



# THE WASP

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WRITTEN BY MRS SWAIN

## Buzzing About Books

Last Thursday, our school celebrated World Book Day with a series of exciting activities that brought joy and enthusiasm to both pupils and staff. The day was filled with creativity, learning, and a shared love for books.

It was lovely to see so many parents starting the day by sharing a book with their child, creating a warm and engaging start to the celebrations. The festivities kicked off with a delightful display of costumes. Pupils and staff alike dressed up as their favourite book characters, transforming the school into a vibrant storybook world. There were so many Harry Potters that the school could have been mistaken for Hogwarts! Another of the highlights of the day was the teacher swap. Teachers visited different classrooms to read their favourite books to the children before taking part in a fun activity related to the book that they had read.

As the day drew to a close, everyone gathered for an assembly to announce the winners of the 'Book in a Box' competition. The creativity displayed in the entries was impressive, and it was a tough decision for the judges. The winners were awarded a £5 voucher, while the runners-up received a token for the vending machine. Congratulations to all the participants for their fantastic efforts! They have enjoyed exchanging their vouchers for exciting new books at this week's book fayre. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Irwin, our literacy lead for organising such a fantastic event and to all of the staff and parents for your enthusiasm and engagement, which made the day a resounding success.



### LEARNING TODAY FOR LIVING TOMORROW

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th March**  
Parents' Evenings

**Friday 21st March**  
Red Nose Day

**Wednesday 26th March**  
Children of Courage Awards Rotary Club

**Friday 28th March 6pm**  
PTA Chocolate Bingo

**Tuesday 1st April**  
Easter Service at St. Denys

**Wednesday 2nd April**  
Football fixture vs Navenby

**Friday 4th April**  
End of Term 4

**Tuesday 22nd April**  
Start of Term 5

**Monday 12th-Thursday 15th May**  
Year 6 SATS week. Free breakfast club for Year 6 pupils.

**Monday 19th May**  
Maths day for Reception, Year 1 & 2

**Tuesday 20th May**  
Maths days for years 3-6

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

**Friday 23rd May**  
End of Term 5

**Monday 2nd June**  
Start of Term 6

Resilience

Tolerance

Aspiration

Respect

# Not All Super-Heroes Wear Cloaks



WRITTEN BY MR FARRINGTON

I am delighted to share my WASP article this week for many reasons. The main ones are I can get back to celebrating all that is good about the Alvey, rather than tell you about headlice and parking, which are important topics but not ones I want to focus on regularly. I deliver collective worship every Monday. My presentation this week was entitled 'Not all Super Heroes wear cloaks' and focussed on the efforts being made by several of our staff to raise awareness of homelessness, as well as raise funds for those who are homeless. Several Alvey staff are taking part in the 'Big Sleep Out' today. This has been mentioned in previous editions of the WASP and I am sure you will join me in wishing them all very best on what promises to be a very cold night. The idea of 'Not all Super Heroes wear cloaks' is something I have the privilege of seeing daily at the Alvey. I see so many impressive actions from children and staff. All these actions add together to create a school community that I am proud to be part of. I would like to share some of the most recent examples I have come across with you today. Our Reception children recently visited a local farm. I was so pleased to hear that the farm staff 'were very complimentary about the children and the school. Several of them said how well behaved and polite the children were, and one lady said that they were a credit to the school.' Leonie's mum contacted me recently, and I will share the main contents of her email with you:



'Leonie started a dance class six months ago; and attends one hour per week during term time. During this time, she has worked together with other 4-6 year olds as a team to develop their ability to listen to the beats of the music, to coordinate their bodies to the beats and to synchronise their movements with each other. Over the weekend, Leonie and her team were very brave and seemed cool as cucumbers as they performed so well for the first time to the public at the Carre's Sports Hall - completely packed with spectators! Many adults said they could not do what the children did. In addition to feeling awesome and proud of herself, she received a certificate and medal.' Go Leonie - your family and everyone at the Alvey are super proud of you! I know several other Alvey children took part in the same dance show as Leonie. Please contact me if you would like me to mention your child in forthcoming editions of the WASP. Perry and Bella are becoming a regular feature in my WASP articles, due to their skill, determination, and brilliance. Perry came first in a recent

car racing event organised by the Newark Racing Car Club. I loved hearing about Perry's **resilience**, when he told me he has now won third, second and first place in the races he has taken part in. Bella continues to show similar levels



of **resilience** and skill with the artwork she frequently shows me. This week's offering was Pom Poms, which I imagine are very difficult to make.



The last hero I want to tell you about this week is Issy. Issy has won many gymnastics medals over the years. Rather than 'rest on her laurels,' Issy has continued to push herself and has recently won two more gymnastics medals for her performance on the beam, as well as being part of one of the best teams to enter the competition. Best wishes, Mr Farrington



## Bake Sale Thank You and Fundraising Reminder

A big thank you to everyone who took part in the bake sale last Friday. Your cake donations and purchased helped to raise money for our Big Sleepout event this Friday. It raised **£279.51**. This takes our total raised to **£743.51**. We are aiming to raise £1000.

Please think of our staff tonight as they complete the Big Sleepout. Temperatures are predicted to dip down to 0 degrees Celsius. They are true **CORAGEOUS ADVOCATES**.

Any donations can be made on our just giving link.

Here: [https://www.justgiving.com/page/william-alvey-primary-1?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=EM](https://www.justgiving.com/page/william-alvey-primary-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM)





# Year 1 Explore Sleaford By Bus

Written by Mrs Barclay



Last week Year 1 went on an adventure around the town. As part of their history and geography work, they have been focusing on the local area. They explored the town on the local Sleafordian bus, spotting different types of housing and local landmarks. They also took the time to look up! They were astonished to find that people live in the flats above the shops in the centre of town and that if you look carefully, you can find dragons.

Whilst walking through the town they found out about William Alvey's home, the Cenotaph and our very own St Deny's church, the one-way system and why the footpaths are wider. The highlight of the trip was buying their very own bus ticket!



# Reception Fire Service Visit



On Monday, our Reception classes had an exciting visit from Sleaford Fire and Rescue Service as part of their "People Who Help Us" topic. The visit, rescheduled from before half term due to a large fire in the market place, was eagerly anticipated by the children.

The firefighters explained their roles and responsibilities. The children learned all about the importance of smoke alarms and about how to 'Stop, drop and roll' if their clothing were to catch fire. The children loved trying on the firefighter outfits and exploring the fire engine, especially seeing the hoses and ladders up close. A particular highlight was being able to practise being a real firefighter by squirting the large hose. Unfortunately, the visit was cut short due to our community heroes having to leave to attend a real-life emergency.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the fire service for making this visit possible. The children thoroughly enjoyed it.

# **Non-School Uniform on Friday 21st March**



**£1 donation to be  
handed to your child's  
class teacher.**





# CHOCOLATE DONATIONS!



Our Annual Chocolate Bingo night  
will be on 28 March, 6pm.

We are asking for donations of  
chocolate. Please bring donations  
in to school by 21 March.

Thank you for your support!



# CHOCOLATE



**All Welcome!**

**Friday 28 March**

**SCHOOL HALL**

**Doors Open 5.30pm**

**BINGO starts 6pm**

**BOOKS £1**

Drinks and Snacks Available to buy!

Cash only.



# Charity



The Isla  
Rae Mighall  
Memorial  
Match  
12:30 KO

Family  
**FUN  
DAY**



**FREE ADMISSION**

## Sat 5<sup>th</sup> July

**12 Noon  
Onwards**

MKM Stadium, Eslafor Park,  
Boston Road, Sleaford, NG34 9GH

By kind permission of Jamie Shaw and Sleaford Town FC.  
Clubhouse and bar open all day.

For more details about the day, or to book a car boot pitch,  
contact **Carole Heslam** on **07958 680180**

- Food & Drink
- Car Boot Sale
- Sleaford Fire Brigade
- Craft & Cake Stalls
- 50/50 Envelopes
- Traditional Village Games
- Bouncy Castle & More
- Charity Fitness Challenge  
courtesy of Jim's Gym

All proceeds raised from the event will be shared between



# SLEAFORD CHARITY FAMILY FUN DAY



**SATURDAY 5 JULY 2025**

**12 noon onwards**

**Eslaforde Park (Home to Sleaford Town  
FC), Boston Road, Sleaford**

**Pitches: Cars/Small Vans £5**

**Large Vans £10**

**Strictly NO TRADERS**

**To book a pitch call Carole on 07958 680180**

Proceeds from this event to Cancer Research and Rainbows Children's Hospice



Dear Parent/ Guardian,

I am delighted to write to you to let you know about our next PTA event, our annual Chocolate Bingo! This letter is intended to give you all the details you will need for the evening.

Date – Friday 28 March  
Doors open at 5:30pm  
Bingo starts at 6pm.  
Entry is free.

On the night, drinks and snacks will be available.  
£1 tea/coffee  
£1 cake  
20p sweets and chocolate.

Bingo books will cost £1 each or 6 books for £5.  
Cash Bingo will cost £1 for 1 strip.  
We will be holding a raffle, priced at £1 per strip.

Our popular Chocolate Bingo evening is a family event; children must be accompanied by an adult.  
Entry will be through the doors by the Air Raid Shelter.  
The event is cash only.

We are welcoming donations for this event of chocolate related items, such as Easter eggs and chocolate bars. Please drop your donations in to school by 21 March. If you are able to provide any dairy free items, these would be gratefully received, we aim to be as inclusive as possible.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at 'The William Alvey PTA' for updates. Every event you support helps us to enhance your child's journey at the William Alvey.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards,  
Heather Kasperczyk  
On behalf of the PTA.



### Wellbeing sessions with Nicole



Join LPCF for a free 90-minute Zoom session to help improve mental health & wellbeing.

Nicole from Hummingbird Hypnotherapy will be providing proven techniques to help us make positive changes to our lives.

Relax with like-minded people in a positive atmosphere.

Date: **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm – 9pm**  
Topic **Managing your own and others expectations**



To book your place please see the booking form on the events page of the LPCF website. See link below.

If you haven't received a zoom link a couple of days before the session please check your junk mail.

These sessions are for LPCF parent members only.

We now have a private page on the website specifically for parents who regularly attend our sessions to provide them with more resources and support between sessions.

### Juggling the Joys of parenting



#### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 11am – Understanding Strategies**

These workshops have been developed with LPCF over a number of years and are a chance for parent carers to meet other parent carers and learn new strategies in a friendly easy to use style.

Our experienced presenter Hil Gibb has worked with children and young people, parents, teachers, and headteachers for over 30 years. Hil is great at helping groups of people to find the best way forward.

The 'Understanding Strategies' workshop is designed to enable you to:-

- feel more confident when supporting your loved one
- explore the power of strategies over our behaviours
- reflect on your strategies and those of your loved one
- generate an 'action plan' for more positive outcomes
- reduce stress and drains on time and energy.

To find out more click here:

[https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/DocsPDF/pjtj\\_2024-25juggling\\_the\\_joy.pdf](https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/DocsPDF/pjtj_2024-25juggling_the_joy.pdf)

Please book on the link below.



# Join our Coffee Morning



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**



# 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](mailto: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](http://www.sleafordrotary.co.uk)

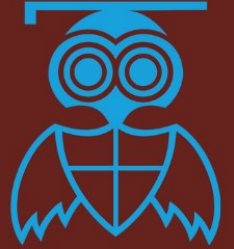
Proceeds to their supported charities





# William Alvey C of E School

## School Uniform Supplier



Loyalty Cards  
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In house alterations  
from £10!

Changing facilities

Free on-site parking



ArionShop, Unit 11, The Point,  
Lions Way, Sleaford, NG34 8GG



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We welcome you to our Arion Shop or order via our website!



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# Chef of the Week

Ready, steady, cook!

This week the children made coleslaw under a pressure time of 30 minutes. They all worked amazingly well as a team. Luckily, there was hardly any crying with the onions, very impressive.

Then we had Mrs Swain come to test the coleslaw, she picked Isabella and Sienna as the winners. Thank you Mrs Swain and well done girls.



