

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall 'safety on site' assembly and poster design competition at Jericho School, Whitehaven**

Morgan Sindall delivered a 'safety on site' assembly for Key Stage 2 children at Jericho School, Whitehaven to highlight the hazards of construction sites.

Morgan Sindall is currently delivering the Infrastructure Strategic Alliance (ISA) in joint venture with Arup and is based in Albion Square in Whitehaven. As part of Morgan Sindall's commitment to the local communities in which they work, the local team was keen to assist the school in raising the children's awareness of why it is important not to enter a construction site, particularly with the imminent construction work planned at Jericho School and St Benedict's, secondary school.

The talk was delivered as an interactive learning experience which included some of the children trying on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in order for them to understand why the use of PPE is so important on construction sites and in everyday life, for example when visiting the local skate park.

The children were encouraged to enter a poster design competition to reinforce the importance of site safety. The winner was Josh Nixon (centre) and the runners up were Jack Elsmore (L) and Jaya Stephenson (R).

Jack Elsmore, Year 6, said: "I learnt about what to wear to be safe if you're walking around a construction site. I also learned how to report a problem such as a hole in a fence. I have enjoyed doing the poster competition because I like drawing - I have drawn shiny bits on cones, signs and security gates which you shouldn't go through."

Gillian Johnston, Community Investment Coordinator for Morgan Sindall, said: "The children impressed me with their enthusiasm, and their ability to stay focused for the duration of the assembly. Their posters were of a very high standard, and demonstrated that they had listened to the key messages. They asked relevant questions and seemed genuinely interested about how to stay safe."

Miss McGill, Deputy Headteacher, Jericho School, said: "The children learned some important lessons about staying safe in and around construction sites. They thoroughly enjoyed being able to try on the protective clothing and have made a real effort with their safety posters. The safety assembly was particularly relevant as one of our local secondary schools, St Benedict's, is soon to begin construction works; and Jericho itself is due to be rebuilt in the near future."

The ISA is one of a number of long-term strategic supply agreements aligned to the Sellafeld Ltd acquisition strategy. The ISA is responsible for a £1.1 billion contract to provide essential infrastructure assets to the Sellafeld site.

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