

# THE WASP

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## RECEPTION WOW!

Reception started their new term with a big 'Wow' moment, to launch their traditional tales topic. Over the holidays, a beanstalk had grown in all of the classrooms and this unique event provided the children with a fun hook for their Talk4Writing work. The children loved dressing up for this introduction to their term and the Reception team wanted to thank all of our families for making such a super effort on the first day of term!



## LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday 22nd-25th April**

Year 5 Bikeability

**Tuesday 23rd April**

Year 3 to The Collection

**Wednesday 24th April**

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**Friday 26th April**

Community Dental Services

**Friday 10th May**

Year 4 Online Workshop

**Friday 10th May**

Choir at Thanksgiving Service

**Monday 13th May-16th May**

Year 6 SATs

**Monday 20th May-22nd May**

Year 6 Hilltop Residential

**Friday 24th May**

Term 5 Ends

**Monday 3rd June**

Term 6 Begins

Resilience

Tolerance

Aspiration

Respect





# A REFRESHING START

WRITTEN BY MR FARRINGTON

I hope you all had a lovely Easter and everyone is feeling refreshed and ready for the Summer term. That message extends especially to our Year 6 children who have a big half term coming up – SATs and their Hilltop residential. A few days away, after finishing their exams, is perfect timing.

I had a lovely break, which felt long, maybe because we finished on a Thursday. My return has been brightened, as always, by talking to the children and hearing about their achievements.

Noah began the week by showing me a letter he received from 10 Downing Street, in recognition of some historical relics he discovered. I continue to be amazed by the wide, and varied, interests our children have.

Tabassum showed me some research she had completed over the holidays about Martin Luther King and Malala. I am sure you all know who Martin Luther King was but may not know about Malala. Malala is a girl who grew up in Pakistan. She was vocal in her support for girls being able to

access formal education. She was shot in the head by the Taliban, when she was only 15, as a result of the brave stance she took. Malala now tells her incredible story to publicise the plight of girls around the world. Malala is Year 6's 'Courageous Advocate'.

I am sure you have heard of the Bronte sisters. Well, we have our very own version. Evie has written, and illustrated, her very own book entitled 'The Cat City.' Evie's book is amazing and inspired her sister, Emy, to produce her very own piece of writing at home.

Annie was awarded 'Player of the Match' by her football coach recently. The coach nominated her for a variety of reasons, including her passing and listening skills. The one thing she was nominated for, which I particularly like, is that Annie positively encouraged her teammates. In my experience, positive encouragement is far more productive than moaning and complaining at teammates.

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

Mr Farrington



# GOOD LUCK MRS WESTON!

Mrs Weston is aiming to complete the London Marathon this Sunday and we will be tuning in at 8.30am to support her every step of the way! We are also hoping to see if we can catch a glimpse of her during the 26.2 mile stretch.

Mrs Weston is raising money for Asthma + Lung UK, who are the only charity in the UK that fights for everyone's right to breathe. Mrs Weston's Just Giving page is currently at £1,383, with her target being £2,000.

On the last day of term, Mrs Weston organised a bake sale at school and this raised £301.56. The art club have also helped her to raise money by selling their Easter cards, adding £118.80 to the total.

If you would like to sponsor Mrs Weston for bravely taking on such a huge challenge please visit: [www.justgiving.com/page/emma-weston-1697749880135](http://www.justgiving.com/page/emma-weston-1697749880135)

If you manage to spot Mrs Weston on the TV, please send any photos or videos to [marketing@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:marketing@william-alvey.lincs.sch.uk)





# St. Georges Day

Written by Mrs Risdell



Good to see you all back in school this week after your Easter holiday. Hope you didn't get caught in too many April showers – remember they bring forth May flowers – as the old rhyme goes!

This Sunday we celebrate St George's Day (which is actually on 23<sup>rd</sup> April). Not much is known about his life but he is the patron saint of England and is remembered for his strength and courage as a Roman soldier in Palestine who was tortured and killed in 303 AD because he was a Christian. He is best known for the legend that he killed a dragon!

Those of you who are members of the Scouts and Cubs will know that there is a celebratory march for St George in the town following a service in St Denys Church on Sunday afternoon.

Do you remember the names of the patron saints of Wales, Ireland and Scotland as well?



## Healthy snacks and drinks

We try to encourage healthy eating at the Alvey to help promote general good health and wellbeing throughout the school. As a reminder, could parents please make sure that their child's snack is healthy (fruit, veggie sticks, rice cakes, cheese, yogurt sticks etc.) We encourage water only in children's bottles. An alternative drink can be provided in your child's lunchbox but please avoid energy drinks or anything fizzy. Thank you.

## Gulliver's Valley Tickets

Year 5 have two sets of four tickets to Gulliver's Valley which they are putting into a raffle. For your chance to win four tickets, buy a £1 raffle strip from the playground at the end of the day from 29.04.24.

## Sleaford 1940s Day

We are thrilled to once again host the Sleaford 1940S Day on the school field in partnership with Sleaford Town Council. This brilliant family event will take place on 29th June 11am-4pm, it is free entry and many of the attractions are also free, just bring a picnic and a chair to enjoy everything that will be on offer. For more details please see the flyer at the end of the WASP.

## Lost Property

Please check the photos of the lost property from this week on the next page. Contact the school office if you recognise any items.

# CRISP PACKET PROJECT

Over the holidays, our very own courageous advocate, Mrs McKenna, delivered five blankets to Grantham food bank for them to distribute throughout the local community. As previously reported, staff and children have been busy saving crisp packets and Mrs McKenna has skilfully turned them into a Bivvy. Not only has it given new life to potential waste but they will now help people who have very little.

After the donation, Mrs McKenna told us how she was inspired to help: "It all started in the dining hall with Year 3. I folded a crisp packet

into a triangle for a child, then they all started asking me to fold theirs. After a while I was folding so many! So, I did some research on things we could do with them, that's when I came across the Crisp Packet Project. I decided to collect the crisp packets instead of folding them and I told the children I was going to make something out of their packets.

I brought in the first Bivvy to show the children what I had made and explained what it would do for someone. The response was amazing so we spread the word around the school and everyone

got involved and saved their crisp packets so I could make four more. It felt amazing to see the whole process through. Something that would have ended up in landfill now has a new purpose. Not just that, but it could potentially change the life of someone on the brink."

We are still collecting crisp packets for a future school project. If you could donate any, please send them to school office. If the packets are washed...even better! We will update you soon on how you can help with our school project.



# Lost Property

Please remember to label your child's possessions.



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



SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL & WILLIAM ALVEY SCHOOL PRESENT

**SLEAFORD**

**1940s DAY**

**SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE - 11AM TO 4:00PM**

**WILLIAM ALVEY SCHOOL, EASTGATE, SLEAFORD, NG34 7EA**

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**



**ALAN JACKSON, THE 40s HOMEFRONT, THE BLIGHTY BELLES,  
MILLER MAGIC BIG BAND & ALSO FEATURING "BOMBERS MISSION"**

**PUNCH & JUDY SHOWS  
AIR RAID SHELTER TOURS  
LIVING HISTORY DISPLAYS**

**FLYPAST (subject to conditions)**

**DEMONSTRATIONS**

**HISTORIC VEHICLES**

**STALLS**

**FOOD AND DRINK**

**FACE PAINTING**

**VINTAGE HAIRSTYLIST**

**VINTAGE GAMES**

**BALLOON MODELLING**

**DANCING**

**BOMBERS MISSION**

MEET & GREET WITH BOMBED THE OLIVE DORSE

**ENJOY A GREAT DAY OUT & BRING A PICNIC & A CHAIR!**

**FREE ENTRY & FREE ATTRACTIONS (SERVICE DOGS ONLY ARE PERMITTED)**



# Young people, radicalisation & autism

## Training and support for parents and carers

Young people are increasingly being radicalised online into having extreme and harmful views. Young people with autism can be especially vulnerable.

### *What can parents and carers do?*

A new virtual workshop explains radicalisation and how it can affect those with neuro-divergence.

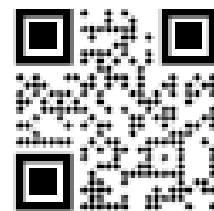
Learn how to spot the warning signs and how parents and carers can respond.



REGISTER HERE

[bit.ly/3vtrJSn](https://bit.ly/3vtrJSn)

Online workshops last around 45 minutes





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:**

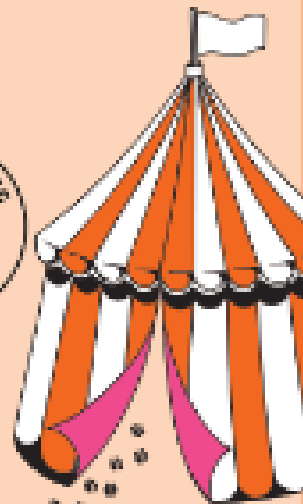
12 January  
8 March  
17 May  
12 July  
13 September  
8 November

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

**Sleaford Town Hall**

**Quayside House, Sleaford NG34 7TW**

# DogFest 2024



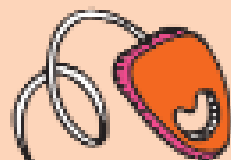
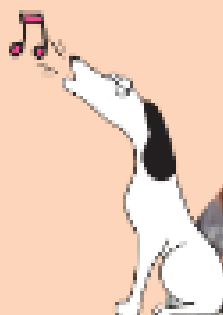
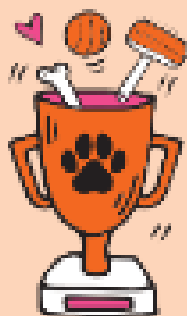
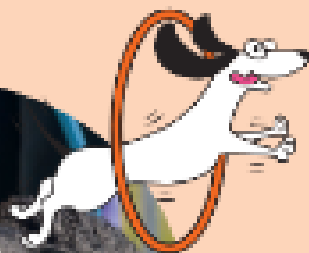
**BURGHLEY HOUSE**  
**8TH & 9TH JUNE**

## THE NATION'S FAVOURITE DOG-FRIENDLY FESTIVAL

WHAT'S ON

**BIG DOG WALKS • HAVE-A-GO ACTIVITIES**  
**EXPERT ADVICE • SHOPPING**  
**FOOD & DRINK**

**WOOF!**



**BOOK TICKETS AT**  
**dogfest.co.uk**

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