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WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
2 MARCH 2023

Our theme for World Book Day is to share a book that 'represents you'.

For World Book Day we are celebrating the magic and power of children's books: the power of feeling represented and seeing ourselves and each other in the books we read.

This could be:

- A book with a character you can relate to
- A book with a character you aspire to be like
- A story that reflects your life
- A story written in a language you hear or speak at home
- A story with a character from a country of your heritage

Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or as a character that represents them, but we ask that children do not dress up as film and cartoon characters.

KS2 Author Visit - Dan Worsley

Dan is a children's author and performance storyteller. He will be visiting school on World Book Day to deliver a whole-school assembly and writing workshops with our KS2 classes.

Dan will have copies of all six of his books (£5 each/cash only) available for purchase after school, in the library, on 2nd March. If any children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 would like to purchase a copy on the day, he will be happy to sign and personalise the children's books.

More details about Dan and his books can be found on his website: danworsley.com or you can find him on Twitter @dan_worsley



Year 5 in Space!!

Following on from their Earth and Space topic in Science, Year 5 were very excited to welcome the Wonderdome into school today. Once inside, the children learnt lots of interesting facts about the stars, our Solar System, the size of each of the planets in comparison to the Sun, the International Space Station and what the future of Space may look like. The children also had the opportunity to ask questions, which they have then followed up on and researched more this afternoon. We love to bring the curriculum alive at Etchells!



Parents' Evening Booking

The booking system for Parents' Evening became live today. Please log in through the school website Parents' Area to book your appointment. Please remember that ALL appointments will be face to face in school. We ask that children are not brought to school for the appointments - they can not be left in the corridor or library area. Please respect this and make alternative arrangements. Workbooks will be sent home the weekend before so you can look at your child's work with them. If you have a SEND meeting with the class teacher and Mrs Kind, please do not book an additional Parents Evening slot. This extended consultation replaces your Parents Evening.



Dates and Thanks



We all had a lovely day on Tuesday wearing 'what we love'!. Many thanks for the donations which raised a fantastic £255; this will be put towards future events as well

as adding to our fundraising project to redevelop the Nursery outdoor area.

- ▶ Wednesday 1st March: the PTA are organising a Bake Sale to raise money for the earthquake survivors in Turkey and Syria. All monies raised will go straight to the charity. If you can donate any cakes or biscuits, please bring to school in the morning and take to the classroom. The sale will take place in the playground after school. Please bring small change if you would like to buy.
- ▶ Friday 17th March: Family Games Night with Bingo and Pizza. A letter is attached with information and online booking details.

Vacancies



All adverts for our current vacancies are now live and can be easily accessed through the 'Vacancies' page on our school website: <https://www.etchells.stockport.sch.uk/page/vacancies/133765>

In summary, we are looking for:

2 x Teaching Assistants: one to work in Key Stage 1, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and another to work in KS2, 5 days a week. This role can be combined with the Mid Day Assistant role.

Mid-Day Assistants

We have 2 Mid-Day Assistant vacancies, one for 3 days a week and another for 5 days. These roles could be done alongside either the Cleaning or Teaching Assistant role.

Cleaners

We are currently looking to create a new team of cleaners. The hours are as follows: Mon - Thurs, 3pm - 5.30pm; Friday, 2.30pm - 5pm.

Please pass on to anyone you know who may be interested. The links can also be found on our social media pages.

A letter has been emailed regarding the next teacher strike on the 28th February.

Have a lovely half term.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

