

# SCHOOL NEWS

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## Head Girl and Boy



I am delighted to announce that Pixie and Ethan are the Head Girl and Boy for the autumn term. They were elected after making outstanding speeches and presentations. We had so many nominees and the Year 6 teachers were amazed with the high standard, level of interest and confidence of all those who stood for the positions. I'm sure Pixie and Ethan will do a fantastic job of being ambassadors for our school and carrying out their important duties.

## New Appointments

This week we appointed Miss Worth into the role of Mid Day Assistant and we look forward to her joining the team in a couple of weeks.

I am also pleased to announce Heather McMahon will take up the parent governor position on our School Governing Board this term.

## Manchester City Feedback

Year 6 pupils, Harley, Pixie, Zakariya, Ayah and Noah, accompanied by Miss Pennill, were VIP guests at the Etihad stadium this week. After being picked up in their dedicated City minibus, the group spent the afternoon giving feedback in a workshop reflecting on their experiences of the Premier League Primary Stars programme which Etchells has been involved with for a few years now. As a surprise, they received a guided tour and got to meet first team players Cole Palmer and Manuel Akanji. They represented our school brilliantly and made us very proud.



## Christmas Cards

The children have completed their annual Christmas card designs which have been brought home today. This year they are not providing proof examples of the cards - you will have to use your imagination looking at their designs! If you wish to make an order please return the artwork and order form by Wednesday next week.





Thank you to everyone who came to our Macmillan Coffee morning today. It was lovely to have friends and families back in the

school hall enjoying a drink and a treat. Thanks also to those who made donations at the school gate - it really does make a difference. Final thanks to the group of volunteers for their energetic balloon blowing and helping in the hall. We will let you know how much we raised next week.

### Y3 Trip to Tatton Hall

Year 3 had a fantastic trip to Tatton Hall last week to enhance their history learning. They created a human timeline, learnt about how prehistoric man were first hunter-gatherers then became farmers, explored shelters and how these shelters evolved from caves to simple structures and wattle and daub. They looked at how fire was made and how it changed the life of early man. It was all hands on, practical learning and certainly very memorable!



Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff



## PTA Dates

The PTA held their AGM this week and presented the annual chair's report and the finance report for last year. These will be available on the school website for you to read once they have been finalised.

We then spent some time finalising key dates for this term - we are really pleased to get our PTA events back on the calendar. Please make a note of them in your diaries:

- \* Thurs 20th October: Spooky Disco (letter coming home soon)
- \* Fri 4th November: wear non-uniform for a pound coin (this goes towards cash prizes for the Christmas Fair raffle and other prizes)
- \* Fri 25th November: wear silly socks and crazy hair and bring in some chocolate
- \* Fri 2nd December: wear Christmas clothes and accessories for a bottle for the tombola
- \* Fri 2nd December, 5-7pm: Christmas Fair

We really appreciate all your support and look forward to seeing you at the Spooky Disco and the Christmas Fair.

### Sponsored Events

Many thanks for everyone who has supported our class sponsored events this month. The money raised really does help with one off resources for the classroom, for example, baking ingredients, prizes, unusual craft items and objects/items to support the curriculum such as seeds and compost. These things help bring the curriculum to life and are very much appreciated.

