

SCHOOL NEWS

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Welcome Back!!

Welcome back to the Summer Term. We can hardly believe we are in the final term of the year! It is always a very busy term with sports days, SATs tests, reports, trips, open evening and end of year celebrations. We have sent home today your child's homework sheet and their year group newsletter. Please refer to the newsletter for all the key dates relevant to your year group for the term ahead. Class pages on the website are also a good reference point for information too.

I would also like to extend a big welcome to Mrs Kind who has joined us this week in her role as Inclusion Manager. She takes over from Miss McDonnell managing the Resource Base and carrying out the SENDCO role through school (Special Educational Needs and Disability Coordinator).

Summer Term Reminders

We are optimistic that we will see more of the sunshine this term! Please ensure the children come to school prepared with bottles of water and sunscreen applied on sunny days. They can bring a cap or sunhat to wear outside.

Children need to be wearing black school shoes - we have had a number of pupils wearing coloured trainers, boots and inappropriate sandals. Girls need to wear strong sandals during the summer months as they are running and active during the day.

Clubs

Due to a poor uptake of after school clubs this term we have re-opened the booking to allow further opportunity to sign your child up. We have a new Spanish club on Wednesday after school for Y3-6 which currently only has 10 places filled out of 20. The club is run by our new Spanish teacher, Tannia Ruedaquiñano. The Y3 and Y5 children really enjoyed their first lesson with her this week and may want to take advantage of the after school club.

Booking will close on Monday 24th April and 10 rather than the original 11 sessions will be payable.

PTA Thanks

We would like to thank all parents who kindly donated unwanted clothing and items for the Bag2School collection. We had a good number of donations which will now be weighed and funds will be paid to the PTA in exchange for the bags.





Mid-Day Assistant Required!

We are looking to recruit a Mid-Day Assistant to work with our lunchtime team of staff. The hours are 12 - 1.15pm, Monday to Friday and the annual salary is £2,264. A hot lunch is provided which can be taken at 1.15pm.

We are looking for someone who enjoys being with children and can encourage positive play and good relationships. We need someone who is caring, energetic and enthusiastic and is able to use their initiative.

The role involves helping the children in the dining room and assisting in developing play and cooperation skills during the lunchtime.

If you are interested please phone the school office or email me directly at headteacher@etchells.stockport.sch.uk

PTA Donation Days

Please see below details of the donation dates this year for the Summer Fair. Apologies for the wrong date given for the bottles in the last newsletter - it should have read Fri 7th July.

Date	Donation	Theme
Fri 5th May	£1 donation	Fancy dress/ come as a sports star
Fri 26th May	Sweets/chocolate	Non-uniform
Fri 16th June	Jar of wrapped sweets	Silly socks
Fri 7th July	Bottles	Non-uniform

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

Defibrillator in School!!



After discussions with staff and the PTA, and following on from recent First Aid training, we are very keen to get a defibrillator into school.

This is an essential life saving device to be used for anyone experiencing a cardiac arrest. Full training is given and the device actually talks through anyone using it for first aid care.

Defibrillators can be found in many schools, public areas, leisure centres, train stations etc and with a school our size, it would be extremely beneficial for us to have one in place.

In order to purchase the device and provide training for six members of staff we are looking to raise a total in the region of £1000. To do this we are going to hold a sponsored aerobic activity on Tuesday 9th May. Freddie Fit will be leading 20 minutes non-stop aerobic activity designed to encourage participation in physical activity which promotes a healthy heart.

Next week we are sending home a sponsor form with each child and would like to ask everyone to try and raise a few pounds towards the defibrillator. Sponsor forms and monies collected should be brought to school on Tuesday 9th May. Children will be able to wear their own sports gear for that day instead of school uniform.



Police Action with Parking!!

We have currently a team of police officers working with us to help improve parking around school. Please park sensibly for the safety of our children.

