

Christmas 2020

# Newsletter

**Exceed**  
Academies Trust  
*Together we Exceed*

**Appleton**  
Academy



I am pleased to announce that Appleton Academy has received a significant amount of funding to deliver a total of eight activities this year. This will help students focus on opportunities within Higher Education and are specifically for learners in years 9, 10 and 11.

The activities cover a wide range of subjects and departments, from English and Drama through to PE, Design Technology and Career Guidance. Some young people will even have the chance to

achieve a first aid certificate and a Duke of Edinburgh award. There will be an ongoing evaluation programme in place for the rest of the academic year which will aim to assess the impact of these activities and what students think about the resources and opportunities on offer. There really is something for everyone to get involved with as the school now has access to a wide variety of resources to help students make decisions about the subjects they would like to continue studying and hopefully to try out new and exciting subjects they maybe did not even know existed! For more information, please contact the Careers Department.

**James Davidson**

Dear Y11 Parents

As we approach Christmas it is important that Y11 pupils are researching their careers ideas and their Post 16 Options. All Year 11's will be having a meeting with their Careers Adviser in school and many have had these meetings already. However if your son or daughter is still confused about their next steps and what will be the right path for them after Appleton Academy please don't hesitate to contact our Career Adviser directly. Suzanne Impagliazzo from C&K Careers is in school on Thursdays and Fridays and can also be contacted my email [suzanne.impagliazzo@appletonacademy.co.uk](mailto:suzanne.impagliazzo@appletonacademy.co.uk)

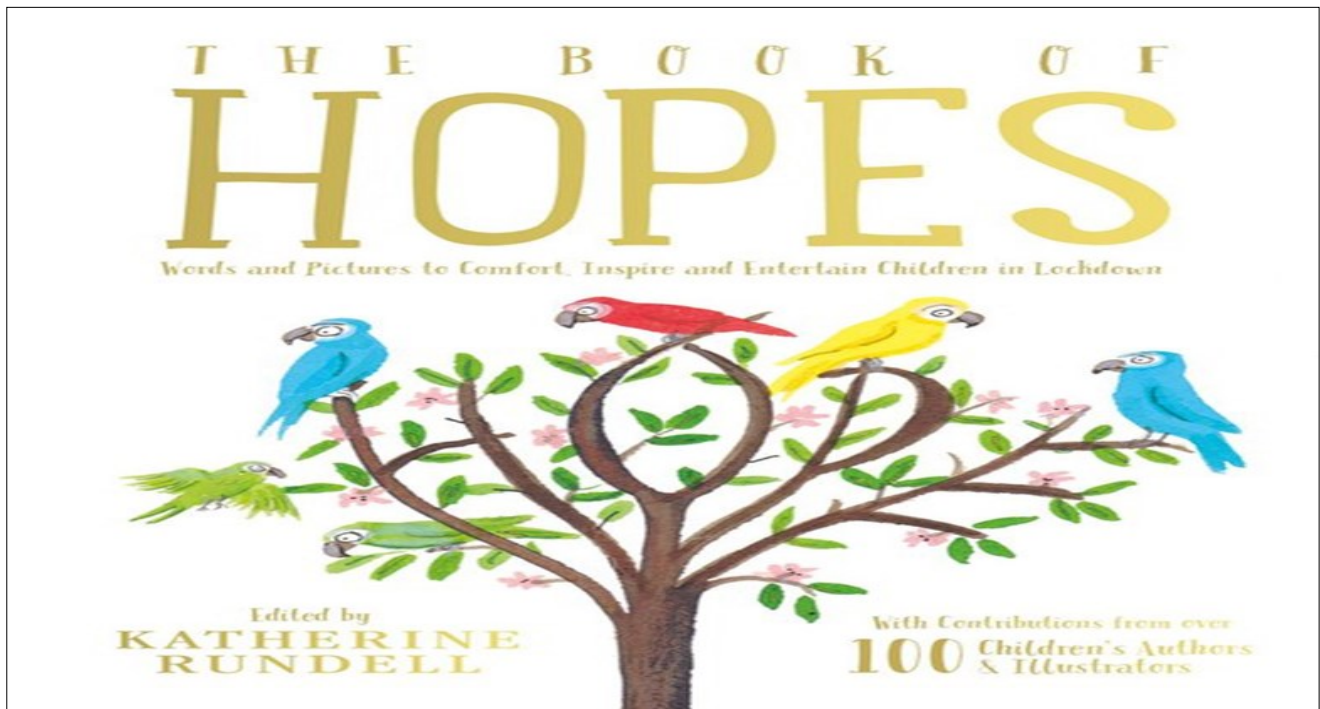
**OPTIONS**

**AFTER**

**YEAR 11**

**YOU**  
decide which  
option is  
the best for  
**YOU**

*The Book of Hopes* aims to comfort, inspire and encourage children during lockdown through delight, new ideas, ridiculous jokes and heroic tales.



In partnership with The National Literacy Trust our primary guided reading groups had the chance to read and work through a selection of the stories during their guided reading sessions.





Listening

Speaking

WRITING

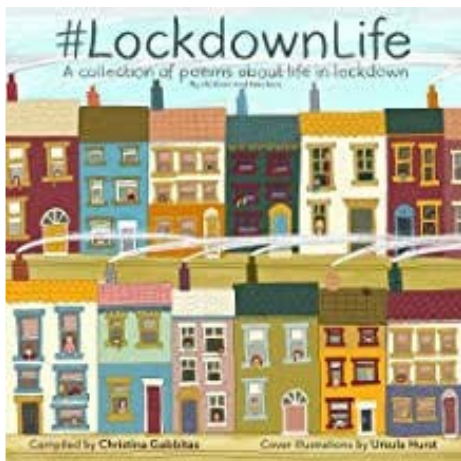
Reading

# ROYAL SOCIETY YOUNG PEOPLE'S BOOK PRIZE 2020



Mrs Parr

## Lockdown Life



During Lockdown our students were encouraged to write about their experiences and to take part in the Lockdown Life poetry initiative, run by the author Christina Gabbittas .

Children and teachers were invited to pen a poem in any style about their life in lockdown. Judges included: Actress, Jenny Agutter who is also Patron of Children's Literature Festivals. Visit the initiative page for details:

<https://www.childrensliteraturefestivals.com/my-lockdown-poem/>

Well done to the following students who are now published poets.

Lucia Jesson	10.3
Cohan Burnham	11.4
Gabriel Richardson	8.4
Chloe Carter	11.1
Deekshita Bathula	11.6
Nihal Bathula	7.4



Mrs Parr

Pictured is Lucia Jesson with her poetry book.



## Our special visitors have arrived!



### After The War

By Tom Palmer

Some of our Year 6 students have enjoyed reading *After the War* by Tom Palmer. Tom very kindly sent our students a set bookmarks and posters and was pleased to receive their feedback on his book based on the true story of the Windermere Boys.





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### Appleton Staff Reading Group

Our staff reading group is open to all members of staff. Due to Covid restrictions the group meets virtually. Each member of staff reads and reviews a book and advertises their reading on their staff lanyard, creating an opportunity for students or visitors to talk about the books.

Where appropriate the member of staff will recommend the book to a student. Alternatively, the books can be shared with other members of staff or relatives.

The first two titles are pictured below:



**School Closes: Thursday 17th December**  
**Re-opens: Tuesday 5th January 2021**