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WELCOME BACK!

What a sunny return we have had in our first week back to school. The weather outside has certainly reflected the mood in the school as we have had a fantastic first few days.

There have already been lots of

success stories and the children have settled back into the routine well. Our behaviour system has rewarded children across the school and it helps to promote our core values: **tolerance, respect, aspiration and resilience.**



LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

CLUBS LIST

Our clubs list will be sent on Parentmail next Tuesday at 7pm. It will close at 9am on Friday morning. Please note, our staff do not get paid extra for running a club. They do it because they enjoy working with the children and seeing them blossom outside of a daily lessons.



FOREST AREA APPEAL

The school's forest area is continuing to be developed and we are hoping to deliver more outdoor learning. To help, if you have any good quality children's wellies or 'puddle suits' you no longer need, please send donations to the front office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 11th September

Y6 Stone Age Dress Up
Wow Day

Friday 15th September

Egypt Dress Up Wow Day

Saturday 16th September

11+ Verbal

Saturday 23rd September

11+ Non-verbal

Sunday 1st October

Civic Service (St Denys')
3pm-4pm

Wednesday 18th October

Y3 Egypt Day

Thursday 19th October

School photos

Friday 20th October

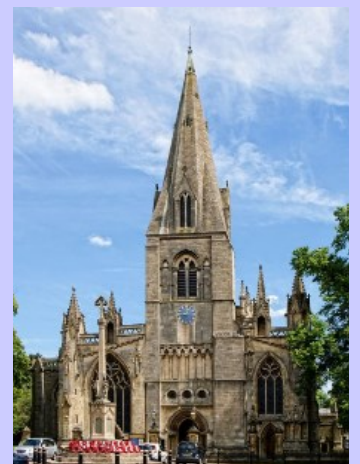
Term 1 Ends

Monday 30th October

Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 31st October

Term 2 Starts



Communication with school staff

Staff will respond to emails between 8am and 5pm Monday-Friday. If you have any queries, we encourage you to either email the school admin address: admin@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk call: 01529 302772 or come and see us if you can.

Parking near the school

Please be mindful when parking near the school. Parents should not be parking at any neighbouring properties like the cemetery or at Checker's down the road.

Car park barrier

Please make sure you do not walk underneath the car park barrier at the front of the school. Please ensure you use the pedestrian access to the side of the school.

School uniform

The children all looked really smart this week—thank you. Please remember that trainers are not part of school uniform but ties are. It would also help us if you could name all uniform. After this week, we shall start writing names on any uniform that are not labelled.

School timings

We thought it might be helpful to remind everyone of the school day timings so that we can have a punctual start to the day.

8.40am Front gate open
8.45am Internal doors open
8.55am School day starts
9.10am School gate closes
3.10pm Front gate open
3.15pm Reception and KS1 home time
3.25pm KS2 home time

If you are late in the morning, please go to the front office. Your child will be marked as 'late' in the register.

Reading

There is no doubt that the single best thing you can do to support your child's learning is to hear them read. All children from Reception to Year 6 would benefit from reading aloud at home. Ask questions about the story or the characters; talk about the illustrations; predict what might happen next; compare it to other similar stories and discuss why authors have made certain word choices. It will make such a difference.

Birthday books

To celebrate your child's birthday, instead of bringing sweets into school, we encourage bringing a 'birthday book'. Choose a book with your child and send it into school with them. We glue a special name plate in the book and upload a birthday message on to Facebook. The book then stays in the class reading area to enjoy.

Headteacher's message

I have had a wonderful first week at William Alvey. I want to take this opportunity to thank all parents, children and staff who have all made me feel so welcome. It has been a pleasure starting to get to know you all and I am looking forward to getting to know you even more over the coming months.

I have been impressed by so many things at William Alvey. If I had to highlight a few, it would be your children's incredible behaviour, manners and smartness. They are a credit to you and I am very proud to be their headteacher.

I am really pleased to tell you that a structural engineer visited school on the 8th September. He has confirmed that we do not have any RAAC concrete in school.

I have noticed that a small number of children are arriving in school after 9.10am. It is crucial everyone is in school on time so all learning time is maximised. Every minute counts, especially in the morning.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.
Best wishes,
Mr Farrington



MAKING A FANTASTIC START

In year 6, three pupils have already been awarded with a 'values lanyard'. Alice and Mylo have been recognised for **aspiration** after taking the time over the summer to make Stone Age tools. Mason has been awarded a **resilience** lanyard for taking the first days of school in

his stride and trying his very best in all lessons. Well done! We are really proud of you.

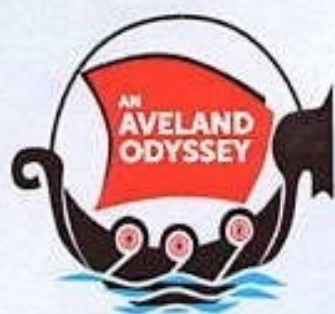
Keep up to date with all of our success stories on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/AlveySchool>



Pre-loved uniform

Uniform donations are still welcome at the front office. If you are still in need of more uniform items, you can still come and collect some. We have lots of ties, shirts, jumpers, skirts, trousers, summer dresses and shoes. Please pop into the front office to have a look.





AN AVELAND ODYSSEY:

THREEKINGHAM VIKING FESTIVAL

**SAVE
THE DATES**
Saturday 16th
and Sunday 17th
September
2023

Danes Field, Threkingham. NG34 0AP
Just South of A52 Between Grantham and Bicker



Set sail with us for Threkingham, where each day the Vikings Great Heathen Army will re-enact the 870 AD Battle of Stow that took place on this very spot!

Meet the Viking Army in their vast living history encampment, get hands on with their equipment and learn how to live and fight as a Viking. With activities for all ages, an archaeological dig for children, and a comprehensive lecture programme. Watch the violent Battle of Stow unfold before you!

**FREE
EVENT**

Help us Recreate
the Battle
of Stow



Keep checking our website for more details:
www.theavelandhistorygroup.com

as well as our Facebook page: The Aveland History Group



North Kesteven
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Armed Forces Day 2022 Competition

We're looking back this year and reflecting on 40 years since the Falkland Islands conflict, so entries should reflect this theme, please.



Using any medium, please draw your original design in the box below, complete the details and return the form to:

Armed Forces Day 2022 Design Competition, North Kesteven District Council.
Kesteven Street, Sleaford NG34 7EF by the closing date of Friday 1st April 2022.
The winning designs will be used to promote Armed Forces Day 2022 in North Kesteven.

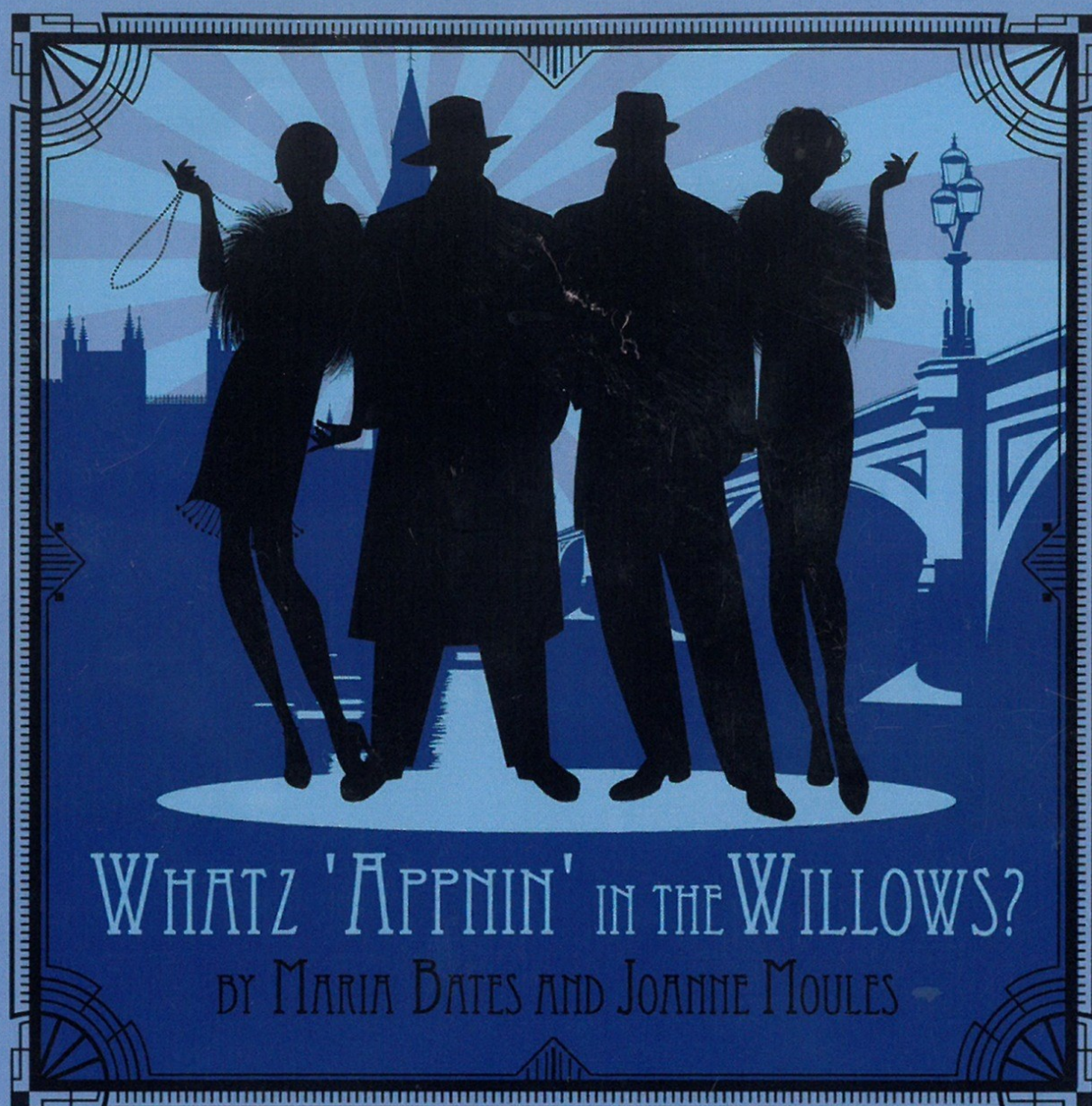
Please find attached the entry form for this year's Armed Forces Day design competition; we would love to receive entries from your school. As it says on the form, this year's theme is reflecting on 40 years since the Falklands Islands conflict. The closing date is Friday 1st April 2022 and entries can be scanned and sent to:

armedforces@n-kesteven.gov.uk or delivered by hand or by post to North Kesteven District Council, Kesteven Street, Sleaford, NG34 9EF.

Winning designs will be used to promote the 2022 event and invitations will be sent out separately to those schools to attend the Flag Raising Ceremony taking place on Monday 20th June outside St Denys' Church, Market Square, Sleaford at 10:30am. Please look out for news on social media about the arrangements

Name		Age	
School/Contact details:		School Year	

SLEAFORD LITTLE THEATRE ACADEMY presents...



WHATZ 'APPNIN' IN THE WILLOWS?

BY MARIA BATES AND JOANNE MOULES

at THE PLAYHOUSE

54 Westgate, Sleaford, NG34 7PP

Friday 8th and Saturday 9th April

Tickets from £9. Start: 7:00 pm. Doors: 6:30 pm

Tickets available online at sleafordplayhouse.co.uk or in-person at
Animal Magic, Westgate, Sleaford. Tel: 0333 666 3366 (TicketSource Booking Line)