



Our vision is to nurture and develop resilient, life-long learners who are caring and responsible, enabling them to achieve their own individual excellence.

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“A river cuts through rock, not because of its power, but because of its persistence.”

James N Watkins

Dear Parents/Carers,



Good morning to everyone!

This morning, it was great to see another year group return to school. Our Year 1 children bounced eagerly on to the playground, full of excitement at being back at school.

Home Learning

Online learning will continue for all year groups in the same way. In addition to the resources on our website, new printed packs for home learning will be available for collection from Monday 22nd June. KS2 classes will continue to use Seesaw, our new and interactive online learning tool. It has been really great to see the engagement from children. If you haven't yet registered for Seesaw, please do so and get in touch if you are having difficulty signing up.



News from Home

It has been another busy week for many of our pupils. Finn and Willow have thoroughly enjoyed the Big Bang activities and have worked together to design and create Monty's home and a bridge out of just 10 sheets of A4 paper. Isabelle has written an amazing piece about "Traction Man". Ellie has led her own sports day, including obstacle races, balancing, space hoppers, water relays and standing jumps. Mr Hancock will be very impressed! Thanks for sharing your home learning.

News from School

Big Bang with Staffordshire University

Well done to everyone who took part in last week's online Big Bang event organised in partnership with Staffordshire University. If anyone in KS2 wishes to share what they did as part of the event, either respond to your class teachers on Seesaw or send photographs into school via email.

The event page will remain live until July 20th so there is still plenty of time to access it if you haven't already. The link can be found below; the password is StaffsUni2020.

<https://www.learnbydesign.co.uk/so/0fN8iEqfw?cid=00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000#/main>

Last week, we welcomed our Reception class back into school. The children had a really exciting week, engaging in lots of fun activities. We were really impressed by the creative artwork that they made on our playground.



The children also tried their hand at some gardening.



Phone calls from school

If your child is not in one of the returning year groups, you will be receiving a phone call from your child's class teacher over the next few days. We are keen to know how learning is going at home and if there is any further support that you need from school.



Summer Reading Challenge

As with previous years, the Reading Agency, in partnership with Public Libraries, have launched the Summer Reading Challenge. This year's challenge will take place online - to register click on the following link:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>.

And finally...

As more children return to school, we would just like to give a polite reminder that parents should drop off and collect children at the specified times. This is to ensure maximum safety for all concerned.

As always, please look after yourselves and remember that you can contact us at any time on contact@excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk.

We really do love to hear from you!

Mrs Jones
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