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Dear Parent,

The Lower School Music Concert was a lovely event last night. It was good to see a large audience and the pupils should be proud of their performances. It would be unfair to name anyone individually as there were so many wonderful pieces. Very well done to all who took part and thank you to Mr Coupe and Mrs Paul for organising such an enjoyable event.

There have been a large number of sport fixtures over the past week and it is worth keeping a close eye on the calendar over the next week as the Games teachers will try to fit in all of the remaining cup games and tournaments. Please telephone the Lower School Secretary should you have questions; the College website will also have details.

Pupils have taken Assessment week in their stride and period grades will be published next week. Students are also busily preparing for the English Speaking Board examinations. I have heard snippets of some very interesting topics being rehearsed. Good luck to all pupils taking examinations next week!

Mr Baurance and a team of staff depart with a group of pupils to France on Friday evening. Pupils have been looking forward to the French Trip for a long time. The weather looks promising and I am sure they will enjoy a successful experience again this year.

There was a special Key Stage 2 Assembly this morning. Representatives from the local Ellesmere Library presented an award to Finlay Baggaley for the superb progress that he has made in reading this year. Well done Finlay!

It has been a busy time for the competitive Houses too. Teams are being chosen for the forthcoming Swimming Gala and Sports Day event and parents are very welcome to attend. We really enjoy families coming along to add to the atmosphere and we promise not to have parent races! Refreshments will be available throughout too.

Mrs Morgan has attached another aide memoire to the end of this Newsletter to assist with the information and planning of the forthcoming Expeditions. Please either send an email to lowerschoolsecretary@ellesmere.com or call the Lower School Secretary should you require further details for your child.

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Please remember that the College term ends on Saturday 1st July as detailed in the white College Calendar. The Last assembly is at 12 noon and the Strawberry and Fizz party commences on the Terraces at 12.45pm. Pupils may arrive in College with families from 11.30am in readiness for taking seats for the assembly at around 11.50am and refreshments will be provided. For those pupils not attending with their families College transport for home leaves at 1.15pm.

Have a good weekend.

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Yours sincerely,

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Lower School Expo's 26th-29th June 2017

Below is an overview of the activities taking place during Expeditions week for Lower School. Each day will be non-uniform but please bear in mind the weather; hopefully we'll have some sun and therefore sun-screen, water and a hat are essential. Sensible footwear is also a must for all the activities. If we have wet weather a waterproof coat will be required for all activities. I have included some clothing guidance in brackets next to certain activities. Any spending money brought on trips is the responsibility of the child. A small day bag is a good idea as packed lunches will be provided and may have to be carried by the child until it is time to eat.

Monday

Y3 and Y4 Acton Scott Working Farm (trainers or walking boots, rough clothing and Wellingtons if it is wet)

Y5 Roman Soldier in school

Y6 Manchester Museum of Science and Industry

Y7 Castles trip, North Wales (trainers)

Y8 Chester Zoo Biology Field trip

Tuesday

Y3 and Y4 Enginuity at Ironbridge

Y5 Chester Zoo

Y6 Blists Hill Victorian Museum

Y7 Spaceport, U-boat and ferry, Liverpool

Y8 Chill Factore, Manchester (*warm clothing, hat, water-proof jacket, gloves – helmet and snow-boots will be provided*)

Wednesday

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Theatre Clwyd Y7 'Thinktank', Birmingham Y8 STEM – in School

Thursday

AM: KS2 Swimming gala (come to school in sports kit and bring swimming kit)

KS3 Outdoor games/training (come to school in sports kit)

PM: All Years, Sports Day (sports kit)

Friday will be a normal school day and children should come to School in uniform. If you have any queries please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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