

26<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: One

## Reception Class Newsletter

A warm welcome back to the start of the summer term! The children were excited to be back at school and were thrilled to start a brand new topic. They could not wait to use our new role-play "Excalibur Vets" and learned how to check in the pets on a vet's treatment form.



In literacy, we have been writing wonderful work for our wall. Some of the children have recorded lists of pets and looked at hearing and recording sounds in order. Other children have recorded sentences about a pet they would buy from the pet shop. Some children recorded a "Guess who?" description so others could try to work out their riddle. We looked at recording sentences which could be read by others and reread them to check that they made sense.

In maths, we have been recording numbers to twenty. We have also been handling data to find out which pets were most popular in our class. The children then displayed the results using 2count on the computers. We have also been singing the months of the year and counting in tens.

We have made the most of the outdoors with a selection of activities including water play, large construction and pavement chalking. The children have also loved using our new fairy toadstool, which was made from an old cable spool. *Many thanks Mr Cheadle!*

### Holiday Homework

Thank you for all the fabulous pet homework we have received this week. The children have enjoyed showing the results of their fantastic projects and we can see they have had great fun making them. If you didn't get chance over the holidays, there is still time to get creative and we will make time to show the finished results. We are also looking forward to sharing Red groups projects on Monday.

### Show and Tell

Next week, we are inviting the children to bring in a cuddly toy pet on their show and tell day. They will be able to give it a health check at "Excalibur Vets". Our second request is that the children bring in a photo of their pet to talk about during show and tell. If they do not have a real pet then they will be able to talk about their toy pet instead.



### Vets and Pets Workshop

We are arranging a visit from a local vet to talk to the children about caring for pets. The children may also get to meet a variety of small pets and exotic creatures. **Please let us know if your child has any known pet allergies or if they are nervous around certain creatures!**

## Super stars

Well done to Owain and Teal who are our stars of the week. Fantastic effort!



Our VIP's at lunchtime today were Jack S. and Reuben. Super manners!

### Mystery Reader

Elliot's mum came to be our Mystery Reader this week. She shared the story of "The bear who played piano and the dog with the fiddle." The children listened beautifully. Many thanks for your time!



### Calling all Mystery Readers!

We need parents/carers/grandparents to sign up for a mystery reader slot on Wednesdays at 2.45pm.

*Have a lovely weekend,*

*Mrs Rogers, Mrs Cheadle, Mrs Thompson, Miss Lewington and Mrs Brooker*