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Respect

WHAT A COMMUNITY!

WRITTEN BY OUR HEADTEACHER



I would like to begin by saying a huge thank you to the whole William Alvey community for the effort you made as part of last week's Children in Need fundraising day. The children looked amazing and we raised a grand total of **£560.14** Well done everyone!

Can I draw your attention to an article written by Mrs Saunders at the back of the WASP. The article is about **Growth Mindset** and the work we are doing in school. Some of the lessons are already starting to sink in, as I heard on Wednesday evening. Mrs Purchase told me about a child in her class who reminded a friend who said they were unable to complete a task, that they were unable to do it yet! That should make sense when you read the article. Could I please ask you to help our efforts in school by replicating the Growth Mindset language, and approach, at home.

Lots of children spoke to me this week about the various achievements they have experienced, which was a delight. Ava competed in a gymnastics competition and was awarded medals for her floor routine and work on the bars. Dexter also took part in a gymnastics competition that featured clubs from across the whole of Lincolnshire.



Dexter came second in his Under 11 category, which is an amazing achievement.

Austin showed me a model bird his nana had bought for him in Madeira. He was able to tell me several interesting facts about the bird and model.

Lily-May showed me some research she had completed at home about the 'Five pillars of Islam.' Her writing, and knowledge, were impressive and she certainly taught me a thing or two. Well done, Lily-May.

Elyse told me all about majorette dancing and why she had been awarded two medals for this discipline and reached the final in her competition. Elyse ensured my knowledge of Majorette dancing increased by 100%. Thank you Elyse. As always, I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,
Mr Farrington



Lily-May



Austin



Elyse



Dexter



Ava

WE HAVE A GROWTH MINDSET!

Brought to you by Mrs Saunders

At the William Alvey, we are proud to introduce a new culture of **Growth Mindset**. We want our children to have access to techniques that will enable them to develop their **resilience** so they can face life's many challenges. Parents can help to support us in our journey by using the same language and tools at home.

But what is Growth Mindset?

Based on the work of Carol Dweck, research has shown that people who believe their intelligence can be developed (thus demonstrating a growth mindset) outperform those who believe their intelligence is fixed (fixed mindset). When children learn that they can "grow their brains" and increase their intellectual abilities, they do better. This is the philosophy of 'I can' and 'I can't do it ...YET'.

I can't do it...YET

It has been found that by focusing on the process which leads to learning (such as **persevering** and **learning from mistakes**), we can foster a growth mindset in our children. A child's mindset influences how they perceive and respond to their world. In a growth mindset, children understand that challenges and failure framed as **learning opportunities** can help them to become smarter. Struggling and working on a challenge or setback is good for the brain's neurological growth. Whereas in a fixed mindset children work to look smart, avoid challenges and shy away from taking risks where there is the possibility of failure. This can impact a child's development at school, sport and their relationships.

Fixed Mindset

Intelligence is static.

Leads to a desire to *look smart* and therefore a tendency to

- avoid challenges
- give up easily due to obstacles
- see effort as fruitless
- ignore useful feedback
- be threatened by others' success

Growth Mindset

Intelligence can be developed.

Leads to a desire to *learn* and therefore a tendency to

- embrace challenges
- persist despite obstacles
- see effort as path to mastery
- learn from criticism
- be inspired by others' success

How are we developing growth mindset at school?

Each class creates an environment in which growth mindset messages are promoted and where the differences between a fixed and growth mindset are evident and can be easily referred to. Growth mindset has been explained and shared with your children and is encouraged on a daily basis in each lesson.

Rewards are given out for demonstrating a growth mindset and for 'not giving up'.

I'm not giving up

We focus on **praising** effort and the process of learning rather than intelligence. Research shows that when we praise children for being smart, it promotes a fixed mindset. It sends a message that their accomplishments are intelligence based. In contrast, praising children for working hard promotes a growth mindset. It sends a message that the child's effort is what led them to success.

How can you help your child develop a growth mindset?

- Talk **positively** about the mistakes you make or the mistakes your children make – your children will start to think of **mistakes** as a natural part of the learning process.
- Talk about experiences of **challenges** both past and present. Instead of saying, "I wasn't any good at maths at school." Try saying, "I used to find maths challenging too."
- Use the power of 'Yet'. You can't do it... yet but you will.
- Praise the process and the **effort** the child puts into an activity.

This fantastic video explains more:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?>



Advent Family Service with Christingles

**with the choir from the
William Alvey School**

All welcome



**Sunday, 3rd December
3.30pm in St Denys Church**

Join the procession from church onto the
market place to see the
Christmas lights switched on at 4.15pm

**Every child will be given a
'take away Christingle'
when they leave the church,**



Commitments

Rehearsals on Fridays:
7-8pm

Services on Sunday
mornings:
9.30-11am

Services on 4th Sunday
evenings:
4.20-6pm



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Would you like to understand more about county lines in Lincolnshire?

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Lindsay Dalton
CEO, Pace



Lincolnshire
Police

Free webinar for parents & carers

7th December, 7.00 - 8.30pm

Join our panel of experts and find out about county lines in your area, how to keep your child safe and what to do if you have concerns. You will also hear about child exploitation from a lived experience perspective.

- ✓ Learn what county lines and child criminal exploitation is
- ✓ Understand the signs that your child might be at risk or involved
- ✓ Learn how offenders groom and exploit children
- ✓ Understand what is happening in your area

Register: [Lincolnshire-pace-webinar.eventbrite.co.uk](https://lincolnshire-pace-webinar.eventbrite.co.uk)

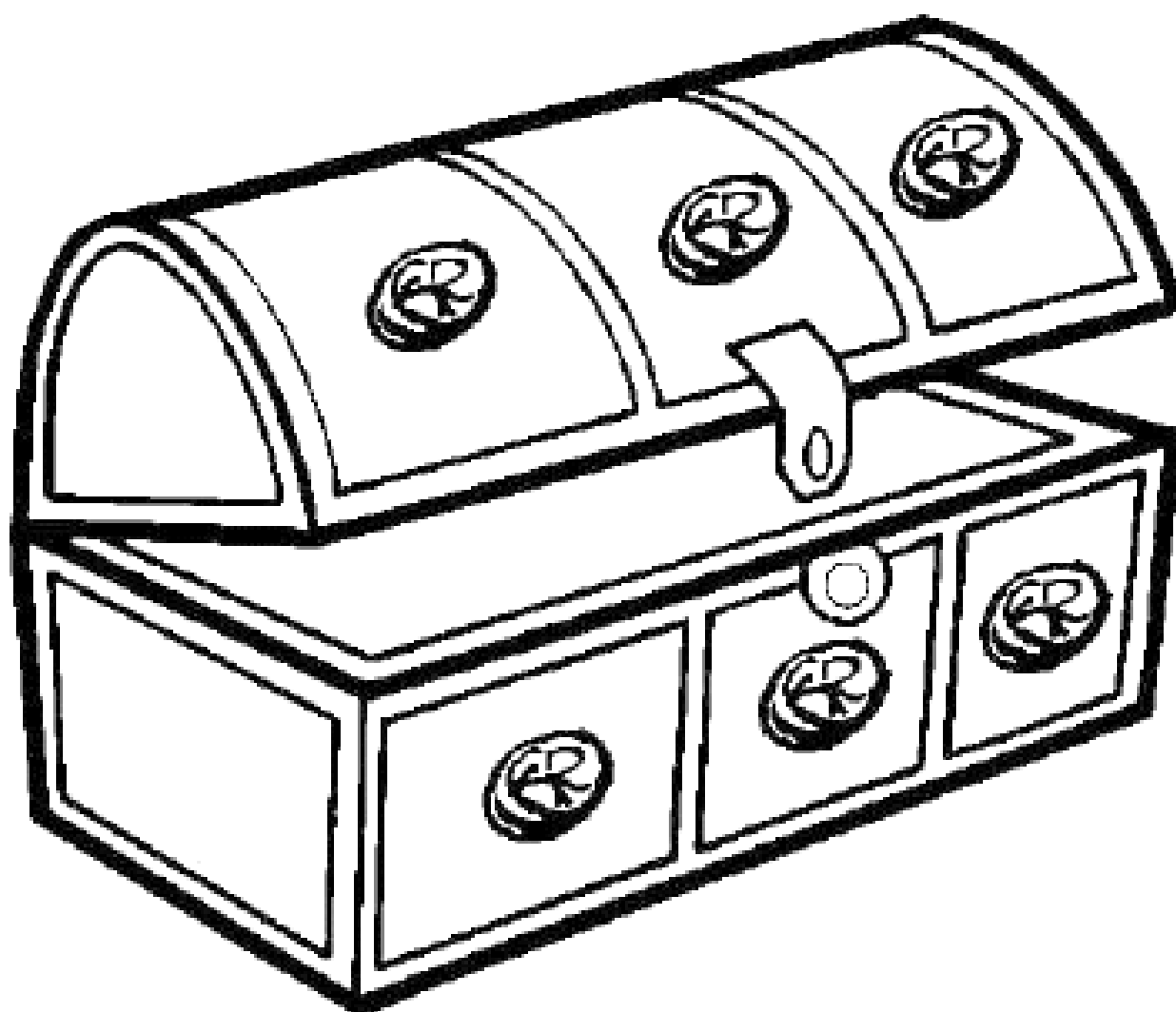
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Parents against
child exploitation

Three Gifts Competition

Choose from one of the three templates for your Gold, Frankincense or Myrrh design.

We will display your artwork in the Cathedral and visitor centre. There will be a £10 gift voucher for first prize in two categories: 4 years and under and 5 – 16 years



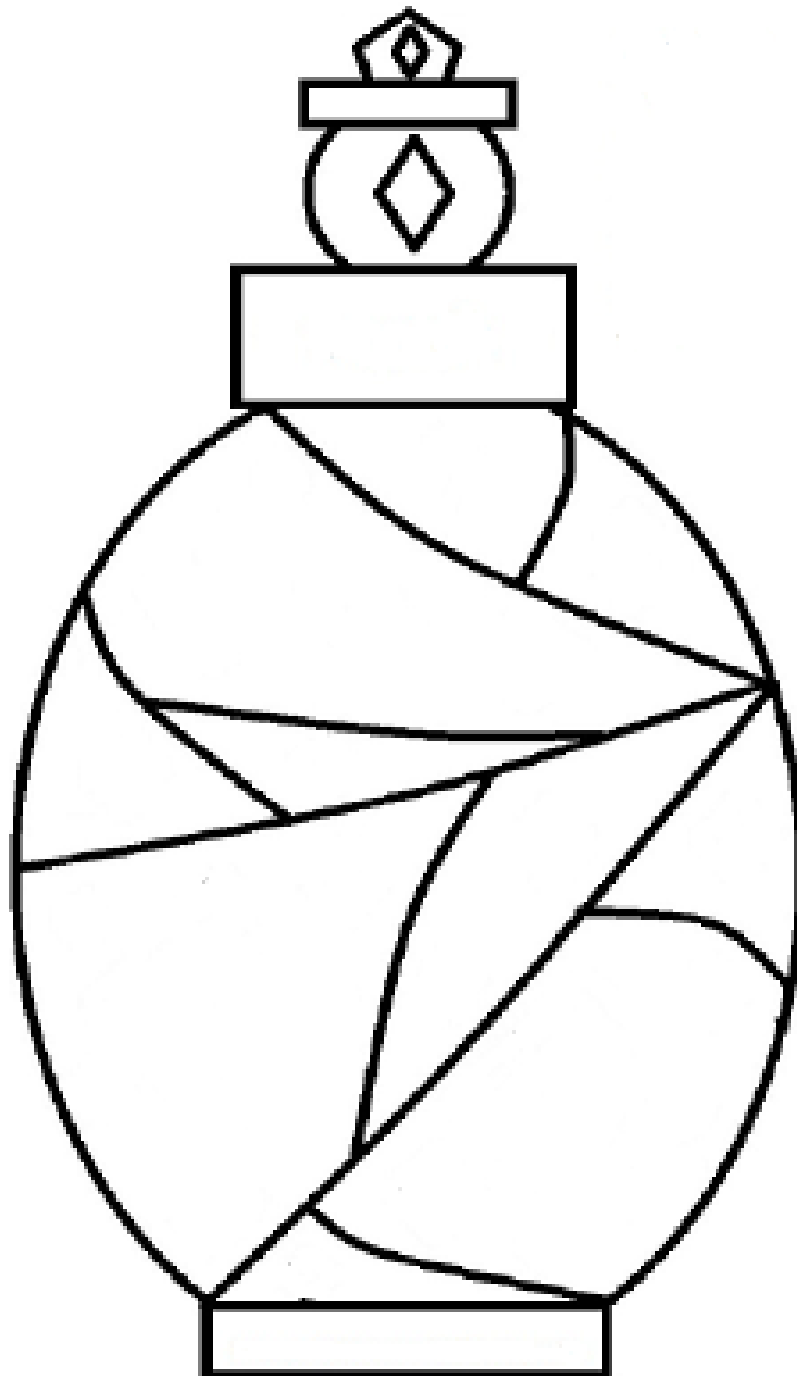
Competition Guidelines

- Any art media may be used
- Cut out your decorated Three Gifts Artwork
- Write your name, age and contact details on the back of the image
- Please hand in your Three Gifts Artwork to the Welcome Desk by midday 8 December 2023
- Alternatively, post your entry to Education Team, Chapter Office, 4 Priorygate, Lincoln, LN2 1PL
- The Three Gifts will be judged by Cathedral Staff. The judges' decision is final; no correspondence will be entered into. There are 2 prize categories: under 5's, and 5yrs to 16yrs. Both winners will receive a £10 Cathedral Shop voucher.
- Winners will be notified by Monday 13 December 2023

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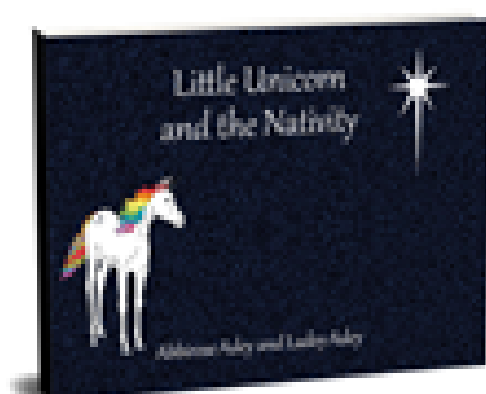
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Saturday 9th December

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