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Lacrosse Team

Well done to our Year 5 Lacrosse team, Adam, Humaid, Harry, James, Jonaz, Megan, Will and Lewis who played in the Brian Costello Pop Lacrosse tournament. Miss Pennill reported that the team played really well, were impeccably behaved and showed great sportsmanship. They came joint third and were an excellent representation of our school. Well done!

Book Character Day

Thanks again for the tremendous effort in dressing up last Friday and to those who kindly made a donation towards new reading books for school. I am pleased to inform you that £276.45 was raised in total.

Christmas Fair Planning

On Monday we held a very productive meeting to plan the Christmas fair. We will be asking each class to have a stall to run between parents (everything will be provided and ready to set up) - we'll let you know when a letter comes home about this. We are just asking for 20 minutes of help on a stall and then everyone can enjoy the fair and more stalls can run.

We very much rely on donations in order to put on a range of stalls and activities from both parents and the local community. In order to facilitate this, we will be holding 4 special Fridays next half term. Donations are of course voluntary, but we are giving as much notice as we can of what will be coming up after half term.

Donation Days		
When?	What to do?	What to bring?
14.11.14	Mad hair	Sweets in a jar for the 'Hoop the sweets' stall (wrapped sweets in a decorated jam jar)
21.11.14	Silly socks	Donate a clean cuddly toy for the lucky dip
28.11.14	Onesie/PJs	Bottles
05.12.14	Non-uniform	Cakes or chocolate



Robinwood

Year 6 have had a fantastic time on their 3 day residential. They have worked together on problem solving activities and you can see them below 'Disguising themselves from Agent Black'. I think we should ask them to explain!!!! Many thanks to Mrs Mallinson for organising the trip - it's a huge undertaking but we think it's worth it and the children gain so much from the experience. Thanks also to Mrs Fumagalli, Mrs Chappell and Miss McDonnell for giving up their evening times and enabling the trip to take place.



...and here they are setting off to 'Alien Conspiracy' !!!!



Amazing Animals

Year I had their animal topic brought to life by Animals In-Tuition. They listened and watched brilliantly and were delighted when they got the opportunity to handle the animals themselves. They were much braver at handling the HUGE spider than I think a lot of staff would be!!



Zig Zag lines

I would like to remind everyone that parking on the yellow zig zag lines is a parking offence and can result in a ticket being issued. You may be interested to know that we have been in touch with the council regarding the fact that our zig zag lines no longer lie outside our main entrances into school. The lines were positioned when children used to enter the school from the original entrance in the middle of the building. I have met with a Traffic Services Officer from Stockport this week and the wheels are now in motion to at least move the markings, or more preferably, to have them extended. We will keep you updated and in the meantime, as ever, I am asking all parents to park sensibly and legally, keeping the safety of our children at the forefront of our minds and not convenience.

INSET

Please remember that school opens again on Tuesday 4th November. The staff will be in school for INSET on the Monday, working on assessing the children's writing against the new Age Related Expectations (AREs) and checking that judgements match up between classes.

Have a restful and enjoyable half term holiday,

Cathy Beddows

and the Etchells staff