



EXCALIBUR PRIMARY SCHOOL
Ivy Lane, Alsager, Stoke on Trent, ST7 2RQ
Head Teacher: Lise Houldsworth
Tel: 01270 685136
E-mail: admin@excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk



19th April 2018

Dementia Friends Project

Dear Parents and Carers,

As mentioned in previous school newsletters, in early May, we are undertaking a 'Dementia Friends' project run by the Alsager Partnership. The project is part of the Partnerships pledge to make Alsager a dementia friendly town. Local businesses and schools are being invited to take part.

Dementia is an illness that affects many families and with this in mind we are writing to you before our part in the project commences. This week, Kath Reader from the Alsager Partnership came to meet with staff to talk about dementia and outline the project and the activities we will be involved with.

On Wednesday 2nd May, Kath and her team of volunteers will be coming to spend the day with us. They will lead a series of 45 minute workshops with children in Years 2-6. The sessions have been devised by the Alzheimer's Society and have been offered by the team to all schools in Alsager. The session content varies slightly according to the age of the children.

The sessions will sensitively talk about what Dementia is and how it can affect someone. During the introduction children are encouraged to speak to the adults in the class if they are worried or upset. Towards the end of the session the children are invited to think of Dementia friendly actions and become a dementia friend.

Further information and support about Dementia can be found on the Alzheimer's Society Website.

Children in Reception and Year 1 will take part in discussions run by their class teachers after 2nd May.

Kind regards,

Mrs D Rogers

