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18<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Newsletter 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy two weeks it has been with lots of exciting things going on in school. The children have been really engaged in their learning and have produced some excellent work.



# **Viking Workshop**

Our Year 4 children had a brilliant day on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Arriving at school in their Viking costumes, they certainly looked a fearsome hoard! For the whole of the day they participated in a fun and engaging workshop and experienced life as true Vikings.





### **Basketball**

Our Year 3 class have been honing their skills in basketball. Working with partners, they

have been having fun, learning how to throw and catch the ball.





# **Amazing Artwork**

Our talented Year 5 class have been using the painting "The Great Wave off Kanagawa" by Hokusai to create their own piece of artwork with amazing results.







## **Helping Hedgehogs**

Linking in with their book "The Hodgeheg" by Dick King Smith, our Year 2 children are in the process of creating an information text about hedgehogs. As a result of intensive research, our intrepid Year 2 detectives believe that our grounds may be used at night by hedgehogs. Last week, Mrs Weatherby gave Alsager Hedgehog and Wildlife group a tour of the school grounds to see if our outdoor environment is hedgehog and wildlife friendly. We are eagerly awaiting their reply!

#### **Year 6 High School Open Morning**

Last week, Mrs. O'Neill, Head of School at Alsager School, visited our Year 6 class to tell them about the High School and officially invite them to the online open morning due to take place on Saturday 26th September. The children enjoyed finding out about the school and appreciated the swan badges that they were given.

## **Year 6 House Captains/Vice Captains**

Last week, children from across the school voted for their house captains. Children from Year 6 videoed their own campaign videos, explaining in one minute or less why they wanted to represent their house. These were then watched by the children from each year group and voted for. Many thanks and well done to everyone who put themselves forward to represent their house.

Following an official count, we are pleased to announce our new house and vice captains:

#### **Camelot**

House Captains: Liam & Maddie

Vice Captain: Calum

#### **Arthur**

House Captains: Josh & Taylor Vice Captains: Henry & Evie

Merlin

House Captains: Graysen & Tilly Vice Captains: Jake & Claudia

We wish them all the best as they undertake their roles and we know they will represent their houses superbly.



# Social Media

As many of you will know, we have recently launched a Facebook and Twitter account for Excalibur. These accounts will be used as an additional way of showcasing what our children have been doing as well as sharing news and event reminders with you. Since starting the accounts in early September, we already have lots of exciting posts so please like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter to keep up-to-date with what's going on.



# **Welly Store**

So that we are able to make use of our field over the coming months, we are asking children to bring in their outdoor shoes. We will be sending the children home with their outdoor shoes that have remained in school during lockdown so that you can check if they still fit your children. If this is the case, they

can be returned to school. Otherwise, please can an alternative be provided.



# **Before and After School Club**

The children at Treetops have been getting autumnal and doing some leaf printing, autumn colouring and painting. As well as lots of outdoor play and making the most of the dry weather!

# **Traffic and Parking**

A polite request that, when you are parking your car for either drop off or collection, we would ask that you are considerate of our neighbours and other parents.

### **And finally**

At Excalibur, as you know, we operate an 'open door' policy.

Please contact the school if you have any questions or queries.

Mrs Jones Head Teacher