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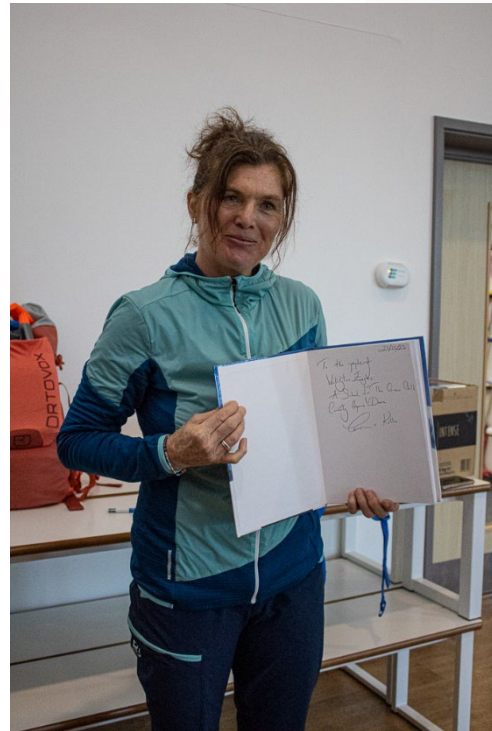
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Fjord's Mountain Mission Author Visits Ludgershall Primary

Caroline Elliot visits Wellington Eagles Primary Academy to talk to pupils about her book 'Fjord's Mountain Mission'. In her many roles of Snow Safety Educator, Search and Rescue (SAR) Avalanche Dog Handler & Inspirational Speaker, Caroline held an assembly on the safety of skiing and what hers and Fjord's role entitled.

Using her spade, prong, and Fjord's nose Caroline is able to locate anyone stuck under the snow after an avalanche, which are essential if the person does not have a transceiver. Some of Caroline's roles included ski patrolling, controlled bombing, weather observing, an avalanche dog handler and educator.



The pupils were excited to say hello to Caroline's new service dog, Kayla, from France, who specialises as a bed bug sniffing dog. Caroline went on to talk about Kayla and her training, including her treat toy used as an aid to reward Kayla upon completing her task. Giving pupils the chance to ask questions, one pupil asked, "what led her to this career?", Caroline went on to say "having worked in the mountains as an instructor, I fell in love with the Alps. However, my passion was to help people which led to where I am now."

Sarah Johnson-Motyl had commented “It was an honour to have Caroline visit. With many of our pupils having a strong passion for skiing, they were all super excited to hear of Caroline’s adventures in the French Alps alongside her trusty dog Fjord. It was also a great opportunity to introduce the pupils at Wellington Eagles to the many different roles of service dogs outside of Lilibet’s role.” Last year, Wellington Eagles welcomed Lilibet, the school’s therapy dog, with Sarah Johnson-Motyl always looking for ways to educate the pupils on service dogs.