



# The Wasp

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## Fire Engine

On Thursday, Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue brought their fire engine in to show the Reception children but who is this trying on the protective equipment?



## PC Lockton

On Tuesday, PC Lockton visited our Reception children to tell them about the job of a Policeman.



## Science Spot

**Darwin's Delights Workshop in Year 6:** As part of their work on evolution and inheritance, Y6 had a day of science learning last Friday including a workshop with Jules Howard which involved investigations of fossils, shark teeth and articulated mammal skeletons, recognising how they can tell us about the history of life on Earth which helped them understand how, through comparing fossilised remains, studying living and extinct species, Darwin managed to piece it all together with his theory of natural selection.

The children were extremely enthusiastic and asked lots of questions. Having visited the school on previous occasions delivering a range of workshops, Jules said: *"It is always such a pleasure working with the classes at William Alvey. Your students always display a real understanding of the idea that science is about questions, about pushing the boundaries of what we know and don't know. It's such a genuine joy to see them joining up the dots in their learning during sessions. Sign of a great science ethos!"*



*Above: Y6 compare shark teeth to those of the ichthyosaur.*

*Lily and Joanne from Mrs Francis' class compare the jaw bones of different species.*

## E-safety Warning

It is obvious that some social media apps are not intended for primary age children like **Sarahah** and **Yellow**. There are lots of on-line warnings about their use:

<https://www.common sense media.org/videos/what-is-sarahah>

[file://wav-dc-001/Staff/stst11/My%20Documents/Downloads/what-is-yellow%20\(2\).pdf](file://wav-dc-001/Staff/stst11/My%20Documents/Downloads/what-is-yellow%20(2).pdf)

However, there are other apps and games that appear to be aimed at children like **Roblox** that still allow strangers to contact players and also incorporate inappropriate content into the games:

<https://waynedenner.com/blog/roblox-a-guide-for-parents>

### Year 1 create Castletown

Visit the 'Gallery' section on our school website or take a look at our Twitter feed to watch a short video of the making of 'Castletown'.

### PTA Year 4 Cake Sale

Thursday 8th February. Cake donations welcome in the morning.

### PTA Bags2School

Friday 23rd February. Please leave your bags of unwanted clothes, shoes, bags and bed linen on the pavement by the small gate at the front of the school.

### Lidl

Lidl (not Aldi) and Mr Barclay, have very kindly given the school several boxes of candy canes and chocolate lollipops. Thank you.

### Term Dates

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### Indian Experience

On Monday and Tuesday this week our Year 1 children found out about Indian dancing, food and culture. They had a super time.

### RSPB

All week we have been putting down extra bird seed outside my office. On Friday we looked out of my office and saw 2 Carrion crows and 4 Feral pigeons. We will try again next week.

### The Hutch Shop

In addition to the bird boxes, suet slabs and feeder she brought in earlier in the week, Mrs Massingham from 'The Hutch Shop' in Sleaford has very kindly donated an additional 10 feeders, a huge bag of wild bird seed, a tub of fat balls and a sprinkling of aniseed essence...Thank you.

### Crosses

Mrs Stonestreet has made a display of the crosses given to Mrs Risdell, our Bishop's Visitor, by Sarah Butchart (Sleaford Choral Society). Visit our Twitter page and take a look.

### Specsavers Competition

Why not enter the Specsavers Design a Book Mark competition? See our website for more details.

### Darts Charity Fundraiser

Visit the school website or follow us on Twitter to find out more about the Charity Darts Night on Saturday 26th May 2018.

### Next Week

Father Phillip is taking our assembly on Monday; Year 5 assembly, Safer Internet Day and Year 1 to Lincoln Castle on Tuesday; Year 1 and Year 6 Medieval Banquet and PTA Cake Sale after School on Thursday; Friday end of term.

### Attendance

This week's attendance is 94.2%, we are hoping to get to 96% for at least one week before Easter.

### PTA Quiz Night-Solo Bar

The PTA Quiz at the Solo Bar was great fun. We also raised £140 including the snowball won and then donated by the 'Golden Girls'. This year's winners were the 'Ladies Who Lunch'. Congratulations. A special thank you to Mr Kirkwood 'old boy' who returned to run the quiz for us once more.

### New Youth Theatre Easter Camp 2018

Truly Scrumptious, St George's Academy, Sleaford. 9-11 April 2018. 10.00am to 4.00pm. Book online at [sleaford.newyouththeatre.co.uk](http://sleaford.newyouththeatre.co.uk)

### Explorers' Church

Tomorrow, Saturday 3rd February in St Denys' Church Hall 11.00am to 1.00pm. Find out about Noah and his Ark. Fun and activities. All welcome (children to be accompanied by parents). Followed by light refreshments.

### St Denys' Reredos Presentation

On Sunday (4th February) at 10.00am the Disciples from Year 5 who have been studying the Reredos in St Denys' are going to church to present their work to Father Philip. All welcome.

### E-safety assemblies

On Thursday, Rebecca, Paige H, Rhys, Lola, Harvey, Tamsin, Amelia, Logan, Henry, Lucy, Paige A and Max delivered two assemblies on internet safety. Well done and thank you.

### Parking at Pick up and Drop off time

The cemetery and cycle track are now no parking zones. This week the civil enforcement officer (green man) has been ticketing cars on the cycle track. We understand the difficulties this causes in the morning and we are looking to introduce a number of additional walking bus pick up points.

### Farm Kitchen

The hot lunch menus are now live on the Farm Kitchen website ready for next term.

### Girls' Football

Mr Holman and Miss Farmer run a Girls' football Club on Tuesday nights after school. If you are in Year 4 and are interested in taking part please ring the office.

### Tae-Kwon Do and Cranwell Football

If you attend the Tae-Kwon-Do or Cranwell football after school on Thursday please don't park on the track. You can use the car park at the front of the school. Thank you.