



Delivering an outstanding learning experience for all children so they flourish and thrive; enabling them to achieve their own individual excellence.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another fabulous two weeks at Excalibur with a wealth of learning happening in all classrooms.

Yellowbrick Road

Last week, we were visited by the Yellow Brick Road workshop who delivered a range of exciting learning opportunities to our Year 3 and Year 4 classes.

Linking with our topic of Romans in Year 3, the workshop taught the children all about Boudicca, Roman settlements and even expressed the different roles of various Roman Gods through drama and dance. Thank you very much to Yellow Brick Road for such a wonderful, enjoyable workshop!

On Friday, our Year 4 class welcomed two very strict Victorian teachers into their classroom. The children learnt all about where the Victorians fit into history and the chronological order of some of the events occurring in Victorian times. The children explored what life was like in the workhouses for many children and adults. The children then got a taste of what a Victorian classroom would have been like!



Mental Health Awareness Week

During this week, each of our classes have been busy doing a variety of activities focussing on Mental Health. The theme for our awareness week has been *Nature*. The children have enjoyed a range of activities including; focussing on things which they enjoy and that make them feel positive; finger knitting, creating beautiful stained glass windows; using different media to create a collaborative class collage; producing a fantastic tulip collage which incorporated news items of how the pandemic has affected mental health and posters to encourage other to be close to nature.



Mrs. Kemp's Mental Health Garden Area

This week, Mrs. Kemp has been working with lots of children in small groups to develop our new Mental Health Garden Area, located by our allotment plots to

the right of our car park. They have been really busy setting up a shelter, making dragonfly decorations out of beads and wires and painting pebbles. They also worked on appreciating their sense of smell and hearing by identifying different herbs and listening to the wildlife.



Sports Week

This year, our Sports Week will be taking place a little later in the year, on week beginning 21st June 2021. During the week, the children across the school will take part in a variety of sporting activities. The event will culminate in Sports Day on Friday 25th June. Full details about the format of this will be sent out in due course and will follow local authority guidance.



Amazon Wish List

As you may be aware, we are in the process of building a new school library. We strongly believe that promoting a love of reading in our school is an integral part of our school life. Many thanks to parents who have already donated a host of wonderful books to populate our library area. Should you wish to support the school further, we have put together a wish list of books available on Amazon. We would be grateful of any help you could give.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/35SEFBKCIF0MH/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Parent teacher telephone consultations will be taking place Thursday 20th May or Tuesday 25th May (Y1 will be Thursday 27th May). We hope that this gives you an opportunity for you to speak with your child's class teacher and discuss their return to school and progress since returning.

Social Media

We will continue to post updates on our social media channels (Facebook and Twitter), as well as on our website. Please follow us to keep up-to-date with what's going on.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Mrs Jones
Head Teacher