



Our vision is to nurture and develop resilient, life-long learners who are caring and responsible, enabling them to achieve their own individual excellence.

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Newsletter 18

New day. New thoughts. New strength. New possibilities. Karen Salmansohn

Dear Parents/Carers,



Good morning to everyone!
Welcome back after the half term. We hope that you have had a lovely break in the sunshine. The weather has been absolutely glorious!

Home Learning

There will be new printed packs available from next week, should you need one. Further details about these will follow.

This week, we have launched a new learning platform with our Year 6 learners. Seesaw is an interactive tool which allows the children to respond directly to tasks set. Today, Mr. Hancock has already received responses from many of the Year 6 children. Many thanks to everybody who has already got in touch via Seesaw.

All classes will be able to access Seesaw soon. Look out for a letter in the near future which will be sent to you as each class goes live and will explain the learning platform in more detail.



News from Home

News from home has been quiet over the half term break. Please keep sending in your photos or videos. We really do love to see what the children are getting up to. We enjoyed seeing the pictures of Parry and Corey enjoying the sunshine and we were delighted to hear about Imogen spending time making beautiful bookmarks that she



donated to the Alsager Kindness Campaign. What a lovely thing to do!

News from School

On Monday 18th May, Mrs Weatherby had a surprising email from 'Epic'. The Year 2 children have now read 600 books. What an amazing achievement! Mrs Weatherby sent the children two books about sharks to read and there was a quiz at the end of each book. The children have been reading a wide range of books; 'Ice-cream', 'Let's Visit the Ocean' and 'The Dinosaur Museum' to name but a few. Mrs Weatherby says 'keep going you are all superstars!'



Competition Time

Medicspot has launched a new home challenge for children to learn about washing their hands in a fun and creative way. They are asking primary school children to share their creative ideas to help encourage frequent hand washing. Some ideas could include: making a poster; recording a song; doing a science experiment or writing a poem about handwashing.

Medicspot is calling all Excalibur children to share their creative ideas to help encourage frequent hand washing. Find out how you can enter and win £500 for Excalibur Primary School here: www.medicspot.co.uk/handwash

Returning to School

As you know, some of our children will be welcomed back in the next few weeks. Our staff are incredibly busy at the moment getting everything in place for their safe return. We are all very excited about seeing the children again. Details regarding structures and procedures around the return to school will be sent out to parents this week. For those children that will be remaining at home, online learning will continue and printed packs will be available. In addition to this, our new learning platform, Seesaw, will enable a more interactive experience for our children.

Support and Useful Resources

The Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust has collated a valuable online library full of resources which can support professionals, parents, carers and children during the Covid-19 outbreak.

Highlights include a family focused COVID-19 Self Care Kit.

<https://www.sheffieldchildrens.nhs.uk/patients-and-parents/coronavirus-resources-for-children-and-families/>

NSPCC Learning also has an extensive library of resources which can help parents, carers and professionals to support children's mental health and wellbeing during the COVID-19 outbreak.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/2020/april/supporting-children-young-people-mental-health>

As always, please look after yourselves and be kind to yourselves and remember that you can contact us at any time on contact@excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk.

We really do love to hear from you!

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