

# SCHOOL NEWS

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## End of Year Reports

Today your child will bring home their end of year report. After a shortened version last year, we have returned to our usual format and you will find information regarding your child's attainment, progress and effort in English and Maths, as well as their personal targets. You can also see how well they are doing in the wider curriculum subjects, as well as detail about attitudes, social skills and attendance. This year we have included a section relating to home learning. We wanted to acknowledge all those who worked so hard during the lockdown periods and also, where children didn't engage, to let you know that there may now be gaps in their learning.

The back page of the report tells you about how your child learns linked to our core values of :

**enjoyment ~ challenge ~ creativity**

**resilience ~ independence ~ aspiration**

I have read every child's report and am delighted with how personal and detailed they are. The achievements of our pupils this year is just amazing and I'm very proud of them all.

## Eid

Next week will see the celebration of Eid. As ever, we are happy to authorise one day's absence for this occasion. We must, however, be notified in advance that your child will be absent for this reason.

Please inform us by emailing:

[eid@etchells.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:eid@etchells.stockport.sch.uk)

You need to give the name and class for each of your children. Any child who is absent without giving a reason will receive a phone call from school.

## Your Opinions Matter



I would like gain some feedback around the home learning and in-school critical worker/vulnerable child provision which has taken place this year. If you can comment, please complete the short survey in the parent area of the school website. There is also opportunity at the end to make comments about any other aspects of school life. Previous responses to these surveys have been very helpful and helps us with our planning for the future. Thanks in advance.

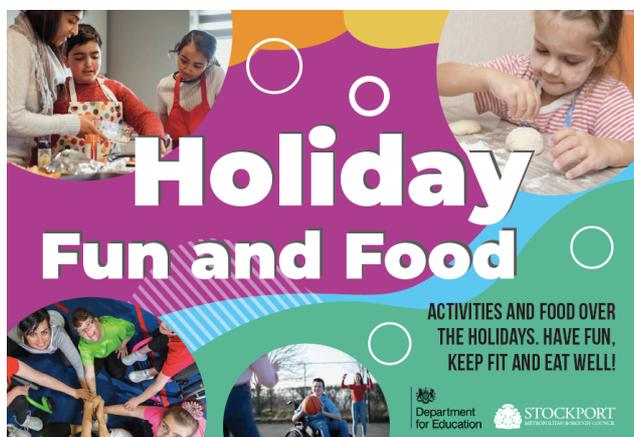
## Hot Dinners

I am pleased to say that we will be able to offer hot school dinners to Years 5 and 6 once again in September. If you would like your child to have a hot dinner after the summer, please phone the school office to inform us. Please be mindful that one week's advanced notice is required to change between hot dinners and packed lunches.



## Local Authority Letter for Parents

I am sending separately by email a letter from Tim Bowman, Director of Education, and Jennifer Connolly, Director of Public Health. It details plans the LA have put in place for the remainder of term, following the relaxation of rules on the 19th July. It also highlights the prevalence of COVID in Stockport at the current time - the highest it has ever been. Please read the letter for more information and advice.



The Local Authority are providing a free summer activity programme for children in receipt of Free School Meals. A summer filled with fun activities and great food is on offer. This is part of the governments' Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Stockport. For more information, please see the attached flyer or follow this [link](#).

Free places available for Free School Meals children and others who would benefit. Please email me if you are interested. (flyer attached)

## Swimming and Holiday Courses



Swimming is part of the PE National Curriculum for Key Stage 2 children. The ability to swim has been significantly affected as a result of the

pandemic; children have to be able to swim 25 metres, unaided, by the time they leave primary school. A significant number of our pupils are unable to do this. In the Autumn we are therefore going to focus on Year 4 and 5 with swimming lessons. Year 5 will go throughout the Autumn term and for the first half of the spring term, followed by Year 4 for the rest of the year. If you get the opportunity to take your child swimming in order to build their confidence, skill and stamina, please do!

Holiday courses of lessons are being held over the summer at Cheadle, Hazel Grove, Romiley and Grand Central baths. The offer includes 'Swim Tots' from 3 years plus to 'Stroke Improvement' for those who can already swim ten metres. More information can be found on the attached Word document and courses can be booked [here](#).



## LITTLE FLYERS BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

If you would like to book places in our new Breakfast and After School Club for September, please contact Clare Harding, the provision leader, by phone or email:

[Littleflyers12@gmail.com](mailto:Littleflyers12@gmail.com)  
077420 58808

A reminder that we break up for the summer on Tuesday 27th July at 2.30pm. Please ensure your child can be picked up promptly.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

