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## **Eid Mubarak!**



We would like to wish all our families celebrating Eid today a very happy celebration and wonderful family time. If you haven't already done so, please send a letter in on Monday to explain today's absence to ensure it is authorised.

#### **Homework Sheets**

Homework sheets for the last half term of the year will be sent home on Monday. Please look out for them in your child's bag. Year 6 will continue to receive weekly homework tasks in order to give them some preparation for High School.

#### Masterchef Winner 2018!

The Year 5 Masterchef finalists have worked very hard producing their four dishes for the final judgement. The difficult decision was left to Head Chef, Liam Roberts, and we didn't envy him! The award was given to Warwick who won with a very special South African Dish. Congratulations to Warwick and well done to all the children who took part.



#### Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council meeting is being held next week on Thursday 21st June at 4.45pm. Please could you forward any questions to your class rep. If you are unsure who your rep is you can find the contact details on the Parent Council Newsletters on the website:

http://www.etchells.stockport.sch.uk/page/parents/4733

#### Goodbye!!

It's that time of year when we often have to say 'Goodbye' to members of staff who are moving on. This year we will be very sadly waving off Mrs Gale who is leaving the teaching profession to pursue a new venture. Mrs Gale has been a highly valued member of staff for 13 years at Etchells and she has taught children from Year 5 to Reception. She has been a passionate Geography leader and has been part of the Outdoor Learning Team who have so successfully extended our curriculum to the outdoors. We will miss her smiles and infectious enthusiasm but wish her every success for the future.

I am delighted that Miss Gilham, who currently teaches in Nursery, will be taking up the full time position in Reception to replace Mrs Gale. As she is already part of the EYFS team, I know she will be a huge asset to Reception. Miss Laurie and Mrs Abushal will continue to do a fantastic job in Nursery.



#### Parents' Evening for new Nursery and Reception Parents

Next Thursday (21st June) we will be holding information evenings for parents of children starting in Nursery or Reception this coming September:

Nursery Parents: 6pm

Reception Parents: 7pm

We encourage you to attend without children in order to allow you to give your utmost attention to the information being given. The children will have several opportunities to visit the setting and meet the teachers in the coming weeks. Both meetings will start promptly in the hall. Please sign in on one of the tables and take your information pack.

We will be selling school uniform on the night. Please note we only take cash or cheques as payment.

#### **PTA Reminders**



A letter was emailed earlier this week to parents outlining a very easy way to volunteer your help for the fair. The fair can only be a success if we have offers of help to support the very

dedicated PTA members. Please follow the link below to volunteer some time:

www.volunteersignup.org/F37Q4

Next Friday we are inviting children to come to school with mad hair in exchange for a voluntary donation of a bag of sweets or chocolate.

This week we had a meeting to finalise the drawings and design for the new library which the PTA are fundraising for. The Summer Fair will be the final opportunity to raise money for this project and so we thank you in advance for all your contributions and time.



### **Bottle Tops**

We have had a tremendous response to the plastic bottle top collection and are nearing our goal! If you have been saving tops, please send them in so we can add them to the collection.

#### Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

