SCHOOL NEWS

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Eid Mubarak!

We hope all our families marking Eid have had very happy celebrations with their families this week. As always, we have shared the celebrations with all our pupils and the Reception classes have been busy making Eid cards for their friends.



Help Raise Funds for the PTA!

easyfundraising.org.uk

It has been particularly difficult this year for our PTA to raise funds for school. One way our parents and carers can help, however, is by signing up to <u>'easyfundraising.org.uk</u>'. When you shop online, a huge number of retailers will make a donation to our school. Search for Etchells in the search box and sign up. So far, we have raised over \pounds_{700} through parents linking their online shopping to this site. Retailers include John Lewis, Argos, Sainsbury's, Ebay, to name but a few. Please support us by signing up. You can download the App for ease too!



We had a visit from Freddy Fit this week. Normally at this time of year, our Year 6 pupils would be taking their end of Key Stage 2 SATs and we arrange for Year 5 to spend the day with Freddy Fit, training to be playground leaders. These leaders would normally run lunchtime activities for other year groups which encourage exercise and teamwork. Whilst we are unsure of what the bubble arrangements will look like for September, we felt it was still beneficial for Y5 to undertake the training and learn how to manage activities and small groups. In the afternoon, our Early Years children were put to the physical challenge of Freddy Fit's workshops and loved every minute!







In celebration of their 50th year, St Ann's Hospice has come up with 50 ways we can all support them in fundraising. Check out the 50 ways <u>here</u>. As a school, we are going with Number 32: Cube of 50. We will have a cube in every class and we are asking for the children to bring in 50p coins to put in the class cube (or even pound coins). The cubes will be in class from Monday and will be available until half term. Please contribute if you can.



Superhairo Nel!

Superhairoes Hair

Give Hair and Hope to young people with cancer Thank you so much for your amazing hair donation!



We are so proud of Nel, who so generously donated 40cm of her hair to the Little Princess Trust. By doing this, Nel has enabled the charity to provide wigs and funding for vital research into childhood cancers. What a fantastic effort!

Kind regards, Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

SEND Week of Action

The Local Authority are working with parents, carers and school staff to provide a SEND 'Week of Action' They have asked us to share the following:



"During the week of 17-21 May 2021, we are focused on raising awareness of SEND by hosting our Week of Action! Throughout the week we will be offering a range of webinars and events for parents/carers and professionals, as well as hosted activities at the hospital. All done in co-production with our parents/carers and various organisations across the local area. We will be doing as much as we can to raise awareness and have a discussion with families of children and young people with SEND to offer support."

For the schedule of events please click here.

Year 1 Out and About

Lovely to see Year I out and about in the village this week, learning about their local area. They were on the look out for physical and human geographical features and compared their surroundings to the city of London. Some wonderful writing was produced as they learned to write a recount too. Fantastic hard work Year I!

