

WORLD BOOK DAY

We have celebrated our BIGGEST World Book Day yet with many exciting book activities to promote a love of reading throughout our school community. Children came dressed as their favourite characters with some super efforts and home-made creations. The most popular character was between Willy Wonka and Harry Potter!

Parents and carers were invited into school to share a book with their child and this was a great success. Organising the event, Mrs Irwin said: "This was an ideal opportunity to promote a love of reading and discover some of the exciting books that we have on offer. Children also shared their books with friends and staff, with the idea of **creating a community of readers.**"

In the afternoon, classes experienced a different teacher for an hour! This created a buzz around books and children were exposed to books they may or may not know.

Finally, children were encouraged to bring books they no longer want. Some Year 6 children volunteered their time to sort through the books before each child had the opportunity to take a new (pre-loved) book home.

For more photos visit [Facebook.com/thealvey](https://www.facebook.com/thealvey)
As a reminder, our book fair is next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 8th March

Spirituality & Courageous
Advocacy Parent Meeting
9.15am & 2.15pm: Main Hall

Monday 11th & Wednesday 13th March

Parents Evening

Wednesday 13th-Friday 15th March

Book Fair

Thursday 14th March

Netball Team vs Caythorpe (Away)

Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day (non-school uniform £1
donation)

Wednesday 20th March

Children of Courage Awards

Thursday 21st March

Netball Team vs Navenby (Away)

Thursday 28th March

Bake sale for Asthma & Lung UK
after school

Thursday 28th March

Term 4 Ends

Monday 15th April

Term 5 Begins

Monday 22nd-25th April

Year 5 Bikeability

MARVELLOUS MONDAY

WRITTEN BY MR FARRINGTON



My week started beautifully when Lily May caught me before school on Monday and showed me the research she had completed on 'The Beatles' over the weekend. The research was well thought through and presented. Lily May then went on to tell me that her class are learning about 'The Beatles' as part of their music project, which builds towards a concert during the last week of this term. I am looking forward to attending this already.

GOOD CITIZENS' AWARD

My Monday then got even better. I had the pleasure, and privilege, to talk about several of our children as part of the Rotary Club's termly 'Good Citizens' award. It was inspiring to learn about the positive contribution many of our children are making in the community. As I said last week, this again left me with the thought that we should all follow the children's lead and try and shine our light, and make a positive difference, rather than take the easy route and complain but do nothing.

The stars of the assembly were:

Evie for 'helping both children and adults. For being empathetic and always thinking of others. We love people who make our school such a loving place through the care and attention they show others.

Rory for 'raising hundreds of pounds for the for the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance service. Rory completed at least 10,000 steps every day during the



Lily May

whole of February. What a wonderful effort to help keep this service going, which is vital to our county.'

Lily for 'being the living embodiment of Courageous Advocacy by refusing to walk by problems in London. We are so proud of you for stopping and making a positive difference. During half term, Lily and her family visited London. Lily was very disappointed by the amount of litter she saw on the streets and especially concerned about the impact of this on the environment. Lily was not prepared to walk on by. She asked mum's permission to pick up newspapers that had been thrown down and put them in the bin. Mum gave her permission. Lily got to work and cleaned up the locality she was stopping in.'

Isla has also been 'a real-life Courageous Advocate, and amazing citizen, by organising litter picking around where she lives in Sleaford. We are so proud of Isla, and people like her, who make a positive difference.'

Franklin 'set up a ADHD club, which now runs every week in school. Franklin had the initial idea for the club, planned its implementation and the club is now a roaring success, making a

positive difference to those children in Year 5 who have ADHD.'

Aiden 'has shown a lot of courage recently with some personal challenges that he has had to face. He has become a Courageous Advocate, who quietly ensures we all become the best versions of ourselves. Aiden is such a kind-hearted boy who wants everyone around him to be the best they can be. He is the personification of a good citizen. He illustrated this most clearly when he overheard some miss-informed pupils discussing something quite close to his heart last term. He politely asked his teacher if she could do some PSHE around the subject to educate the children in Year 6, thus helping everyone become good citizens who are more knowledgeable about the world around us.'

The other thing that struck me was how all the children above did the right thing out of a sense of duty and service rather than to gain praise or reward. They are a lesson to us all. If you are a parent of a child in Year 2, and wondering why no one was nominated from that year group, the simple explanation is they were out of school on Monday afternoon, when the assembly took place.

As always, I hope you have a lovely weekend and use your power to make someone's day incredible (just a hint but start with your mum this weekend!).



Helping the homeless



We are extremely lucky at the Alvey to have so many super role-models in our school community and Mrs McKenna in Year 3 is no exception. She has put her crafting skills to great use and has set herself a project to make Bivi's using Year 3's crisp packets and recycled materials. It was a great success and she now aims to make five before dropping them off at the homeless shelter. The rest of the school are now busy saving their crisp packets for Mrs McKenna, but we would welcome more donations at the front office.

Each Bivi requires between 120-150 crisp packets. Mrs McKenna was inspired by the crisppacketproject.com and she believes that anyone can help to make the Bivi's.

Mrs McKenna said: "Even if people just want to cut open and wash any they collect, that's a huge help. If they want any advice or where to get plastic, I'm more than happy to get people involved. I've spoken to the shop up the road from the school 'sleep to go' and that's where I have been getting the plastic to coat the crisp packets. They are saving me some of the used mattress bags. I wanted to recycle used plastic from local places. I have also used Tesco's scrap plastic too."

Please contact: marketing@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk if you feel you could help in some way.

WHAT IS OUR MISSION

To give New life, New purpose, a New beginning to one use plastic waste.

To bring people together to make and create items which helps combats loneliness and gives life purpose.

To send survival items to people that have nothing, living on the streets, countries at war and in natural disasters.

The Crisp Packet Project helps so many people in so-many different ways, it really is one big ball of Magic.



Pen Houghton
Founder



Art Club

Art club have been creating their names with things they like and dislike this week. They are now making Easter cards that will be on sale the final week of school. The money raised will support Mrs Weston's charity fundraiser for Asthma + Lung UK (as featured in last week's WASP). More details of how to purchase the Easter cards will be revealed next week.

International Women's Day

It's International Women's Day on Friday 8th March and we are lucky to have so many inspirational women in our school community. We are also extremely proud of our history and how Mary Beavis continues to inspire us today. She was our Headmistress in 1912 and during the First World War she would often appear in school wearing her Red Cross Nurse's uniform, after caring for the wounded soldiers at the military hospital.

Book Fair Next Week

You should all receive a Book Token by the end of this week. These can be spent at our Book Fairs which are taking place after school on Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th and Friday 15th March.

Red Nose Day

As a reminder, we are celebrating Red Nose Day again this year in school with a non-school uniform day on Friday 15th March. Please send a £1 donation in with your child.

Year 2 Springwatch walk

On Monday, all of Year 2 walked to the Recreation Ground in search of minibeasts as part of their 'Springwatch' topic and playground structures to enhance their DT learning. Over the next few weeks, they will be designing and building their own mini gardens and playgrounds.





Sleaford & District Twinning Association

www.sleafordtwinning.co.uk

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12 July
13 September
8 November

9 February
12 April
14 June
9 August
11 October
13 December

Sleaford Town Hall

Quayside House, Sleaford NG34 7TW

Mindful March 2024

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY



4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today daysofhappiness.net

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



TESCO EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION

Please find three different Easter designs, for the children to choose from and colour in, or alternatively they can be collected from within store. All finished pictures need to be handed in at the Tesco Customer Service Desk by the 25th March, have their name, age, school and contact number. So, we can contact them if they win. The prizes consist of Easter Hampers and there is 1st / 2nd / 3rd prize.



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HAPPY EASTER



Sleaford Town Council



Sleaford Poet Laureate Competition



Sleaford Town Council is looking to appoint a Sleaford Poet Laureate. This will be for one year in the first instance with expenses paid up to £250 during the year.

The Poet Laureate will be expected to write and perform at least two new original poems at two of our events, including the Sleaford Christmas Market.

For full information and how to apply, please visit the Community section on our website www.sleaford.gov.uk or email enquiries@sleaford.gov.uk



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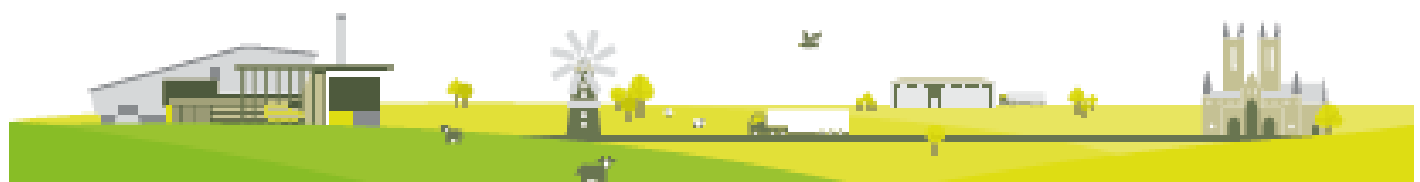
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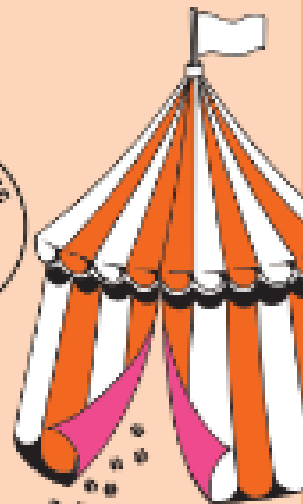
For further details see: lincolnshire.fccenvironment.co.uk



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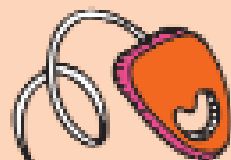
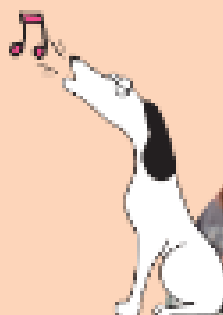
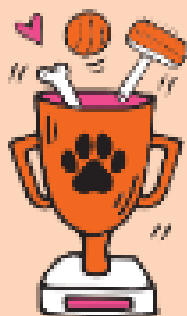
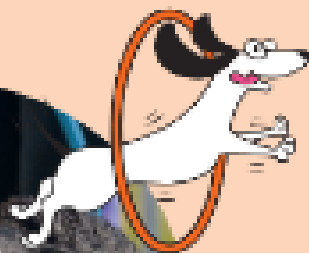
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