



Hello!

We open our newsletter with some very exciting news! We are over the moon to announce that Amazing People Schools has been awarded the **Teach Primary Wellbeing Award 2023**. Following on from winning the Teach Secondary Award in 2020, the team at Amazing People Schools are delighted that the judges recognised how using our stories and resources provides a sound basis for supporting mental health and wellbeing in schools.



We are a small team who are dedicated to helping support schools to nurture the next generation of Amazing People and being recognised for this award means the world to us.

If your school is interested in developing its students' mental health and wellbeing with a strength-powered approach, check out our most recent live Virtual Soccer Schools session that took place on World Mental Health Day in October. Find out why Premier League footballer Antonee 'Jedi' Robinson told an audience of over 1000 schoolchildren that **kindness** should be everyone's default setting.

[Watch Here](#)

To find out more, why not take a look at our '**Teacher Guide to Character, Mental Health and Wellbeing**'. Or, if you'd prefer, you can **set up a bespoke call with Selena** our Education Manager to discuss how Amazing People Schools can help your school.

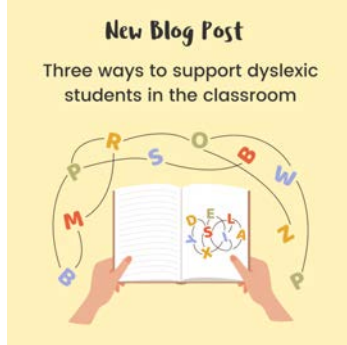
[Teacher Guide](#) | [Bespoke Call](#)

Kindness is such an important strength for students to recognise, identify with and develop. So important in fact we thought, to celebrate our award win and World Kindness Day on November 13, we'd like to share an extra special treat with our newsletter subscribers. Check out our new resources section below to download our '**Strengths of the Heart**' assembly to show your students how strengths including kindness can be developed.

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## ***What's Happening on the Blog?***

**Three Ways to Support Dyslexics in the Classroom**



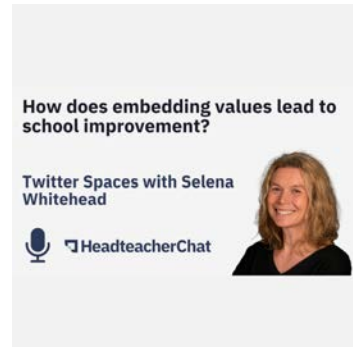
We received feedback from schools demonstrating a great need for a resource featuring role models with dyslexia. Read the blog and use the accompanying resource to support the aspirations of dyslexic students and to exemplify the strengths dyslexics can have.

[Read Here](#)

## HeadteacherChat: School values – we have all that worked out...right?

Positive school values, ethos and climate are all essential for behaviour and for providing young people with the framework they need for life. Selena chatted to Lucy and Jonathan at HeadteacherChat live on Twitter Spaces (click the image to listen). Read her blog about the subject and discover how your school can ensure your values permeate the fabric of the school.

[Read Here](#)



## Bullying & Character

Developing an anti-bullying policy that encourages meaningful open discussion between parties is essential for success, but how can schools achieve this? Read this ahead of **Anti-Bullying Week, 13-17 November**.

[Read Here](#)

## Celebrating Differences

**3 December** marks the **International Day of the Disabled Person**. Our blog, written by our EDI consultant Danise Grant, explores how 'differences' can be delicately raised, celebrated, and discussed with pupils from a young age so that when students encounter someone 'different', it is not scary, intimidating, or strange, but exactly the opposite – dare we say, "the norm". This blog includes a link to our Diverse Voices resource '**Amazing Disabled People**'.

[Read Here](#)



We've been keeping a little secret...

# Our online shop is NOW OPEN!



Over the past year, our team has been working away in the background to design and develop a range of merchandise for schools, teachers, students and families which encapsulates the Amazing People that we feature on our learning platform. **We are so excited to announce that the shop is now open!!**

From t-shirts to mugs, tote bags and more we hope you find something you like.

If there is something missing that you'd love to see in our shop please let us know. We are developing new product ideas all the time and want to make sure that we have something for everyone!

**We will be offering a bulk discount for school orders, so watch this space for more information!**

[View Shop Here!](#)

## ***News, Views & Free Resources***

### **British Values**

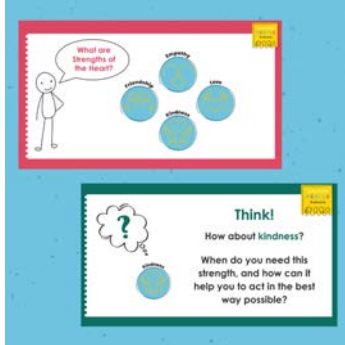
British values must be promoted in all State Schools in England. We have developed a resource on how Amazing People Schools can be used to help promote British Values using the stories of Amazing People like Emmeline Pankhurst, Mahatma Gandhi and Albert Einstein. Click the image to have the resource sent to your inbox!



### **World Kindness Day**

#### **NEW: Strengths of the Heart Assembly**

Recently uploaded to the platform, you'll find our



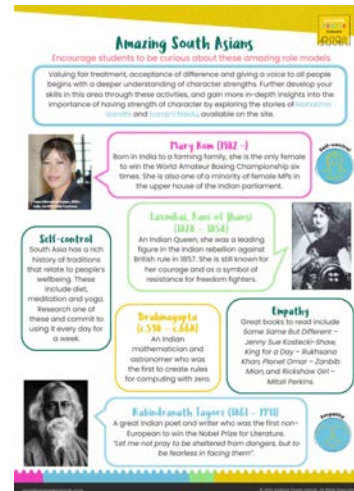
latest assemblies that focus on our Amazing Person Model. We are offering an exclusive sneak peek at our **'Strengths of the Heart'** assembly to our newsletter subscribers which shows how strengths including kindness can be developed. Download your copy [here](#).

## Celebrate Diwali

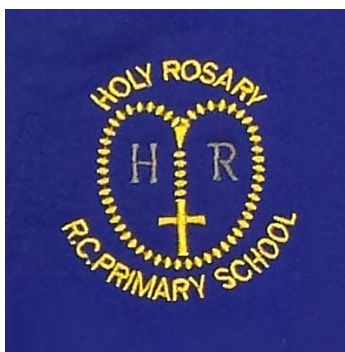
### With Amazing South Asian People

To celebrate Diwali on **12 November**, why not download our **Amazing People from South Asia** resource to discuss the rich heritage and influence of people from the region.

[Download here.](#)



## News from our Schools



### Welcome to Holy Rosary Primary School

Holy Rosary Primary joined our Amazing People Schools community after seeing a presentation at a Blue Cow supplier evening. They have become more multicultural as a school and are looking to embed inspirational people across the whole curriculum. They loved to see the wide range of characters displayed in the Amazing People Library along with all the linked resources.

### Amazing People Day - Frodsham CE Primary School

We were delighted when Frodsham Primary told us they were planning on holding an Amazing People Day in October to fundraise for their school subscription, we knew we'd have to include it in our newsletter so all our subscribers could see the incredible effort the students went to!

All the children chose a role model to dress up as – what an inspiring and fun day it was. The children held a thought-provoking assembly, explaining what they had learned about their Amazing People and how they used their character strengths. Watch out for our upcoming blog with all the incredible images of the day. Thank you Frodsham!! (Photos via Twitter/ @FrodshamCE).



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## Teacher Feedback

*"I liked the website when I first looked at it, but now I've properly seen it and just the potential of it, it's really exciting. Staff really like it. They find the resources really support what they're trying to do - with a blend of historical and contemporary."*

**Matthew Hughes, Headteacher, Cayman Prep School**

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## Upcoming Events

Discover how developing key character strengths can help both staff and student wellbeing by signing up to our FREE events below...



**Friday, 8 December, 2023, 9.30am BST**

### APS x VSS Live Session for Schools

Our half-termly free session for schools will take place on December 8th. You can sign your class up to join us and our soon-to-be-announced superstar for the live session [here](#).

# ACE ANNUAL CONFERENCE (MIDLANDS) 2023

Friday 24 November

9:45am - 3:30pm



**Friday, 24 November**

## **Association of Character Education Conference, Birmingham**

It was wonderful to meet so many schools at the ACE conference on 3 November. We ran a free prize draw for teachers who told us who inspired them, and we're delighted to announce that **The Wren School** are our winners.

Come and see us in Birmingham for your chance to win a **free year's subscription** to the site!

## **Planning for 2024?**

Get your planning sorted for early 2024 and book a call with Selena, our Education Team Manager. She can work with you on how Amazing People Schools can help solve your challenges in bringing in diverse role models, embedding school values, supporting mental health and wellbeing and more.

**[Book a call!](#)**

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## **Monthly Planners**

Click to download your monthly guide with engaging ideas on how to embed Amazing People Schools into your classroom in a range of subject areas.

Also, don't forget to check out the Amazing People that we shine a light on this half-term. Scroll down to the end of this email to download your FREE role model profile cards.

**November 2023**

Amazing People Schools

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 Practical applications to develop key character strengths	1 Melbourne Cup Day	2 Day of the Dead	3 Love	4	5 Bonfire Night/ Guy Fawkes	
6 Marie Curie	7 Marie Curie born (1867)	8 STEM Day	9 Social Media Kindness Day	10 Muharrab alaturk died (1938)	11 Remembrance Day	12 Diwali
13 World Kindness Day	14	15 Aneurin Bevan born (1897)	16 International Day for Tolerance	17 Sachiko Honda born (1905) International Students Day	18 Lucy and Ethel Maudslayi's birthday (1908)	19 Abraham Lincoln delivers the Gettysburg Address International Men's Day
20 Universal Children's Day	21 World Hello Day	22 Mary Seacole born (1805) Thanksgiving	23	24 Origin of Spiciness by Charles Darwin published (1855)	25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	26 Sopranos Truth died (1887)
27 Ada Lovelace died (1852) Ada Lovelace revolutionises the computer (1843)	28 Ada Lovelace	29 Thanksgiving	30 Mark Twain born (1834)	Men's Health Awareness Month 13-19 November National Recycling Week		

Use our planner to connect vital character strengths and wellbeing resources with key dates to help students thrive!

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**November Planner**

**December 2023**

Amazing People Schools

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 Practical applications to develop key character strengths	2 Empathy	3 AIDS Awareness Month	4 Abraham Lincoln	5 Abraham Lincoln gives State of the Union address (1861)	6 Abolition of Slavery Day	7 International Day of People with Disabilities
8 World Wetlands Conservation Day	9 Walt Disney born (1901)	10 20th Anniversary of the end of apartheid (1991)	11 First Day of Hanukkah	12 Love	13	14 International Human and Animal Rights Day Nobel Prize Day Ada Lovelace born (1815)
15 World Kindness Day	16 Support wellbeing and unlock student potential	17 Walt Disney	18 15th Day of Hanukkah Walt Disney died (1966)	19 Ada Lovelace	20 Ludwig van Beethoven born (1770)	21 Simón Bolívar died (1830)
22 International Migrants Day	23 George	24 International Human Solidarity Day Socogomo died (1892)	25 Walt Disney	26 Beethoven's 19th Symphony premiered in Vienna (1824)	27 Madam CJ Walker born (1867)	28 Christmas Eve Elizabeth Arden born (1874)
29 Christmas Day	30 First performance of King Lear (1606)	31 Charles Darwin set sail on the Beagle (1831)	1 Ada Lovelace	2 Support educational events to engage students	3 New Year's Eve Elizabeth Arden born (1874)	

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**December Planner**

## Celebrate some Amazing People this Month

**Aneurin (Nye) Bevan born 15 November 1897**

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Born into a poor family in Wales, he overcame many obstacles to become a leading figure in British politics.

The NHS was launched in 1948, which resulted in free healthcare for every man, woman and child in Britain.

Despite suffering from a stammer, Nye Bevan has been described as one of the greatest ever parliamentary speakers.

Many institutions bear his name, including The Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, and Ysbyty Aneurin Bevan Hospital.

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Empathy

Fairness

Teamwork

**Mary Seacole born 23 November 1805**

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As a British-Jamaican nurse in the 1800s, Mary Seacole's leadership and courage paved the way for diversity in nursing in the UK.

Named 'greatest black Briton' in a survey in 2004, to celebrate the UK's black heritage, Mary Seacole stood against prejudices and discrimination against all the odds.

A statue of Mary Seacole is sited at St Thomas' Hospital in London. It was unveiled in 2016.

The Mary Seacole Trust promotes Mary Seacole as a source of inspiration for a fair, diverse, and inclusive society.

Amazing People Schools

Adaptability

Enthusiasm

Kindness

## Mark Twain born 30 November 1835

**Mark Twain**

Mark Twain was an adventurer and writer who is known as the 'Father of American Literature'.

Mark Twain believed in equal rights and he delivered the famous 'Votes for Women' speech.

Numerous places and structures have been named in his honour, including a cave, a lake, a national forest, a bridge over the Mississippi River and even an asteroid.

Mark Twain's books have been translated into more than 75 languages, with more than 6,500 editions.

Adaptability

Enthusiasm

Optimism

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## Walt Disney born 5 December 1901

**Walt Disney**

Disney was a brilliant film producer and entrepreneur. His loveable characters and magical imaginings continue to bring joy to the world.

He won 7 Emmy Awards and 26 Academy Awards. He received more awards and nominations than any other individual in entertainment history.

In recognition of his contribution to the entertainment industry, Walt Disney is honoured with two stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Walt Disney funded CalArts (California Institute of the Arts), a school to train future artists and storytellers. Its graduates are some of the leading filmmakers of today.

Creativity

Optimism

Teamwork

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## Ada Lovelace born 10 December 1815

**Ada Lovelace**

Considered the world's first computer programmer.

Ada Lovelace was called 'the Enchantress of Numbers' due to her brilliant intellect and amazing skill in mathematics.

She predicted that a machine would be able to encode music about 150 years before the first MP3 player was introduced.

Ada Lovelace asked questions and used her imagination at a time when women were not supposed to do such things.

Open-mindedness

Teamwork

Self-discipline

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### Not got your free access yet?

Remember if you like what you see in this newsletter, it is just the tip of the Amazing People Schools iceberg!! Our platform hosts hundreds of interactive and downloadable resources, so if you haven't signed up for your free access trial yet, you can do so using the button below.

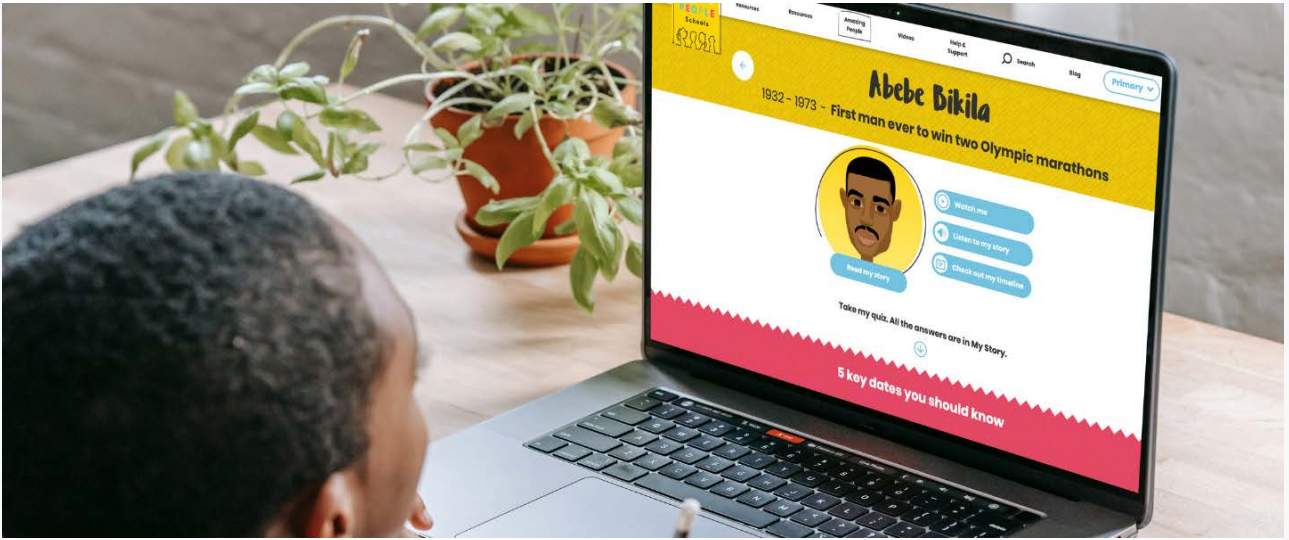
Or if you'd like support in implementing diverse voices or character strengths across your curriculum, you can book a short 1:1 Teams call with our Education Manager, Selena Whitehead by clicking [here](#).

Until next time...

**Team Amazing People Schools**



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