



## FOOTBALL GOLD

Our girls' football team have added another gold trophy to our cabinet after winning a local tournament. On International Women's Day last Friday, the girls won all of their games at Eslaforde Park, Sleaford Town FC's ground. Incredibly, due to their amazing teamwork, they only conceded one goal all day!

Thank you to Mr Miller who coached the girls throughout the day, it was a great experience for them all.

Taking the team to the tournament, Mrs Warrener said: "The team were incredibly encouraging of each other and showed so much respect to the other teams. They were great at organising themselves into the correct positions and worked together so well which is why they got the result. We are so proud of them all."



## PLANTING BULBS

Some Year 6 children have helped to plant some more bulbs in the Forest Area (Snowdrops and Bluebells) to support more biodiversity in the area. A big thank you to one of our previous parents, Sam Buchanan-Smith, who kindly donated the bulbs to the school this week. We really appreciate it!

At the front of the school, you may have noticed the Crocus' which have sprung up over the last few weeks. These were kindly donated by the Rotary Club last year and the Year 5/6 Forest Club helped to plant hundreds. It is so nice to see our hard work has bloomed!



## LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday 18th March**

PTA Spring Hunt 3.30pm-4.30pm

**Wednesday 20th March**

Children of Courage Awards

**Thursday 21st March**

Netball Team vs Navenby (Away)

**Friday 22nd March**

PTA Chocolate Bingo 5.30pm

**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

**Tuesday 23rd April**

Year 3 to The Collection

**Wednesday 24th April**

Year 3 to The Collection

Resilience

Tolerance

Aspiration

Respect

# THREE SURPRISES

WRITTEN BY MR FARRINGTON



I don't know about you, but I do enjoy getting unexpected, pleasant surprises. I've been lucky enough to have three this week.



The first came when Ava's mum and dad told me about a 'Young Writers' competition Ava entered. Contestants had to write about their family. Ava did that, as well as adding an illustration. Her work was chosen to be part of a book, which I know mum and dad are very much looking forward to reading, as am I. My second lovely surprise came courtesy of Mrs Hrubesch, who sent me an email she received from Isabelle's mum. Isabelle had listened to

the assemblies I delivered about Martin Luther King. My introduction inspired Isabelle to find out more about Martin Luther King. She did that by going to the local library and ordering a book about his life. It is a lovely feeling to discover that something you have spoken about has interested someone enough for them to want to find out more.



My third lovely surprise came when I opened the post yesterday. One



envelope contained a certificate for Jenson, along with a complimentary covering letter. I went to speak with Jenson, and he explained that he had taken part in a sporting event on Saturday. The day took in five different events, including running, long jump and balance related activities. Jenson had to successfully pass several trials to be part of the team on the day. Jenson will be awarded his certificate in assembly today, which will allow us all to congratulate him. Thank you to the three stars above for making my week. Have a lovely weekend. Mr Farrington

## BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

Science is an important part of our school every week, but this week marked the national British Science Week. Year 6 have been conducting various experiments in their topic of light. They proved that light travels in straight lines with various practical activities. Using their knowledge of reflection they created periscopes and in another experiment they investigated shadows. They have finished the topic with some experiments involving refraction and learned how arrows can magically point the opposite direction with a 'trick of the light'.





# THE WILLIAM ALVEY PTA

## Spring Hunt!

Monday 18th March  
Top Playground  
3.30pm-4.30pm  
**£2**





# Meeting an advocate

Year 2 meet Dr George McGavin

The Year 2 children have 'met' their courageous advocate, Dr George McGavin, over a live Zoom Q and A session. He taught the year group so many interesting facts about our insect world and answered lots of questions about worms in our class wormeries. As a result, Year 2s are teaching our school that we do not have the right to hurt insects. They have made posters for the teachers to display in their classrooms about how spiders are nothing to fear and help control the fly population. Spiders are truly fascinating once you get to know them!





## CHOCOLATE

# BINGO

**All Welcome!**

**Friday 22nd March**  
**SCHOOL HALL**  
 Doors Open 5.30pm  
 BINGO starts 6pm

**BOOKS £1**

Drinks and Snacks Available to buy!  
 Cash only.

## Staff Leaving

Mrs Chapman is leaving the William Alvey at the end of this term, after 11 years at the school. She says she is looking forward to spending lots more time with her grandchildren. We wish her lots of luck and happiness in her future adventures.

## Red Nose Day

We are celebrating Red Nose Day in school today (Friday 15th March). We will count up how much we have raised and this will be displayed on a poster at the front of the school. Thank you so much for your continued support.

## SATs Week

The 2024 Key Stage 2 SATs will take place in the week commencing 13th May. The children in Year 6 will be tested in spelling and grammar, reading and maths. All children really need to be in school this week so please do not book any holidays.

## Parents' Evening

This week, we had a very successful and positive Parents' Evening. All of our staff really appreciate your ongoing support.

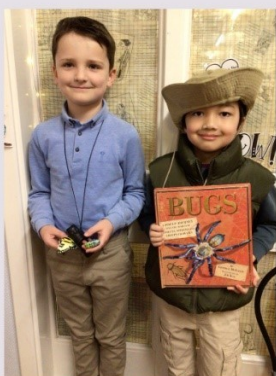
## Last Day of Term

Don't forget it is the last day of term on Thursday 28th March. We are back in school on Monday 15th April.

## Lost Property

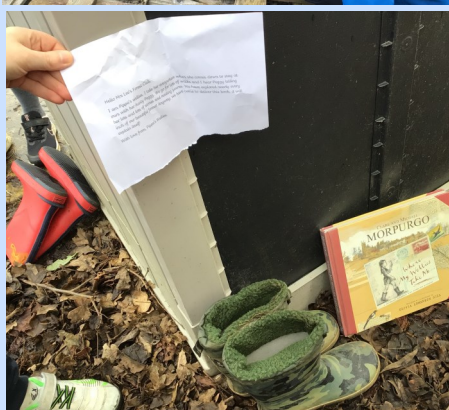
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Sir David Attenborough and Dr George McGavin for World Book Day!



# Forest Club

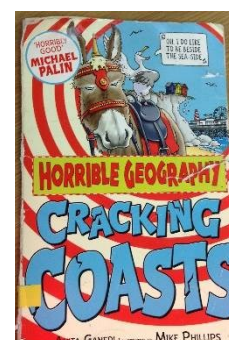
So far this term, the Year 3 and 4 Forest club have been spotting signs on spring and continuing to build their shelters. They also looked at the book, 'Where My Wellies Take Me' by Michael Morpurgo and decided to create a treasure map of the forest area. Over the next couple of weeks they will take part in some Easter activities.





# Lost Property

Please remember to label your child's possessions.



Please contact the school office if you recognise any of the items above.



Sleaford & District Twinning Association

[www.sleafordtwinning.co.uk](http://www.sleafordtwinning.co.uk)

# COFFEE MORNINGS 2024



10am-12noon  
All ages WELCOME

**Interested in building on your French and German  
language skills?**

**Want to boost your conversational confidence?**

**Want to challenge your brain cells?**

**Join Us on Friday:**

12 January  
8 March  
17 May  
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](http://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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.



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# HAPPY EASTER





Learn about the journeys of Lincolnshire's waste and see first-hand what happens to the non-recyclable waste here at the facility

Over 20 eco-focused stands including local produce, unique handmade, and handcrafted products

Free admission and parking

All ages welcome – under 14 years must be accompanied by an adult

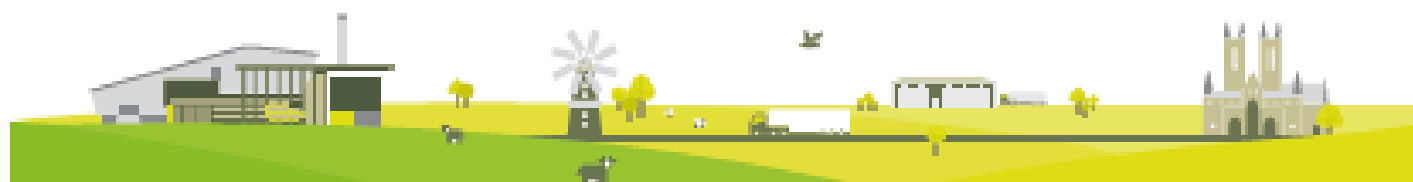
Free - Face Painting by Felicity

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For further details see: [lincolnshire.fccenvironment.co.uk](http://lincolnshire.fccenvironment.co.uk)

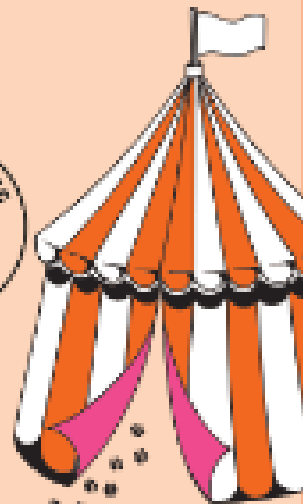


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# DogFest 2024



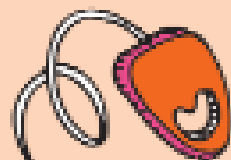
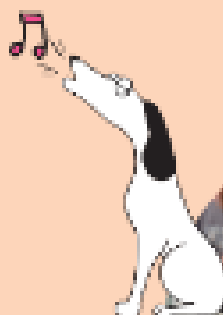
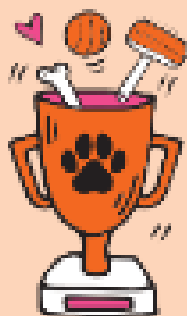
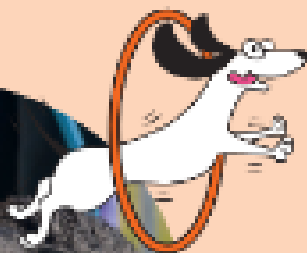
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**8TH & 9TH JUNE**

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