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3rd July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move ever closer to the end of this academic year, a variety of exciting activities have been taking place at Excalibur. With the sun coming out in full force for Sports Week, we hope the weather continues to be kind to us as we embark on our upcoming summer events.

Sports Week 2023

What a week we had! Our annual Sports Week took place last week, bringing a host of sports and activities to every child at school. As well as sessions led by class teachers, including the trim trail, sports day races and multi-skills sessions, we were visited by sports coaches and providers from around the local area. Particular thanks to Triton Hockey Club, Alsager Tennis Club and AFC Alsager who led our activities. All of these clubs offer sporting opportunities to children of all ages.

Our children were an absolute credit to themselves and the school, displaying sportsmanship throughout the week and having a go at every activity.

The week culminated in our Sports Day. It was a pleasure to welcome so many parents, family members and friends to enjoy the day with us – we hope you enjoyed the sporting spectacle. Sports Day winners will be announced on Friday.

FOE at Sports Day

Many thanks to our volunteers with FOE who sold drinks and doughnuts during the KS1 and KS2 sports day. Also, the children were delighted to receive ice lollies on Friday courtesy of the FOE fund.

Year 5 & 6 Rounders Tournament

On Thursday 8th June 2023, a squad of Year 5 & 6 children competed in the annual Alsager Community Trust rounders tournament which was held at Alsager School. During the event, the team played against four other local schools, successfully winning three matches and drawing the last one. The tally resulted in us winning

the tournament! Well done to everyone who participated.

Alsager Tennis Club Open Day

On Saturday 24th June, Alsager Tennis Club hosted a fantastic open day to showcase the club and invite new members to join. Activities during the afternoon included tennis coaching, a BBQ, cake stall, games, live music, competitions and membership offers. There was even some beer and gin for the adults!

If you are interested joining the club, they offer a range of tennis playing opportunities for children, families and adults.

Reception Runway Centre Trip

On Thursday 8th June, our reception class visited Manchester Airport to see the planes at the Runway Visitor Park. During the trip, the children got to watch some planes take off and saw some older planes on display. Well done to our youngest children for their exemplary behaviour while on the trip.

Year 4 Blists Hill Trip

On Friday 23rd June, Year 4 visited the Blists Hill Victorian town to further complement their learning in history. Part of Ironbridge, the children were able to experience the sights, sounds and smells of Victorian life. They were able to visit Victorians shops and cottages and joined authentic craftspeople demonstrating in a recreated working town. The children represented Excalibur brilliantly throughout.

Year 2 Tennis Festival

A group of four Year 2 children participated in a tennis festival held at Alsager Tennis Club. During the session, the children took part in a variety of games and activities designed to improve their tennis and agility skills. Well done to everyone who took part and many thanks to Mr. Bundy for leading the session.

It's Your Move Session with Christ Church

On Wednesday 21st June, Sam and Jen from Christ Church visited our Year 6 class to lead a session about the children's upcoming transition to high school. During the session, they discussed potentially worries about starting secondary school and considered the best actions to take in different scenarios. Many thanks to Christ Church for providing such an engaging and important session.

Year 5 Bikeability

During June, many children in our Year 5 class have taken part in the Bikeability workshop. During the sessions, the children learnt how to ride their bikes safely. Well done to all the children who took part. Soon, our Year 6 children will get the chance to do the next level of Bikeability.

OPAL

Our outdoor play and learning provision continues to develop, with an ever increasing number of loose parts, such as tyres and pipes. We have also been inundated with recent donations of items, such as a toy ice cream van which has been popular with the children. Many thanks to everyone who has donated.

To see what great activities have been happening at lunchtime, visit the following page on our school website:
<http://www.excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk/page/opal/113550>.

We are always striving to further improve our offer, so if you have any toys or other items which you think would be suitable please let us know by emailing contact@excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk or speaking to a member of staff.

In particular over the next couple of weeks, we are looking for any other children's toys to go into the old fort area and complement what we already have.

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or need safeguarding advice, please contact the school or, alternatively, our website has links to useful phone numbers:
<http://www.excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk/page/supportservices/6049>

Our Safeguarding Ambassadors

Mrs Jones - Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Rogers – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Miss McArdle - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Hilditch – Safeguarding Ambassador
Noah – Safeguarding Ambassador
Imogen – Safeguarding Ambassador
Ewan – Safeguarding Ambassador
Ava – Safeguarding Ambassador

Support with the Cost of Living

With the current financial situation effecting families across the country, Cheshire East Council offer a variety of support, including a Cost of Living Crisis Team. For more information, please click on the following link:
<https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/education-employment-and-money/money-matters/cost-of-living.aspx>.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jones
Head Teacher

Mr Hancock
Assistant Headteacher

Diary Dates

Date	Event
04.07.23	Year 6 Alton Towers Trip
05.07.23	Move-Up Afternoon
06.07.23	Year 6 Day at Alsager School
07.07.23	Summer Fair
10.07.23	Year 5 Trip to New Brighton
11.07.23	Year 2 Trip to Llandudno
11.07.23	Year 6 Production Matinee Performance
13.07.23	Year 6 Production Evening Performance
13.07.23 – 14.07.23	Year 6 Bikeability
18.07.23	Rocksteady Concert
18.07.23	Year 6 Garden Party (4:30pm until 6:00pm)
21.07.23	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly