



28<sup>th</sup> January 2021



Dear Parents/Carers,

**NATIONAL STORYTELLING WEEK 30<sup>th</sup> January – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

We are looking forward to marking **National Storytelling Week** at ACE next week. Storytelling has always been at the centre of community. Everyone loves a good story and, especially at this tricky time, we can all do with a good story to enjoy!

With this in mind, do keep checking on our school website and Facebook page, as our ACE staff are uploading a story every week day for your children (or even the whole family) to enjoy!

Both in our school sessions and in our remote Zoom sessions next week, we will be aiming to celebrate stories, and to encourage the children to share a little about books they are enjoying at the moment.

We would also love to give our ACE children the chance to become storytellers! If your child enjoys storytelling and likes a bit of time in front of the camera, then please do record stories and send them in for us to see. It could be a really fun thing to do at home, while also practising reading and learning storytelling skills. We'd love to then share some of the best with the school community and celebrate the storytelling skills we have in our school!

Here's a few tips for ACE story telling:

- ✓ keep eye contact with the camera as much as possible
- ✓ use your voice and facial expression to engage the listener
- ✓ vary the pace and volume of your storytelling to create excitement and interest

You can send in your child's story to their class celebration email address anytime from next week. Your child's teacher will tell you more next week.

Thanks for getting involved with this!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gilchrist

English Leader