

THE WASP

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WRITTEN BY MRS SWAIN

NSPCC Rocks the Alvey

Well done to all of our children for a fantastic effort in the NSPCC Rocks as we finished TOP in Lincolnshire! Last Friday, every correct answer on Times Table Rockstars added up to points, these were then calculated into a league table so that we could see how our school competed against others. We finished **fourth in the whole country** out of 3623 schools that entered! The children had lots of fun and it showed how well they know their times tables (which we know is so important in lots of areas of maths). A special congratulations to our top three students: Wael, Jasper and Oliver who contributed to our top spot, along with all of the other pupils in Years 2-6. Mrs Clifford presented certificates to all of the maths classes and individual efforts were recognised in our assembly last Wednesday. All of our children taking part showed incredible **ASPIRATION**. We are very proud of them all! Roll on to the next competition!



SCHOOL LEADERBOARD		Fullscreen	
Ranked by school total score		CSV	Certificates
Top 50 results out of 3,623 schools		School Total Score	
1	Malvern Primary School, Liverpool Merseyside	662,803	Wael Aljuda Rocky Bullet 4.1
2	Parkgate Primary School, Coventry West Midlands	377,221	Jasper Cook Sam Johnston
3	Fairfield Primary Academy, Nottingham Nottinghamshire	341,291	Oliver O'Hara Darren Henderson
4	William Alvey CE School Lincolnshire	328,738	
5	Furness Academy	324,410	

LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 14th February
School closed to pupils

Monday 24th February
Start of Term 4

Wednesday 26th February
Year 6 Wow Day WW2 with Thorpe
Camp visiting (dressing up).

Thursday 27th February
Reception to White Post Farm

Wednesday 5th March
Year 4 to Nene Valley Railway

Thursday 6th March
World Book Day

Tuesday 11th to Thursday 13th March
Book Fayre in the School Hall

Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th
March Parents' Evenings

Friday 21st March
Red Nose Day

Wednesday 26th March
Children of Courage Rotary Awards

Tuesday 1st April
Easter Service at St. Denys

Friday 4th April
End of Term 4

Tuesday 22nd April
Start of Term 5

Monday 12th-Thursday 15th May
Year 6 SATS week. Breakfast Club.

Wednesday 21st-Friday 23rd May
Year 6 Hilltop Residential

Resilience

Tolerance

Aspiration

Respect

TRUE ALVIANS



WRITTEN BY MR FARRINGTON

One of the things I find most enjoyable, and satisfying, is receiving unexpected compliments about our children. This has happened twice recently. Mrs Barclay emailed and reminded me of how lucky we are to have so many talented children in school. This was in relation to how well our children sing. Mrs Barclay's email was prompted by a visitor from Grantham College who sat in on our weekly singing assembly. The visitor described how she was transfixed by the singing and literally had goose bumps.

That news was quickly followed by something similar from Mrs Armstrong. Mrs Armstrong received the following email from Oscar's mum, who is in Mrs Armstrong's class. I will share the contents of the email below, which speak volumes for what amazing human beings Alex and Tom are:

*Hi,
Just wanted to say how lovely Alex and Tom were to Oscar earlier. He was upset because he wanted his nanny to pick him up and not me (charming).
He was crying and when they saw him they both immediately came over and introduced themselves to me then asked him what was wrong and really tried to comfort him and cheer him up. It was so sweet and nearly made me cry the way he interacted with*

them. They've obviously put a lot of effort in to getting to know him and I just wanted to say they were the kindest, most polite and caring boys I've ever met so if you could pass this on to their parents or their teacher I would appreciate it as it really means a lot to see how lovely they are - they should be really proud of themselves. They could have just said hello and got on with their day and they didn't, they made time for him.

I am incredibly grateful to Oscar's mum for sharing this news. Thank you. As you can imagine, I am also incredibly proud of Tom and Alex. Well done boys – you are true Alvians!

The good news continued to roll in. Bella is a talented artist, as you can see from the artwork in this photo. Well done Bella and keep up the super artwork.

Colin is a talented footballer who was recently awarded 'Man of the match' by his football team. This award was given for Colin's commitment, especially when it comes to tackling. It is Valentine's Day tomorrow. I hope you all get the presents, and cards, you are expecting. I also hope some of you get a lovely surprise. Best wishes for a lovely half term holiday.

Mr Farrington



Marvellous Magna

Last Wednesday, Year 3 embarked on an exciting trip to Magna! The students were thrilled to explore the interactive science and adventure centre, where they learned about the wonders of science and technology.

From the moment they arrived, the children were captivated by the hands-on exhibits and engaging activities. They had the chance to explore different zones, including Earth, Air, Fire, and Water, each offering unique and fascinating experiences.

The highlight of the trip was the Big Melt show, where the students watched in awe as a giant steel furnace was brought to life, demonstrating the incredible process of steelmaking. It was an unforgettable experience that brought their science lessons to life in a fun and interactive way.

Everyone had a fantastic time, and the trip to Magna was a great success. A big thank you to the teachers and parent volunteers who made this wonderful day possible!



Frozen Singalong enjoyed by all



Last Friday, our school was transformed into a winter wonderland for a magical Frozen Singalong event organised by the wonderful Mrs. Huesken. The excitement was palpable as children, wearing their favourite Frozen props, filled the hall.

The children sang their hearts out with Elsa, Anna, and Olaf, their voices echoing through the hall. The evening also featured face painting, tattoos, stickers, and delicious snacks! With 110 beautifully behaved children and 8 very happy members of staff, the event was a resounding success. A big thank you to everyone who helped make this event so special. It was a day to remember, and we can't wait for the next singalong night!

Visit www.facebook.com/AlveySchool if you haven't already seen the video of their incredible singing.

Year 4 demonstrate courageous advocacy for a cleaner town

As part of the geography curriculum, Year 4, guided by Mrs. Mason, has completed their unit on Courageous Advocates, focusing on our local environment in the town, including the River Sleat.

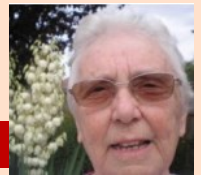
The students wrote to Sleaford Town Council with thoughtful suggestions on how to tackle the litter problem in our town. They also created eye-catching posters to encourage everyone to take care of our local area and dispose of rubbish properly.

Sleaford Town Council was so impressed by the well-written letters and creative posters that they wrote back to Year 4 to express their gratitude. They are even considering displaying some of the posters around town soon!

Well done, Year 4, for your fantastic efforts in making our community a cleaner and better place!



Love



Written by Mrs Risdell

I hope you all have a good holiday break next week and that the weather will be kind to us. Hopefully we shall soon get some sunnier and warmer days as we approach spring – with daffodils and new leaves bursting out.

Have a happy St Valentine's Day. Mr Farrington told you all about why we celebrate and remember Valentine on 14th February, in last week's Wasp. There are lots of instructions and examples in the Bible for us about loving and caring for each other. We are told to "love God and our neighbours as ourselves". Our neighbours are not just the people who live next door to us but all the people with whom we come into contact – our family and friends, in our town and country, people all around our world – we all depend on each other. St John records that Jesus told his disciples in Chapter 13 verse 34 of his Gospel, "a new commandment I give to you that you love one another even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

In St Paul's Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 13 there are some famous verses about the nature of love, ending with verse 13 "so faith, hope and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love."



Year 1's Castle adventure

Last Thursday, Year 1 had the most amazing day at Lincoln Castle. The sun was shining as the children explored the fascinating features of the Motte and Bailey castle. They walked the wall, practised being archers, and even got to wear some armour.

The fun didn't stop there. The students made their very own shields and learned all about medieval banquets. The highlight of the day was seeing the dragons – what an incredible sight!

Everyone had a fantastic time.



Buddies feast in Medieval banquet

On Tuesday, Year 1 enjoyed a medieval day with the highlight coming in the afternoon as they were joined by their Year 6 buddies for a medieval banquet. They dined on cheese and crackers and enjoyed choosing between "wine" (blackcurrant squash) and "beer" (orange squash). The Year 6 buddies had a great time watching the Year 1s take part in a medieval song and dance (which the Year 1 children worked very hard on in the morning), and the costumes were absolutely fantastic. The younger buddies even had the chance to practise their sword fighting skills! It was a fun and memorable day for everyone involved!



Celebrating National Apprenticeship Week

National Apprenticeship Week is a time to celebrate the contributions and achievements of apprentices. This week, we highlight the inspiring journeys of our staff who began as apprentices.

Miss Van Rensburg, Miss Kendrick and Miss Kidd are three of our current apprentices, bringing enthusiasm and positivity to our team. Their dedication is evident, and we look forward to their continued growth at the Alvey.

Miss Luszczyk, Mrs Thompson and Mr Hill are prime examples of the success apprenticeships can lead to. Miss Luszczyk and Mrs Thompson have become key members of our team. Miss Luszczyk is also known for her expertise and incredible ability to speak a variety of different languages. Mr Hill started as an apprentice at just 18 years old and has recently completed his **NVQ Level 5**. He is now almost a fully-qualified teacher, and his journey from apprentice to near-qualified teacher is truly inspiring.

National Apprenticeship Week reminds us of the importance of apprenticeships in building a skilled workforce. We are proud of our apprentices and their achievements, and we look forward to supporting more individuals on their apprenticeship journeys. Let's take this week to appreciate the efforts of all apprentices and the positive impact they have on our community.

Proud supporter of The Department for Education's

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK #NAW2025
10-16 February

Join our Coffee Mornings



Parents who are wishing to find out more about the new Mental Health Support Team can come into school on **Thursday 13th March**
9am-10.30am

FAMILY FUN DAY

SAT. FEB 22ND 10AM-1PM



Face-Painting
Games ~ Sports
Crafts ~ Art
Story ~ Magic



*Light refreshments,
But feel free to bring your own lunch*

Free event

You can just turn up on the day.

If you want to let us know you are coming or for more details:

riversidechurch.families@hotmail.com

Riverside Church, Sleaford, NG34 7RY



Miller Magic Big Band

VE Day

80th Anniversary Concert
with a 2 course
fish and chip supper

Friday, 9th May 2025

Masonic Lodge Rooms

40s dress optional or
wear something red, white and blue



Tickets £21

(larger portion available £25)

07989 993287 / sleafordrotary@gmail.com

Duncan & Toplis, Northgate (cash / cheque)

Raffle and Bar / 7 for 7.30pm

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Sleaford

www.sleafordrotary.co.uk

Proceeds to their supported charities





**SLEAFORD NEW LIFE COMMUNITY
LARDER CURRENTLY NEEDS THE
FOLLOWING ITEMS:**



Lots of UHT Milk

Tinned Potatoes

Tinned Carrots

Tinned Sweetcorn

Tinned Irish Stews

Beef or Lamb Casseroles

Mince Beef & Onion

Stewed Steak

Chicken in Sauce

Sausage & Beans

Spaghetti Bolognese

Hot dog sausages

Meatballs

Ravioli

Jars of Sweet & Sour Sauce

Jars of Korma Sauces

Jars of Pasta Sauces

Jars of Bolognese Sauces

Tinned fruit -not prunes!

Tinned milk puddings such as

custard & rice pudding

Lunch Box Snacks

Cereal Bar Snacks

Pasta

Box Cuppa Soups

Snack Noodles Packets

Snack Rice Packets

Weetabix

Cornflakes

Jars of Coffee

Sugar

Jars of Jam

Tinned Meats

Toilet Rolls

Shower Gels

Shampoo

Anti Perspiration Sprays

Baby Wipes

Toothpaste

**Thank you for your
support!**

Short-dated and surplus/bulk items are also gifted to the Sleaford Community Grocers, to ensure nothing is wastage and to support their pay it forward option.

Say no to food waste!

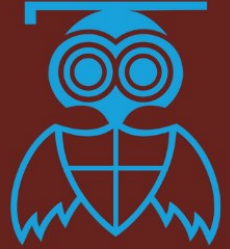
We're open Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm for donations

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Talent Show

We had over 60 entries into our Talent Show. Thank you for taking part and thank you Mrs Huesken for organising and judging. See the attached to find out who won and follow us on FB to see the winning entries.