



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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"Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass, but about learning to dance in the rain."

Dear Parents/Carers,



Good morning to everyone!

This morning, it was great to welcome back our Year 6 children to school. Despite the rainy weather, they came with smiles and eagerness and were clearly pleased to be back.



News from Home

It has been another busy week for many of our pupils. We have had lots of pictures from our new starters telling us about what they have been up to at home. We have also learnt about many of the favourite places of our Reception children. Thanks for sharing your home learning. Please keep sending in your pictures.

News from School

We had a fabulous week in school with our children involved in a host of exciting activities. Our Reception Class explored some really exciting science and undertook a number of different experiments. Whilst investigating the question: Will the Rainbow Fish Sparkle? The children discovered that, as it was so dark at the bottom of the ocean, the Rainbow Fish didn't sparkle. However, when they used a light source they could see the sparkling scales. Following that, the children used salt to make objects float in water to help them understand why people can float in the Dead Sea. They also used ground coffee and filter paper to

help understand that, in a fish, oxygen passes through the gills and into the bloodstream, helping them to breathe underwater. In their final experiment, the children joined two plastic bottles together, filled one of the bottles with water and shook the bottles to create a tornado effect. What fabulous learning!



Phone calls from school

Class teachers have really enjoyed speaking to their classes. It has been great to hear about all the learning that has been happening at home.

Staffing

We are really pleased to announce Miss Taylor's return to school on 20th July. After enjoying the last 12 months with Lucas, she is looking forward to being back at Excalibur.

We would also like to welcome Miss Rachel Hilditch to our team. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating her on her appointment. The full staffing structure will be sent out on Wednesday 1st July.

Meet the Teacher

It is about this time of year that, under normal circumstances, we would be inviting parents to a "Meet the Teacher" evening and organising a move up afternoon for our children to meet their new class teacher. As, in this present climate, this is not possible, we have created an area on our website where you will be able to virtually "Meet the Teacher". Further details of how to access this will follow.

End of Term Arrangements

As you will be aware, term time for our Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children will finish on Friday 17th July. This is allow for time in school for our other year groups. Many thanks to everyone who has indicated whether or not their child will be returning. If you haven't yet responded, there is still time to do so.

A letter will be sent out this week to explain the procedures for dropping off and collecting and which session your child will be attending.

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
Head Teacher