Pack

September 2024

'Leading the way in alternative provision'

***Alternative Curriculum Education Centre (ACE) has met all the requirements
for inclusion into the Peterborough & Cambridgeshire
Alternative Education Directory for quality assurance at the highest level
(Stage 4)***



Alternative Curriculum Education (ACE) have been providing alternative education and activities for students of all abilities since 1997.

We tailor our programmes around the needs of the students attending the centre, to allow growth and development to enable the students to reach their full potential. We work with small groups of up to six students in a class with two staff members in each group.

Here are some of the lessons that are available;-

Functional Skills in Maths and English at level 1 & 2

Health & Safety Level 1

First Aid Level 1

Woodwork & Woodcrafts

Basic DIY Skills

Sewing & Crafting

Pottery & Model Making

Basic Car & Bicycle Maintenance

Road Safety

Sport, Health & Fitness

Cooking & Food Hygiene

Art & Design

Health & Wellbeing

Personal & Social Development

Sessions are available Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 12.30pm and we can offer up to 15 hours of provision a week over five mornings.

Referrals can be made throughout the year. Short interim placements are also offered, subject to availability.

Bespoke sessions are available for small groups (four to six students), and group rates offered, dependant upon the sessions and activities booked. Sessions usually last 45 minutes dependant upon the subject area.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided within the daily cost of £70.00 per day.

Exam and registration fees will be charged as required.

Please check our website www.theacecentre.com for more information.



THE ACE PROGRAMME

Students in years 9, 10, and 11 will work towards level 1 qualifications in Maths and English (Functional Skills), Health & Safety, First Aid and Food Hygiene. Students will also participate in a variety of practical activities including; woodwork, arts & crafts, cooking and sporting activities. We also run health and wellbeing sessions as part of our comprehensive personal and social development programme.

Students in Years 7 and 8 will follow a similar programme of education with additional activities suitable for their age group.

REFERRAL PROCESS

Schools and other organisations that work with young people can refer students from year 7 through to year 11, to the ACE schools programme.

We require a fully completed referral form with any other supporting documents i.e. EHCP prior to placement. We also require a parent or guardian to complete and sign the consent/medical form prior to the start date.

Potential students must visit the centre with a parent or guardian and a member of staff from the referral agency prior to commencing a placement with us. If the visit is successful we will offer a taster day. If the taster session is successful, we will offer a placement for up to five mornings a week, Monday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm.

ATTENDANCE & MONITORING

We will send daily registers to the school/referral agency and aim to do this before 10am each day. We will contact parents/carers if a student does not arrive by 9.30am.

Reports are issued termly but we will provide updates and feedback regularly and complete any paperwork the referral agency requires on an ongoing basis.

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Alternative Curriculum Education (ACE) recognises it's responsibility to safeguard the students that attend our centre and will encompass safeguarding practises into every area of our work.

Under the Education Act 2022 (section 175/157), schools must "make arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children". We will endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where students are respected and valued. ACE will therefore be alert to signs of abuse and neglect and will follow the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) procedures to ensure that students receive appropriate and effective support and protection.

STAFF

All staff are DBS checked at an enhanced level and take part in annual training to keep up to date with all safeguarding, health and safety, conflict resolution and positive handling and first aid.

All staff are highly qualified in their own specialist subject areas.

MEET THE ACE TEAM



**Marie Carrick
Director & Centre
Manager**



**Leslie Carrick
Director & Tutor**



**Gail Parsons
Deputy Manager
Tutor**



**Stephanie Brent
SEND Co-ordinator
Tutor**



**Dave Christian
Tutor**



**Carrie Saville
Teaching Assistant**

ACE also offer a home education programme to assist parents looking for a practical programme of learning that encourages their children to gain new skills they wouldn't necessarily have the opportunity to acquire in a home environment. The children will improve their social skills from being with their peers in a safe, and nurturing environment.

Here are some of the activities that are available;-

Woodwork & Wood Crafts
Basic DIY Skills
Sewing & Crafting
Pottery & Sculpting
Basic Car & Bicycle Maintenance
Road Safety
Cooking & Food Hygiene
First Aid
Health & Safety
Art & Design & Graffiti Art
Health & Wellbeing

We also offer Functional Maths and English Skills at level 1 and 2, Health & Safety, Food Hygiene and First Aid at level 1. These sessions are accredited through Highfield Qualifications.

Sessions are available each afternoon, Monday to Friday between 1pm and 3pm. Individual or multiple sessions can be booked by parents/carers or other organisations to suit their requirements. We can also offer bespoke sessions in any of the subject areas for small groups of between four and six students.

We run sessions through the majority of the school holidays with an enhanced programme of activities.

Sessions can be booked on the website www.theacecentre.com

ACE TERM DATES

September 2024 – July 2025

Autumn Term 2024	
Staff Training Days	2nd September 2024
First day for students	3rd September 2024
Half Term	Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November
Staff and students return	Monday 4th November 2024
Ends for staff and students	Friday 20th December 2024 at 12.30pm

Spring Term 2025	
Staff Training Day	Monday 6th January 2025
First day for students	Tuesday 7th January 2025
Half Term	Monday 17th – Friday 21st February
Staff and students return	Monday 24th February
Ends for staff and students	Friday 4th April

Summer Term 2025	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 22nd April
Staff and Students return	Wednesday 23rd April
May Day (Bank Holiday)	Monday 5th May
Half Term	Mon 26th May – Friday 30th May
Staff and Students return	Monday 2nd June
Ends for Students	Thursday 24th July at 12.30pm

If you have any questions or would like to know more information, please contact us.

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