

# SCHOOL NEWS

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### After School Club

There have been a number of changes over the last year regarding the provision of our Breakfast and After School club. Most of these have gone smoothly and enable us to run the increasingly popular club more efficiently. Thanks to those who have welcomed the changes and use the new systems easily.

We are, however, experiencing some difficulties with families who are booking places and then not using them. Whilst these places will have to be paid for, it is unfair for others who are unable to use the club due to places not being available. If you no longer require a booked place, please cancel online - this needs to be done by 7am on the preceding Friday in order to avoid payment.

We are also experiencing difficulties with children being left in After School Club with no booking, even after a text has gone out to say there are no more places for that evening. Emergency provision will only be made if spaces are available. This is due to staffing ratios. If this continues, we will have no choice but to introduce higher charges for children left with no booking.

### A shorter week and a shorter School News

We seem to have spent a lot of this week checking what day it actually is!! We look forward to getting back to normal for 2 weeks before we break up for half term. I just have a few reminders to make this week and hope to resume to the full School News next week.

- ▶ Breakfast club in the hall for Year 6 only next week! Come to school early from 8.15am, have breakfast with your friends and get your minds into ship-shape condition for the SATS tests. Remember early nights for next week too!
- ▶ Y5 get ready for Freddy Fit on Tuesday - if your child has chosen to take part in the training, they can come to school in their jogging bottoms/shorts, T shirt, sweatshirt and trainers. Make sure they bring a water bottle too!
- ▶ Next Friday is the first of our donation days for our PTA Summer Evening. If you can, please donate a bottle and the children can come to school in multi coloured outfits. (Donations are voluntary and children can dress up either way)
- ▶ As you know, our PTA events cannot take place without the support of our parents, teachers and friends. Each class has been assigned a stall to look after for the evening. We are asking you to sign up for a 30 minute slot - this way, everyone can enjoy the evening too. There are some stalls which have not been assigned a class - please decide which would be best for you. We are using a different approach this time and would like you to offer your help online. Please go to: <https://etchells.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> and select the stall and time slot for which you can offer your help. The system is NOT yet live however - we will send you a text early next week to let you know when offering your time online can be done.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

