

SCHOOL NEWS

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Ofsted Outcome:



We are a **GOOD** school with **OUTSTANDING** Early Years and Leadership and Management.

Yesterday we emailed all parents a copy of the inspection report and it is now available to download from the school website.

We are absolutely delighted with the outcome of the inspection and the recognition of all the hard work, dedication and commitment from everyone involved with Etchells which has helped us achieve such a fantastic result in less than two years.

As with all Ofsted inspections, areas for development have to be identified and we are pleased that our target areas are already being focussed on in our new School Development Plan.

My thanks to the staff throughout school for their amazing hard work and the wonderful support we have received from parents.

Class Dojo

The staff met last week to review the behaviour policy and decided the new levels to achieve the star badge awards. Based on the dojos awarded to date the thresholds are as follows:

Bronze: 100 dojos

Silver: 200 dojos

Gold: 300 dojos

Wow: 350 dojos

I look forward to presenting the first bronze badges before too long in assembly.



Book Fair

The book fair will be open after school today, Monday and Tuesday from 3.15 - 3.45pm. This is a great opportunity to buy quality new titles as well as raise funds for school to buy new books for the class libraries.



PTA AGM

Many thanks to those who attended the PTA AGM on Monday evening. It was very pleasing to review the year and evaluate all that had been achieved. Not only have the PTA raised a fantastic amount of money for school, they have also worked tirelessly to raise the community spirit in school and put on memorable events where families, staff and friends have come together.

The minutes of the AGM have been attached to this newsletter.

PTA Donation Days

The donation days in the run up to the fair are really important in making it such a successful event. The generosity of parents over these days is fantastic and very much appreciated. We would like to give you as much notice as we can of what is coming up. Please see the dates below:

Donation days are voluntary		
Date	Theme	Donation
Friday 21st October	Non-uniform	£1
Friday 4th November	Mad Hair or Hats	Jar of wrapped sweets
Friday 18th November	Children in Need (wear something spotty with uniform. All donations for this charity)	
Friday 25th November	Silly socks	Chocolates/sweets
Week beginning 28th November - all week. Teddy collection - please donate a teddy and leave in the collection bin in reception		
Friday 9th December	Non-uniform	Bottles

If your child attends Nursery from Monday to Wednesday then they will be able to have their donation day on the Wednesday instead of the Friday.

☀ Please can we remind parents that all school uniform must be NAMED! We have had some children go home with the wrong items as they were not named. You may be interested in using stick-on name tapes - they literally stick on everything: clothing, water bottles, shoes, bags!

<https://www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=26274>

☀ It appears that football games have started once again on the playground before school. Due to the numbers of parents and children waiting in the playground to come into school, football is NOT allowed. Balls must be held or kept in a bag and played with on the ball court later in the day.

☀ Due to the success of the holiday club run by Kidzone (our breakfast and after school club provider) during the summer holiday, I am pleased to inform you that the club will run on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th October during the half term. The timings of the day are 8.30am until 3.30pm and the charge is £15. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for further information and booking details.

Finally, I would like to thank parents for all the wonderful messages and congratulations regarding our Ofsted report.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and
the Etchells staff

