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24th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fabulous start to the year! Our school environment has been a hive of activity with lots of exciting and fabulous learning going on.

Excalibur Library

With the return to school, we have been delighted to make full use of our new and improved Excalibur Library. Children from across the school have been making use of the library on a weekly basis, borrowing books from a whole range of topics, including fantasy fiction and information books about the Olympics and famous scientists. Many thanks to Mrs. Hilditch, Mr. Pickin and Miss Hilditch, who have worked hard over the summer to stock our library and make it into the fantastic area it now is. We are always keen to add new books to our library so, if you have any books at home which you would like to donate, please bring them in to school. Alternatively, we have an Amazon Wish list which can be used to purchase a book as a donation:

<https://amzn.eu/2JIKKyz>

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thankyou to everybody who has already donated to the library through either cash donations or purchases through our Amazon wish list.

Alsager Netball Club

We have been contacted by Alsager Netball Club to promote their training sessions, which take place weekly at Alsager Leisure Centre. Alsager Netball is a well-established club which provides training and match opportunities for both boys and girls. Please see below for details:

Wednesdays at 5:45pm to 6:45pm – Year 6 (cost of £5)

Fridays 5:00pm to 6:00pm – Years 3, 4 and 5 (cost of £5)

Matches are played on Sundays for those who wish to play.

Singfest

On Tuesday 21st September, our Year 5 children visited Alsager High School for their first rehearsal for Singfest. The children sang beautifully and were a credit to our

school. They will have one more rehearsal before their final performance.

Artwork at Excalibur

This term, children across the school have already been practising their art skills in preparation for final pieces later in the term. In particular, Year 2 have been looking at the work of David Hockney, studying the way he uses patterns and textures in his art. Well done Year 2! Elsewhere in the school, art has been on full display: Year 6 have been practising the drawing of silhouettes as part of their work into traditional African art; Year 4 are in the process of completing their Picasso-style portraits; and Year 1 have created their own polystyrene printing tiles to produce their own owl prints.

Nantwich Young Voices

Are you interested in performing with a local choir? Nantwich Young Voices meets in the Chapel at Elim Church in Nantwich on Tuesdays from 4:15pm to 5:30pm. This is suitable for children aged 6 – 13. For more information and to sign up please visit lovemusictrust.com/ensembles or call 01270 766214.

Year 5/6 Football Tournament – Week 1

Our Year 5 & 6 football squad competed in the first week of the Alsager Community Trust competition against the local primary schools. They did superbly throughout, showing grit and determination in both of their games. In the end, they won their first game against St. Gabriel's 2-0 and narrowly missed out on victory in the second.

Governor Opportunity

We are looking to recruit a parent governor for our school. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to school life through supporting the strategic direction of the school and ensuring the best possible outcomes for all of our children. More information regarding this opportunity will be sent out in the next two weeks.

Lunchtime Welfare Assistant

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime welfare assistant to work one to one with 2 of our younger children. For more information regarding the role, please click on the following link:

<http://www.excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk/page/job-vacancies/93862>

Chancery Trust – Parent Consultation

Just to keep you up to date, Chancery Multi Academy Trust, which Excalibur is part of, is soon to have another school join. Willaston Primary Academy is hoping to be part of our family of schools at Chancery from 1st November. This is an exciting stage of Chancery's growth which will strengthen us all. Willaston leaders and staff have already started to work closely with us

and we are all excited about sharing best practice further and continually striving for the very best for our school communities. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to contact us.

And finally

As is always the case, please let me know if you have any queries or concerns. I look forward to working with you over the next academic year.

Mrs Jones
Head Teacher