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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, may I thank everyone who completed the parent questionnaire following parents evenings - your views are very important to the strategic development of our school. As usual, you can find attached a collation of the views expressed. At the next governor's community meeting, the returns will be considered and suggestions planned for, where possible. Once again, thank you for your support.

Easter Eggstravaganza

Friends of Excalibur did a fantastic job of providing a great event for our children and their families. We raised a fantastic £554.29 - thank you to everyone who supported the event. The money raised will be added to the pot and will be used to directly benefit all children in school. Currently, F.O.E are raising money to match fund a bid by the school to improve even further the playground facilities for the children. We will keep you informed how this progresses.

Other events have raised monies as follows:

Spring disco - £367.40

Curry Night - £90.00

Mother's Day gift wrap - £266.95



Y3 Sing Together

Our fantastic Y3's joined with several other schools from Cheshire East to perform in a concert at the Victoria Hall. We are very proud of them. Here is what some of the Y3 children thought:

"I really enjoyed it because my friends supported me. I was really nervous before but I then I passed my fear."

"I thought it was really nice to see other schools and sing together not to compete but team up."

"I thought it was amazing.."

"We really enjoyed it, it was awesome.."



Walk like an Egyptian..

Year 4 recently visited Manchester Museum to enhance their study of Ancient Egypt where they got to see real historic artefacts and to gain an understanding of how we know about the past through a range of evidence. A great day for all! You may have spotted them on the playground today as they are having a special Egyptian themed day to provide a 'fantastic finish' to their topic this term. Thank you to everyone for dressing up and getting into the spirit of bringing the learning to life.



Reception at Wesley Place

Reception have been out to visit Rev Bill Anderson at Wesley Place as part of their learning about people and places in their community. They were accompanied by one of our governors. She reported that our children were *"excellently behaved and a real credit to the school and staff"*. Thank you, Reception.

Rev Bill Anderson will be joining us for our Easter assembly tomorrow.



Liverpool Museum

Year 5 visited Liverpool World Museum to understand changes in Britain from Stone age to Iron Age. They had a really good day and learnt about interpreting information from primary sources of historical evidence.



Year 1 sharing assembly

Well done to our space experts in Year 1 who shared their learning with parents/carers in their class assembly on the solar eclipse day. They spoke so clearly and with great confidence - brilliant!



Year 4 Brass Concert

After a term of whole class brass tuition, Year 4 performed a concert for their parents/carers. They did a really good job and the progress they made in such a short time has been super. Well done Year 4!

And Finally...

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish you all a lovely Easter break.

Yours Faithfully,

Lise Houldsworth

Head Teacher

Diary Dates Ahead

Please check the school website regularly and remember all letters are put on to the website for your added convenience.

2/4/15 Easter Celebration Assembly 9.15am
2/4/15 SCHOOL CLOSES

20/4/15 SCHOOL OPENS
29/4/15 FOE Fashion show
30/4/15 The Killer Mile - details to follow
5-6/5/15 Y4 residential visit to Standon Bowers
6/5/15 Reception to Stockley farm - details to follow
6/5/15 Governors - community 5.30pm
7/5/15 Polling Day - School closed (included in annual requirement of 190 days children/ 195 days teachers)
11/5/15 Y6 SATS week
21/5/15 Reception class assembly
22/5/15 SCHOOL CLOSES

1/6/15 SCHOOL OPENS
3/6/15 Governors meeting - Teaching and learning 5.30pm
8/6/15 FOE meeting @ The Manor 7.30pm
12/6/15 Y3 class assembly
13/6/15 Alsager carnival
15/6/15 Y1 Phonics screening week
23/6/15 Life Education Van arrives
29/6/15 SPORTS WEEK
29/6/15 Interschool athletics @ Highfields 5.30pm
1/7/15 Governors meeting - Strategic leadership 5.30pm
8/7/15 Full Governors meeting 5pm
10/7/15 End of term reports
10/7/15 FOE Summer Fair
15 & 16/7/15 Y5 Bikeability
17/7/15 SCHOOL CLOSES