#### **Etchells Primary School**

#### Friday, 4 October 2019

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# Macmillan Coffee Morning 2019

What a fantastic turn out we had last week at our annual Macmillan Coffee morning! The hall was packed with classes and parents, creating a fantastic atmosphere. In the short space of under 2 hours a team of staff and parents managed to sliced cakes; serve over 400 cups of squash and numerous cups of hot drinks. We raised a generous £480 which is £20 more than last year. We would like to say a very big thank you to Mr and Mrs Hulston, Mrs Cotterill, Mrs Lund and Mrs Rumney for helping organise and run the event.



MANCHESTER HARRIERS & ATHLETICS CLUB Established 1886 • Track and Field • Road Running • Cross Country

# **Cross Country**

A letter has gone home this week inviting any KS2 children interested to attend Wilf Richards Memorial Primary School Cross- Country event at Wythenshawe Park. This event is run and organised by Manchester Harriers and Athletics Club.

The event is this Saturday, it starts at 10.00 a.m and Mr Cope will be there as our school team manager. It would be great if we can have a strong bunch of eager runners to represent our school. Mr Cope will be there to encourage our athletes. Certificates will be awarded to the first 20 children completing the run for each age group.



## **Spooky Disco**

Look out for a letter coming home tonight for the annual PTA Spooky Disco. It will take place, in the school hall, on Thursday 17th October. Each Key Phase has a dedicated time slot. We look forward to seeing all your creative costumes!



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We are asking if you would kindly consider sending a donation in next week for our Harvest Festival. Donations to be brought into school by Wednesday 9th October. This year we are supporting The Wellspring Charity. It is a worthy charity, one of the roles it plays is in running a food service, serving nearly 150 meals each day to homeless and disadvantaged people within our local area. We would welcome any of the following tinned items: meats, soups, potatoes, fruit, rice pudding, custard and any packets of biscuits, coffee, tea bags. They also desperately need toiletries such as shampoo and conditioner, shower gels or liquid soap, shaving foam, roll on deodorants (but no spray cans). The children will place their gifts at the front of the hall as they walk into Wednesday Assembly so that we may build up the donations.

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A representative from The Wellspring will come and talk to the children and explain how their donations will make a difference to the lives of others. Year 5 children who are away on a residential to Castleton can bring their donations in on Monday.

Thank you in advance for your support.

### National Mental Health Day Hello Yellow!

The World Health Organisation recognises World Mental Health Day every year on 10th October. This year the charity YoungMinds is calling on schools across the country to take part in "HelloYellow."

During the day classes will be looking at suitable self reflection supported activities to understand mental health better and help build up resilience to prevent mental health issues from developing.

Children are invited to come to school wearing a yellow item to show their support for this charity.

## Year 5 Castleton Residential

We would like to wish our Year 5 well on their first school residential to Losehill Hall in Castleton, next Tuesday and Wednesday. They have an action packed schedule for two days. I know the staff are all



eager, bags packed and ready to go! Residentials are a fabulous experience and really help build children's self esteem and confidence levels. Residentials are a great way to explore learning in an outdoor

environment.

## **Library Books**

We are very proud of our beautiful new library, unfortunately there have been an increased number of damaged or lost books. We want to encourage the children to be independent in looking after school property and we are keen to keep the library well stocked with a diverse variety of books. If books are returned in a damaged state or lost there will be a charge of £5 to go towards replacing the stock

Kind regards, Jo Mallinson and the Etchells staff