# SCHOOL NEWS

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## Summertime!

We really are enjoying the summer weather, even if it is a bit hot in the classrooms and

around school. The children have coped brilliantly and we urge parents to continue sending in named water bottles, sun hats and to carry on applying all-day suncream next week.

The Nursery children have been outside enjoying some very refreshing water play - I think Miss Laurie enjoyed it too!



#### Willow Weaving

Our wonderful willow structures which were planted last year are certainly growing with some gusto! We need to keep an eye on them to ensure they don't become too overgrown and that they are tidy and useable. We have to regularly weave the overgrown shoots back into the structures.

#### Can you help with this?!

We would welcome any help from parents, grandparents and friends to come and spend half an hour taming the willow and encouraging it to grow in the right direction! If you are able to help please contact Mrs Mallinson or Mrs Plumb to arrange.

#### Parent Council

Last week, our Parent Council met for the last time this year. We had quite a short agenda this time but nevertheless covered some important issues. Please read the Parent Council newsletter attached to this School News.

You may wish to consider putting yourself forward to be a rep next year. It would be great to keep the Council going for another year as it is a really important and effective avenue for Parental Voice.

# Eco Team in the Bird Hide

Many thanks to the PTA for purchasing a bird hide for the school as part of the Outdoor Learning



Development Project last year. With help from the Eco-Team the hide is now up and running and makes the perfect spot to observe the wildlife in our school grounds.

## Heald Green Festival

On Saturday (tomorrow), the Heald Green Festival will be taking place at the Heald Green Community Hall and Field, which is just off Outwood Road. The festival offers something for all the family including go-karts, a bucking bronco, donkey rides and food from around the world. There will also be a range of stalls and live music. The highlight of the festival for us however is our football team participating in the Festival Shield. This is a local schools competition and should start around 12.30pm and



aim to finish around 3pm for the trophy and medals presentation. Thank you in advance to Miss Pennill who will accompanying the team. Please come along and support them if you can.

Enjoy the sunny weekend!

Kind regards, Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

#### **Class Photos**

Kelliejo has been in touch to say there has been a slight delay on the class photos being issued - there has been a technical problem at the lab but it is now resolved and she hopes to have the proofs ready to send home as soon as possible.

### PTA Update



We're really looking forward to the Summer Fair taking place <u>next Friday</u> <u>from 5pm - 7pm.</u>

I would like to thank everyone who has signed up to offer to help and for all the donations that have been sent into school recently. We really couldn't do this without your support and generosity.

We will be able to run most of the stalls but as we still don't have enough helpers for everything we wont be able to run the human fruit machine this year. If you can still help please contact the PTA and use the online sign up form.

Last donation day: next Friday we invite the children to come to school in their coolest summery outfit and bring a bottle of something as a voluntary donation. The bottle tombolas are amongst the most popular stalls so sealed, full bottles alcoholic or non-alcoholic - would be extremely welcomed.

