

## ALVEY ARCHIVE APPEAL

We are incredibly proud of our history at the William Alvey, so could you help us piece more of it together? Do you have a story, photo or school record from your time at the Alvey that you don't mind sharing? Our Chief Archivist, Mrs Whitt, is currently expanding our archives and would appreciate your support.

Enthusiastic to collect more precious memories, Mrs Whitt says: "Every year that passes us by, sees us lose valuable documents and stories from the past. By collecting as many of these as we can, we

hope we can provide the story for future generations. In the hope that they, in turn, do the same."

We have been lucky enough to be able to start our archive from the late 1800s, so collecting as much as we can from more recent times is of vital importance. Many of the archive materials are used to teach the children of today, all about our past. It helps to bring our history to life, something we are extremely passionate about.

If you feel you can help, please email: [archives@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:archives@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk)



## LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday 25th January**  
Year 4 Samba Drumming Workshop

**Tuesday 30th January**  
Parent Meeting: Growth Mindset  
9.15am & 2.30pm

**Thursday 1st February**  
Year 1 to Lincoln Castle

**Friday 2nd February**

**Year 5 Stargazing Sleepover**

**Monday 5th/6th February**  
Year 2 Indian Experience

**Tuesday 6th February**  
Safer Internet Day

**Thursday 8th February**  
Year 3 to Magna

**Friday 9th February**  
Year 6 WW2 Workshop

**Friday 9th February**  
Term 3 ends

**Monday 19th February**  
Term 4 begins & Young Voices

**Tuesday 20th/21st February**  
Year 6 trip to Cranwell Aviation

**Friday 23rd February**  
Reception to White Post Farm

**Thursday 29th February**  
Netball Team vs Chestnut Street

### Tesco tokens

You would have read about our Forest Area Project last week and how you can support us by voting our local Tesco's store. The vote has now started and customers will be able to vote for us up until 31st March. The project with the highest votes will receive £1,500!

### Year 4 get practical

Over the last week, Year 4 have been practising their balance skills in PE with some impressive results. In science, they brought the digestive system to life with a practical experiment. We are sure many parents and carers have heard about this at home! To see more photos please head to our Facebook page: Facebook/AlveySchool



### Zebra crossing

We talk to the children about crossing the road safely and using the zebra crossing outside the school. If parents could also remind them that they still need to check that all traffic has stopped when using the zebra crossing that would be really appreciated.

### Mobile phones

We do not allow mobile phones in school no matter the circumstances and there are no exceptions to this rule. Please speak to your children about this so that they understand why. Phones distract, get lost, get damaged, cause social problems and create an 'I want' culture which we are trying to avoid. There really is no need for them to be at school.

# GROWTH MINDSET

## WRITTEN BY OUR HEADTEACHER



I think I may have been cursed for being smug last week when I described myself as a stuck record after having yet another good week at the Alvey. Since then, I have come down with my first cold of the winter season. I am dealing with it by feeling sorry for myself, rather than with heroic stoicism.

Whenever I have got close to feeling sorry for myself this week, I have reminded myself of the learning walk I took part in last Friday. I spent some time talking with children, and staff, about Growth Mindset. I saw, and heard, so many things that impressed me. For example, it was great hearing so many children tell me how they are developing a Growth Mindset. I loved hearing children tell me that 'I don't know how to do it ... yet.'

It was brilliant hearing children tell me how making mistakes was a valuable learning experience and how this process helped them develop their **resilience**. Their wise words have certainly helped me this week. We will be offering some parent workshops on how to help your children continue to develop a Growth Mindset. They first session will take place at 9.15am on the 30th January and will be repeated at 2.30pm on the same day. I do hope as many of you as possible can attend. Further details will be shared with you over the next few

days.

Tyler's achievements have also inspired me this week. He was awarded 'Player of the Match' after scoring a 'worldie' from outside the box, in his team's 5-0 victory, at weekend. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



## HEADING FOR THE STARS

Year 5 have launched their exciting 'space' topic this term and yesterday they travelled to the National Space Centre in Leicester. They visited the UK's largest planetarium to help them discover the Universe. The children had time to explore the many galleries, with lots of practical exhibitions to help support their learning. We are sure some have the **aspiration** to become an astronaut in the future!



Our  
world:  
God's  
creation

# Ocean Wonders

## FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 20 January 2024, 10am to 3.30pm

Find out more about how we can save our oceans

Visit 'Deep Ocean' corner'

Help fill our giant floor 'ocean' with dazzling creatures and incredible corals

Make fancy fish, tremendous turtles and jolly jellyfish to take home

Take part in our Ocean Creatures Trail Quiz for a chance to win Cathedral shop vouchers

[www.lincolncathedral.com/our-world](http://www.lincolncathedral.com/our-world)

This event is included in your Cathedral admission.  
Children aged 16 and under visit for free.





# 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!

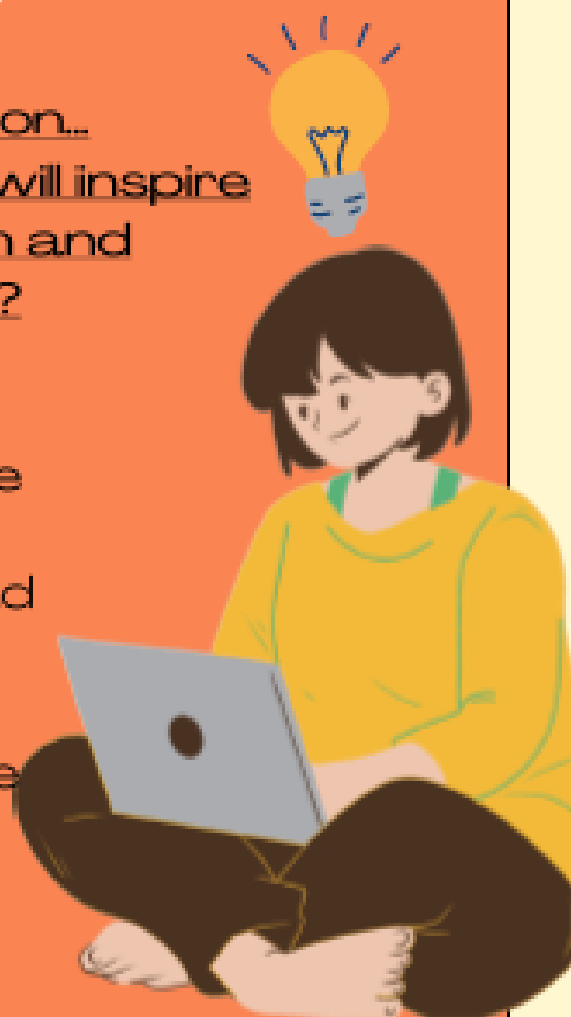
**Top 3 entries will receive a prize and be invited to a premiere screening on Safer Internet Day - 6th February 2024 at the Lincoln Museum! So, get the camera's rolling and put together your visual guide to being our best online self and **send your links or videos to [ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:ssp@lincolnshire.gov.uk) - 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)