## **William Alvey School Publication**



## THE WASP

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## IMPORTANT UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL START TIME Please see the Headteacher's message on page 2





## UPCOMING **EVENTS**

Monday 16th October Harvest Festival Assembly

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 Thursday 2nd November Netball match vs Cranwell

Tuesday 7th November
Flu Vaccination

Sunday 3rd December Santa Fun Run

Friday 15th December Christmas Disco

Resilience

**Tolerance** 

**Aspiration** 

Respect



## CHANGE TO SCHOOL DAY

#### WRITTEN BY OUR HEADTEACHER







It has been a pleasure to start my weekly update by telling you about the amazing things your children have achieved over the past week. Before getting to that this week, I wanted to make you aware of a small, but important, change to the school day. The teachers and I are keen to maximise all the learning time your children have in school. We are not currently doing that quite as well as we would like. The reason for that is children are coming into class between 8.40am and 9.10am. We are keen to have all the children in class by 8.50am at the latest every day so we can start teaching them all at the same time. We will continue to open the gates at 8.40am to allow for this prompt start.

This 8.50am start for all classes will begin from the first day of next half term - 31st October. I do hope this notice, as well as the explanation I have given above, offers you an insight into our thinking, as well as ensures you have sufficient time to make any necessary changes. Could I make one more request please - could you please limit the time you speak with teachers first thing in the morning. They are keen to start teaching your children as soon as possible to ensure all their learning time is maximised. The teachers are lovely, and very polite, so find it difficult to ask parents to leave so they can start teaching. Could you please keep this in mind and leave all but urgent matters for discussion at the end of the day or via email.

If I had to nominate a 'Hero of the Week' it would be Louie. He came to tell me he got 0/10 in his spelling test. Rather than complain, Louie showed incredible **resilience**, and **aspiration**, in the way he responded to this set back. He went away, worked hard and scored 9 out of 10 in his next spelling test. What a hero! Lotta told me about her amazing footballing achievements at weekend. She was nominated 'Girl of the game' for her dribbling, and goal scoring, prowess.

Freddie gets the kindness award for the week. He baked chocolate cookies over the weekend and brought them in on Monday to share with his classmates. How lovely is that!
Liam told me about his experience of taking part in indoor sky diving practice. Liam told me, amongst other things, that he had 100mph wind blown at him. I then found out Mrs Browning has also had a go at indoor sky diving. We should encourage Liam and Mrs Browning to take the next step now.

Isla brought me models of flowers she made. As you can see, they are beautifully well made.

Our Year 1 children have impressed me greatly this week. They have shown me that they are not only capable of counting back from 10 in English but they can also do that in French. Wow!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Farrington







#### Harvest festival donations Thank you so much for all of the

Harvest Festival donations this week. We are very proud of our generous school community. Donations can still be brought to school next Monday ready for our assembly.

## The case of the missing jumpers

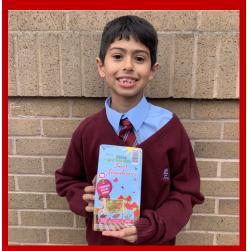
This week alone, 22 jumpers have been handed into lost property; all with no names. That is threequarters of a class with lost jumpers.

All staff do our best detective-work and return any lost property to their owners, but it really is an impossible task if items are not labelled with a child's name. Lost property is put out at the front of the school on Thursdays (weather dependent) or you can visit the school office to check lost property. Could we please ask that parents show respect to school staff? We know it is frustrating if your child has lost something but we are all doing our best to resolve any issues.



#### **Competition winner**

Noah in Mrs Warrener's class won the golden ticket' in a competition run by Farm Kitchen last Friday. His prize was some strawberry seeds. He is really looking forward to eating his produce next summer.



#### Photo day reminder

We remind all parents that it is the individual photo day on Thursday 19th October. Please come with your best smiles!

#### **Puzzling**

Chloe wanted to share this photo of her 500 piece Taj Mahal jigsaw. Chloe has completed this jigsaw with a little help from Mum and Dad, showing resilience and perseverance. The hardest part was the reflection in the water!



#### Water bottes and PE kits

Could all children please come into school with a named water bottle so that they can stay hydrated through the day. All children also need to have their PE kit in school every day.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY **MRS RISDELL**

#### Written by Mrs Risdell (Bishop's Visitor)

Thank you to Mr Farrington for allowing me to share my birthday celebrations with you all in assembly last Monday on St Denys Day! I hope

you all know a bit more about St Denys and why he is important to us in our church in Sleaford and our school. Your singing of one of my favourite hymns from when I was a teacher many years ago was wonderful and the "Happy Birthday" and then the cake and candles appearing made my day very special (the cake tasted nice too.) I'm glad a few of you share the same birthday as me and hope you will try to find out if your own birthday commemorates a saint as well.

Some words from the "Colours of Day" hymn make a nice little prayer for you ..... It's also suitable for our Harvest Festival celebration next week.

> Sow seeds of the Spirit. Let the fruit grow. Tell the people of Jesus Let his love show. Amen

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Can you work out our Halloween message?



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BEFORE SCHOOL FROM 8.45AM
BY THE GREEN GATES

THIS HALF TERM SATURDAY 21ST - SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER



## CGS OUTREACH

## SPORTS CAMP

**FOR SCHOOL YEARS 1 TO 7** 

## What to expect:

**Qualified Coaches** 

**3G Pitch, Sports Hall & Gym** 

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## Holiday Camp October 2023



## **World Sports Week**

Join us as we take a trip around the world.
Each day will include our versions of some of the most popular sports from different continents around the globe.



## Monday 23/10/2023

#### Asia

Sports including; Kabaddi, Table Tennis, Hockey and Cricket.



## Tuesday 24/10/2023

## The Americas

Sports including; Ice Hockey (not on ice!), Baseball, Quidditch and Pop Lacrosse.



## Wednesday 25/10/2023

## Thursday 26/10/2023

## Friday 27/10/2023

## **Europe**

Sports including: Football, Handball, Tag Rugby and Golf.



## Oceania

Sports including: Netball, Aussie Rules and Formula 1.



## **Festival Friday**

A fun, competitive twist, celebrating the games learned during the week.



# BASKETBALL COACHING

STARTS FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER

5:00-5:55PM - 9-11 YEAR OLDS

6:00-6:55PM - 12-14 YEAR OLDS

**COST PER PLAYER** 

**£**5

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## Y CUNG PHOTOGRAPHER



COMPETITION



Express yourself by putting your photography skills to the test at the annual Rotary Young Photographer competition.

For more information contact: Ann Waldeck - a-waldeck@hotmail.co.uk Mobile: 07834721375 Rotary Club of Sleaford



# DETAILS FOR THE CHILDREN'S SLEAFORD THEMED PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION







#### FRFF FNTRY!

THERE ARE THREE AGE CATEGORIES FOR THE COMPETITION.

AGE 7 TO 11, AGE 12 TO 15 AND AGE 16 TO 18.

All entrants are asked to send in a maximum of two photos for the competition in landscape and in high resolution (above 300ppi), either in JPEG or PNG format. Please submit your photos to Sleaford Town Council at enquiries@sleaford.gov.uk
All photos must be current and obvious photos of Sleaford.

Participants are asked to include their contact details/parent/guardian details with their entries.

The closing date for entries is Monday 6th November 2023.

Prizes and certificates will be awarded from first to fourth place in each age group.

First Place - £20 WHSmith voucher, Second Place - £15 WHSmith voucher,

Third Place - £10 WHSmith voucher and Fourth Place - £5 WHSmith voucher.

Winners will be announced at the Sleaford Christmas Market and presented with their prizes by the Mayor of Sleaford.

The winning twelve photographs will be made into a calendar for 2024 and each winner will receive one as part of their prize. Calendars will also be available to purchase.



## What is start ife?

If you are pregnant, or have a child under the age of two, Start for Life aims to bring together all the information, advice and support you and your family needs into one place

This can be accessed online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/startforlife

Start for Life services can also be accessed at Children's Centres and various other locations across Lincolnshire, as part of the Family Hubs programme







## Supporting families 'earlier, better, together'

We already have some great services for families in Lincolnshire, particularly in our children's centres, where, for example, you can access things like baby massage, play and learning activities or have your child's health review

Excitingly, Lincolnshire is now part of the national Start for Life and Family Hubs programmes, which will help us develop new-and-improved services. This will help families get the right support at the right time.

#### It means we will be able to support you:



Earlier – investing further in baby's first 1,001 critical days of life



Better - improving outcomes by focusing on what we know works



Together - working in partnership with families and communities

Look out for opportunities to participate in these exciting new developments. To get involved, talk to a member of staff in your local children's centre.

To find out more, please visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/familyhubs

Support is available to all Lincolnshire families which includes children from 0-19 (or up to 25 for those with special educational needs and disabilities).





