

EXCALIBUR PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable Christmas break. We didn't exactly have the smoothest start to the term at Excalibur, but the staff and children have adapted well as we continue to provide a wide and stimulating range of learning opportunities throughout the spring term.

Friends of Excalibur – F.O.E.

Thank you to all of those who have recently joined our F.O.E. committee.



The Christmas Fair

| Activity | Cost |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Face Painting | £82 |
| Biscuit Decorations | £37.50 |
| Tuckshop | £99.60 |
| Bottlebola | £172 |
| Grotto | £100 |
| Candy Competition | £101.5 |
| Reindeer Food | £49 |
| Chocobola | £109 |
| Year 6 Game | £249.70 |
| Door | £61.10 |
| Stallholders contributions | £40 |

This was very well supported by the school community, including the school choir and Year 6 running their own stalls.

All your efforts were well worth it as we raised over £1000.

Thank you to all involved.

Keep an eye out for further communications about future activities F.O.E have planned for this term.

- 9th March – Mothers' Day Wrap
- 24th March – Easter Bake Off & Cake Sale
- 27th March - Easter Hat Parade



If you feel you are able to support any of these events, please do contact school on clerical@excalibur.Cheshire.sch.uk

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60th Anniversary Gala

In November we held two gala evenings to celebrate Excalibur's 60 years at Ivy Lane.



We were treated to some wonderful performances by the school choir and two talented, young, local singers - Amelia Elson and Charlotte Myatt.

The events were well attended and with donations realised a remarkable £3500 for school funds.

A big thank you to Mr White, Our chairman of governors For organising this event.



Mrs Jones and Mr White with our local MP, Sarah Russell.

Christmas Concerts

Thank you all for your support at the Christmas celebrations. All the children from EYFS to Year 6 put on great performances full of music, words and a whole lot of Christmas cheer.

Elf Run

Before Christmas, children across the school participated in the Elf Run in aid of St. Luke's (Cheshire) Hospice. They ran, walked or skipped around the field, donning their elf hats. Well done to all children for their effort and enthusiasm during the event. We raised a fantastic £1217!

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Year 1 – The Little Mermaid at the New Vic Theatre



Year one enjoyed a fantastic, immersive theatre experience at the New Vic theatre. They joined 2 mermaids on their voyage to "the surface" and helped them save the captured fish! All the children were

entranced by the mermaids and hooked into the drama. They did us proud with the way they engaged and behaved. Well done year one!

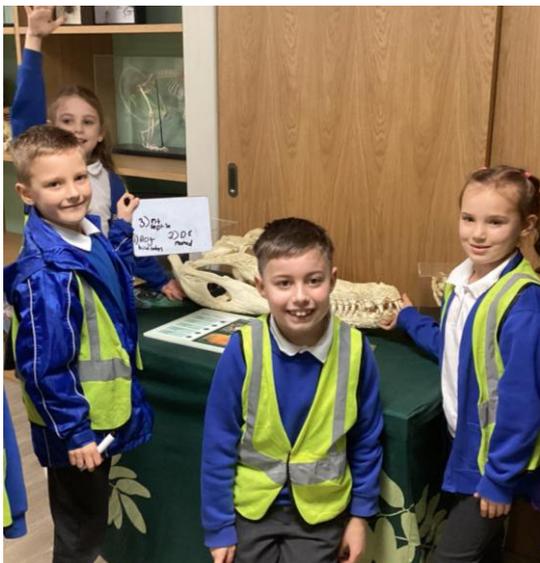
Year 2 - Hope Journey, Wesley Place

Year 2 enjoyed an interactive journey through the Christmas Story during their visit to Wesley Place. They met all of the characters and learnt about their involvement in the story.



Year 3 Chester Zoo

Last term, Year 3 visited Chester Zoo to learn all about rainforests in preparation for the geography topic. They saw jaguars, orangutans, elephants and lots more besides. They also learnt about the importance of palm oil and how people are working to preserve the world's rainforests.



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British Science Week

British Science week is coming up in March. This is something we always recognise at Excalibur. This year we



would like to focus on showing the children the great range of jobs there is working within the science industry.

If there are any parents who have a science-based career who would be happy to share their work with children, please get in touch with Miss Taylor via clerical@excalibur.cheshire.sch.uk

Year 5 Visit to RAF Cosford

We had an exciting and educational visit to RAF Cosford where we explored the fascinating history of the Royal Air Force. We were amazed by the aircraft on display and enjoyed learning how they changed over time.



During our visit, we took part in interactive activities and a workshop linked to our history learning around World War Two. We examined real artefacts, learned about life during wartime and discovered the important role the RAF played in protecting Britain.

The trip brought our classroom learning to life and encouraged curiosity, teamwork and thoughtful questioning. The children represented our school brilliantly and returned full of enthusiasm and new knowledge.

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Before and After School

Please can we remind all parents and carers that, in order to keep all children safe:

CHILDREN ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PLAY ON THE
OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

AND

CHILDREN ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PLAY BALL GAMES
ON THE PLAYGROUND BEFORE SCHOOL

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Jones
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Griffin
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead - Miss McArdle
Safeguarding Ambassador – Mrs Hilditch

Our Safeguarding Ambassadors are:
Symphony, Mikey, Gracie, Henry, Sophia and George

As always, should you have any concerns or questions,
please do not hesitate in contacting us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jones Head Teacher
Mrs Griffin Deputy Headteacher

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