



Saighton Church of England Primary School and Pre-School

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As we head towards the end of another year in Saighton, we reflect on a year filled with much joy, happiness and excitement. We are very proud of all of the children's achievements and it has been wonderful to see all of them grow and flourish throughout the year. This term, the children have been busy with numerous school trips, performances and outdoor learning sessions which have made for a fun-filled term to remember.

We wish you all a lovely, restful summer and look forward to welcoming the children back to school in September.

We recently celebrated the publication of our SIAMS report following an inspection earlier this month. We are incredibly proud of the report and we feel that it really captures the essence of our school and all we do every day to live out our school vision, Flourishing together, life in all its fullness. The report found that 'pupils and adults are confident in knowing they can flourish in a nurturing and supportive environment', and that 'genuine love is demonstrated by staff and pupils' which creates 'a place of calmness, security and happiness'. We are so proud of all of our children and the inspector commented that 'they actively seek to be agents for change in their community and beyond through acts of compassion.'



We are delighted with the report which affirms our commitment to a school environment which is nurturing and inspiring for all. The full report is available on our School Website.

Our congratulations to Mrs Kim Bowker and her husband who welcomed baby Renzo earlier this term. He is absolutely beautiful and both mum and baby are doing well. We were very excited to see Mrs Bowker and Renzo on sports day to welcome him to our Saighton family!



There have been lots of opportunities for our children to demonstrate their musical talents this term. Grosvenor have enjoyed peripatetic music lessons this term from Music For Life and have been learning to play brass instruments. They performed for parents in a wonderful recital and we were all very proud of their efforts.



We were very lucky to attend the AmaSing concert in Chester Cathedral this year and the children performed songs from various decades. It was lovely to collaborate with other local schools and share our love of music with the community.



Cavendish have been working with the Music and Drama staff from Abbey Gate College throughout the year and had the opportunity to take part in their Summer Gala. The children performed with confidence and dedication and it was an excellent evening for all involved.



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The children have enjoyed a variety of exciting visits this term. Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their residential visit to Glan Llyn where they took part in canoeing, rock climbing, raft building, swimming and lots of other exciting activities. The children had a wonderful time and created memories to last a lifetime.



Westminster and Belgravia visited Chirk Castle and became Kings and Queens for the day! They enjoyed exploring the castle, the beautiful grounds and even took a trip to the dungeons. The children conducted themselves very well during the visit and enjoyed extending their learning about their topic 'Dungeons and Dragons'.



During Health Week, Grosvenor enjoyed a visit to Danger Point where they learnt about how to keep safe on the roads, in water and in lots of other daily situations. Miss Eaton was very impressed with their knowledge and they represented our school very well.



Cavendish and Eaton class had a very enjoyable Buddy Trip to Pizza Express. They had a wonderful day together and filled with pizza, games and ice cream! The friendships that have been built this year are very special indeed and it was heartwarming to see the love they share for each other.



It has been a Summer Term filled with sports this year. We were very proud of our Year 3/4 football teams at their summer tournaments - a big well done to the girls who reached the final in their competition!

We enjoyed attending this year's Deanery Sports at Tarporley High School where the children competed with determination and positivity. Despite being a small team, the children returned with numerous medals!



Our Year 6 children represented the school at the Nantwich Water Polo competition and received 2nd place in the tournament - a brilliant effort!

Our Sports day and picnic lunch was a wonderful occasion where we welcomed our school community and celebrated the achievements of the children. It was a memorable afternoon and we were very proud of all of the children's efforts.



We were very grateful to receive an award from the Chester School Sport Partnership for our participation in numerous sports events this year. A big thank you to Mr Ffoulkes and Mr Battersby for supporting our children in these events and always encouraging them to be the best they can be.



As they head towards the end of their Primary School journey, our Year 6 pupils attended the Chester Cathedral Leavers' service. This was a beautiful event celebrating the achievements of all Year 6 children from schools across the Diocese. We were incredibly proud, as always, of how the children represented our school and were pleased to present our handmade church banner during the service.



Year 6 also put on an incredible performance of The Lion King to round off their time in Primary School in style! The children's hard work preparing for the show really paid off and they performed with confidence and love for one another.



We wish our Year 6 pupils all the very best as they move on from our school family. They are very well prepared and ready for the next stage of their learning journey and are a brilliant group of children who will be sadly missed. To the families that will be leaving us we thank you for your support and wish you well for the future.