What’s the extra piece of knowledge I have about applying display: flex (And all its other related style attributes) to the <table> and <tr> tags?

Display: flex doesn’t work on the <table> tag, though it does work on the <tr> tag.

Even then, stick to the horizontal axis (flex-direction: row) so you don’t mess the table.

If you want there to be distance/gap between each cell of the table, Just use border-collapse: separate and border-spacing: style attributes.