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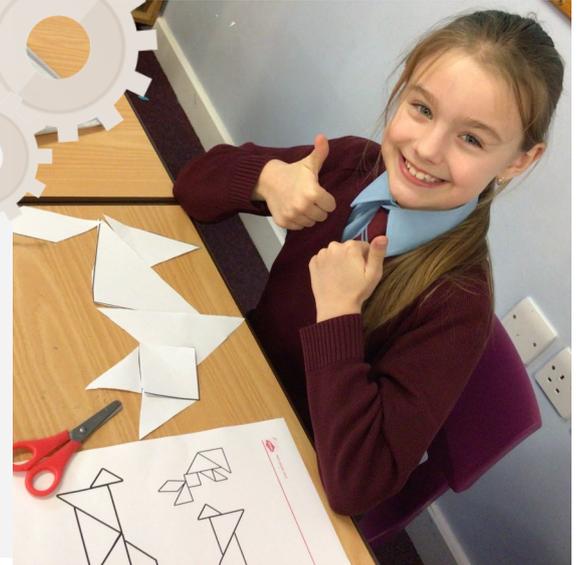
## MISSION POSSIBLE

### We have a Growth Mindset!

Last Wednesday, the school took part in 'Mission Possible', a day full of challenges (and of course fun) to help children establish a growth mindset. They needed to show **resilience** to succeed and make progress.

One of their tasks was to make an origami butterfly contributing to a huge whole school one in the hall. Other challenges included holding a musical beat, juggling, tangrams, puzzles, escape rooms and many more. All of us were really impressed with how much determination and teamwork the children showed. Ultimately, we want the children to learn to embrace and enjoy challenges and learn from their mistakes.

It has been great to hear how the children have demonstrated some of these challenges at home. Please see Facebook/AlveySchool for more photos.



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 9th January

Year 6 WW2 Wow Day

Thursday 18th January

Year 5 to Leicester Space Centre

Thursday 1st February

Year 1 to Lincoln Castle

Friday 2nd February

Year 5 Stargazing Sleepover

Thursday 8th February

Year 3 Magna

Friday 9th February

Term 3 ends

Monday 19th February

Term 4 begins & Young Voices

Resilience

Tolerance

Aspiration

Respect



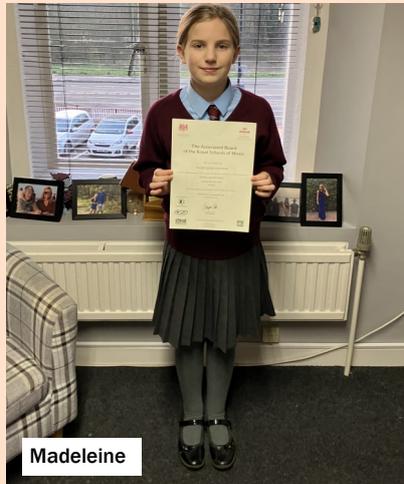
# WELCOME BACK

WRITTEN BY OUR HEADTEACHER

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and may I take this opportunity to wish you all a 'Happy New Year.' I had a lovely time over Christmas, but it seemed to disappear so quickly.

I hope everyone is happy being back in school and looking forward to the Spring term. Spring is my favourite time of the year because the world starts to come alive, and the light starts to return. Let's get through January and February first, though!

Two talented children told me about their achievements on the last day of the Autumn term. Madeleine was awarded her initial grade piano certificate. She also played the flute at the beginning of our church service in December. There appears to be no limits to her talents. Lovejean was awarded her yellow and white Taekwondo belt. There is no doubt that Lovejean is tough, both physically and mentally. She has given me permission to share something that happened on Wednesday with you all so all her Alvey friends can learn from a



Madeleine

mistake she made. Lovejean was seen running across the road outside school, without looking properly. Nothing happened, luckily, but it could have been much worse. Lovejean and I know making mistakes is part of life and essential in helping us to learn and develop our Growth Mindset. Lovejean wants others to learn from her mistake, as



Lovejean

she will herself. I admire her courage, and selflessness, in offering this lesson in the hope that no Alvey child runs into the road and gets run over. Well done Lovejean – I'm proud of you and know all the parents, and children, at the Alvey are too.

As always, I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



## Change for Life buddies

Just before the Christmas holiday four Year 6 children and their Year 1 buddies joined children from other local schools for a Change 4 Life 'Fun' Festival at Nocton. They

had a great time taking part in different sports and problem-solving activities. The Year 6 children were great role models and all of them were a credit to our school.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year. Hope you all enjoyed Christmas and are pleased to be back in school!

This weekend we celebrate Epiphany when we remember the Three Kings arriving in Bethlehem to see baby Jesus after their long journey following the star on their camels. In many countries it is known as "Kings" and more presents are exchanged. See you in school soon.



# Happier January 2024

SUNDAY



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Find three things to look forward to this year

2 Make time today to do something kind for yourself

3 Do a kind act for someone else to help brighten their day

4 Write a list of things you feel grateful for and why

5 Look for the good in others and notice their strengths

6 Take five minutes to sit still and just breathe

7 Learn something new and share it with others

8 Say positive things to the people you meet today

9 Get moving. Do something active (ideally outdoors)

10 Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

11 Switch off all your tech at least an hour before bedtime

12 Connect with someone near you - share a smile or chat

13 Eat healthy food which really nourishes you today

14 Get outside and notice five things that are beautiful

15 Contribute positively to your local community

16 Get back in contact with an old friend

17 Be gentle with yourself when you make mistakes

18 Focus on what's good, even if today feels tough

19 Try out something new to get out of your comfort zone

20 Plan something fun and invite others to join you

21 Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment

22 Take a small step towards an important goal

23 Decide to lift people up rather than put them down

24 Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today

25 Say hello to a neighbour and get to know them better

26 See how many people you can smile at today

27 Write down your hopes or plans for the future

28 Ask other people about things they've enjoyed recently

29 Go to bed in good time and allow yourself to recharge

30 Challenge your negative thoughts and look for the upside



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

SAFER TOGETHER



Lincolnshire  
Working together  
Asking for a better future

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP



# AN ALIEN'S GUIDE TO NAVIGATING THE INTERNET



This year's Safer Internet Day theme is all about inspiring change online and we think that one of the areas where we can inspire the greatest change is through our online behaviour. The problem is that positive online behaviour can be a bit alien to a lot of users! We want people to treat others with kindness and respect in the online world as much as we do in the real world.

To help children, young people and adults navigate the digital world, we are asking students to create, film and edit an alien's guide to online behaviour. How should we talk to others, how should we play games, how do we establish positive relationships with friends and family. What's ok to post? What's not safe? What to do if it all goes wrong? And we want it all in video form!

Top 3 entries will receive a prize and be invited to a premiere screening on Safer Internet Day - 6th February 2024 at the Lincoln Museum! So, get the camera's rolling and put together your visual guide to being our best online self and send your links or videos to [ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk) - the closing date is the 26th January so don't wait, get started today!

# HOW DO YOU SOLVE A

# PROBLEM LIKE... THE INTERNET!

The internet is an awesome place to learn new skills, play games, watch videos. So how do we make it better? What would you do to make the internet a safer place for people your age?

We are running a competition...

Have you got an idea that will inspire online change for all children and young people in Lincolnshire?

We are seeking the next Greta Thunberg of the Online Space. Make the internet better, where people are kind and encourage each other. Where there is no hate or bullying. How do we make the internet better and change how people your age treat each other online.

You come up with the solution, send us your idea. We will pick the best idea, work with you and your school to bring your plan to life, so we can deliver your idea to ALL schools in Lincolnshire.

Get your ideas in by the 26th January by emailing them to [ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

