



21<sup>st</sup> November 2017

## Newsletter 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Engelsea Brook Visit

Year 6 visited Engelsea Brook chapel and museum to take part in a number of science based sessions within the historic building. They were given a tour and took part in a number of scientific challenges. I received a letter in the post from the education leader at Engelsea Brook which praises our children for their perseverance, respectful attitude and excellent behaviour during the visit. Thank you, Year 6.



### Sports Round-up

On Thursday 16th November a group of Year 2s participated in an activity session at Alsager School as part of the Alsager Community Trust. From 3.30 until 4.30 the children tried out in a variety of sports and activities, including: dribbling in football, hockey and basketball; a game of dodgeball and a game of netball; relay races with sit-on skateboards; and sprints in between cones in an agility exercise. They all seemed to have a fantastic time, practising and improving their skills in each of the activities.

The activities could not have happened without the expertise of the town's Bronze Ambassadors (four Year 6 children from each school). They ran the activities in which the Year 2s participated and they all did a fantastic job. A special thanks and congratulations to our own Bronze Ambassadors, Eva, George, Izzy and Ben: they were commended several times on their professionalism and skill in running their activity, both with our school and four other groups.

### Friends of Excalibur

Friends of Excalibur are busy preparing for the Christmas Fair which takes place on 1<sup>st</sup> December

(please be aware that there will be no football afterschool on this date). F.O.E's are well on the way to funding the trim-trail which we would like to install on the field for the children. The funds have been given a great boost from a kind donation of £1,000 from the Rotary – many thanks to Mr. Mackey for this.

### Extra-Curricular clubs

A reminder that the last extracurricular clubs this term will be week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> November.

A letter for the spring term clubs on offer will be sent out in January.



Miss Robinson's favourite day! We would like to invite the children to 'make the world better with a sweater' on Christmas jumper day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Normal uniform should be worn, just the school sweatshirt swapped for a festive alternative! Suggested donation of £1; all monies raised will be donated to Save the Children.

### Christmas cards

If children wish to send Christmas cards, they can start to bring them into school from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December (no earlier please!). Remember to write both names and the year group on the envelope. They should be posted in the school Christmas postbox which will be out in the reception area and our Y6 helpers will run a delivery service to the classes.

### And finally

Please remember that a range of information, dates and letters are uploaded to our website for your convenience – available 24 hours a day. We work very hard to keep this up to date. School's principal communication tool is via parentmail. Please be wary of information via social media platforms as it is unofficial and unfortunately is not always accurate.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Lise Houldsworth  
Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

A list of dates currently in the school diary.

New dates are added in **bold**.

24-11-17 Fire Service IN – Y5 – Escape to safety
27-11-17 Infants visit to Wesley Place – Nativity puppet show
29-11-17 Governors meeting – Standards & Curriculum 5pm
30-11-17 FOE non uniform day
01-12-17 FOE Christmas Fair – details to follow
01-12-17 Y2 to Y6 visit to the New Vic – Treasure Island (subsidised by FOE)
05-12-17 FLUENZ (Reception – Y4)
06-12-17 Full Governors meeting 5pm
07-12-17 Infants Christmas celebration at St.Mary's 2.15pm – details to follow
12-12-17 KS2 Christmas performance – hall - 2pm – details to follow
13-12-17 Reception & Y1 visit to The Lowry – The Gruffalo (subsidised visit by FOE)
<b>15-12-17 Christmas jumper day</b>
20-12-17 School Christmas lunch – details to follow
22-12-17 School closes

09-01-18 School opens
12-01-18 Y2/3 Yellow Brick workshops
<b>16-01-18 5pm Phonics Evening for parent/carers – details to follow</b>
<b>19-01-18 Be extraordinary challenge – Bentley IN Y5</b>
07-02-18 Governors meeting – Resources & Personnel 5pm
09-02-18 FOE film night – details to follow
16-02-18 School closes

26-02-18 School opens
<b>01-03-18 Class photos – Academy IN</b>
6/7/8-03-18 FOE Mother's Day gift wrap – details to follow
14-03-18 Governors – Standards & Curriculum 5pm
16-03-18 Mid-Year report card home
<b>22/23-03-18 Y4 Standon Bowers – details to follow</b>
22-03-18 Parent/teacher consultations 4-7pm
27-03-18 Parent/teacher consultations 3.30-6pm
28-03-18 Full governors 5pm
29-03-18 School Closes