

28th September 2018

## Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 1 Week: four

## **Reception Class Newsletter**

This week the children have been busy learning about their skeletons. We have talked about the bones in our body and the children were very keen to meet the school skeleton. We sang "The Skeleton Dance", chalked skeleton pictures and heard plenty of "Funny Bones" stories.

In maths, the children have been busy counting and saying number names in order and looking for missing numbers. We have also been collecting, storing and interpreting data in our favourite colour survey. The children had to decide their favourite colour and they we looked closely to see which colour had the most votes.

We have begun our phonics program, Read, Write Inc. with the children. They have been learning the sound and formation of letters m, a, s, and t. The children have also been introduced to 'Fred the frog' who can only use Fred talk. The children have made a good start.

On Tuesday, we made our own butter to spread on our crackers at snack time. We worked really hard, shaking the cream until it separated. All you need is double cream, a pot with a lid and some marbles. It's amazing!

Hedgehogs! This week we have been finding out about them, we used a fork to paint prickles, made our own using pinecones and found out lots of interesting facts. We also talked about caring for wild animals when they are ill.

## Make and Do

The children are really enjoying the "Make and Do" area. We have completely run out of cardboard tubes, boxes and bottle tops for make and do. Please save and send in any suitable resources next week.

We cannot use medicine packets or toilet roll tubes for healthy and safety reasons.



Congratulations to Imogen and Albie who are our stars of the week. Keep up the hard work!



Our VIP's for Friday lunch were Max and Jack S.
Well done!

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October- Infant Harvest Assembly Infant parent/carers are invited to come and watch. Any food donations for Alsager food bank will be gratefully received on the 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Wednesday 17th October- 'Reception Welly Walk'- Reception children to go out and about on a local walk to Merelake Way. The letter has been sent out so remember to give consent and let us know if you are willing to volunteer help on the walk. The more the merrier!

## A great big thank you!

On Monday we asked that the children come into school on their own. This was a big step and they have all risen to the challenge. Thank you for all your support in making this a successful transition into school life!

