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Co-Production Charter

The Local Authority have been working with parents, professionals and young people to think about how the provision for children with SEND (Special Educational Needs/Disabilities) can be improved. All involved wanted a more productive and pro-active approach. The concept of Co-production was developed and defined as:

Co-production happens when all voices are actively listened to from the start of the planning process. This involves a mutual respect for each other's views, with an open and honest relationship that is transparent and continually evolving to achieve meaningful and positive outcomes.

In short, this means that families, children, young people and health, care and education colleagues will all work in partnership following these principles:

- Be open and honest
- Actively listen
- Value the lived experience
- Do what matters
- Be accountable and responsive
- Work together
- Be respectful

If you would like more information about this way of working, please click [HERE](#) for the easy to read leaflet.

Food Bank Vouchers

We have been asked by the Local Authority and Stockport Food Banks to identify any families who may benefit from food bank vouchers over the Christmas break. If you currently claim Free School Meals this does not apply to you. All FSM families will be sent vouchers directly, as was the case over the half term holiday. (If you didn't receive them, please let us know)

If you anticipate financial difficulties, yet don't qualify for FSM, please email me confidentially at:
headteacher@etchells.stockport.sch.uk
 and I will ensure you receive the vouchers.

Attendance

A reminder that all requests for absence should be made by completing the [Leave of Absence Form](#) which can be found on the school website. This needs to be emailed to myself or sent in to the school office.

Please note that holidays of any kind are not authorised and may result in a Local Authority fine. Children may only be at home due to COVID-19 if they or a family member have tested positive or if they have been identified as a close contact. Many thanks for the excellent communication we have had from many of you regarding this.

Term dates, INSETs and school holidays can be found on the school website calendar.



Safeguarding Training

Safeguarding Children in Stockport

Every two years, the whole of the Etchells workforce takes part in the Basic Child Protection Awareness training. Part B of this was undertaken remotely yesterday afternoon. It is vital that all our staff have an excellent understanding of safeguarding, as well all have a role to play. The Designated Lead Safeguarding Officers in school include myself, Mrs Mallinson, Mrs Kind and Mr Cope.

We are also an Operation Encompass School. The project, Operation Encompass, has been designed to provide early reporting to schools of any domestic abuse incidents that occur outside of school but which might have an impact on a child attending school the following day. This information will be shared on school days during the school term and we will be able to support the child if needed. More information about Operation Encompass can be found on our website [here](https://www.operationencompass.org), or by following the direct link below:

<https://www.operationencompass.org>

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For further information, please come and see us.

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Mission Christmas....



MANY THANKS for the all the Christmas presents donated so far to the Mission Christmas appeal. Look at what has been collected so far!! There is still time to donate if you would like to.

Remember, the present should be unwrapped. You may want to visit the website for ideas using the following link:

<https://cashforkids.org.uk/mission>



**Final collection date:
Friday 11th December**

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows
and the Etchells staff

