



# SCHOOL NEWS

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## New Uniform!

Sweatshirts with our new logo on have now arrived in some sizes! We are really pleased to be able to now roll these out. It is lovely to have our log circle, school entrance and our favourite oak tree on the jumper, as well as the bee, which of course reminds us of our 'Bee Rules' and how we all like to 'be' and conduct ourselves at Etchells. These are now available to buy at the school office but jumpers with our old logo on are perfectly fine for as long they can last for!



## PE T-Shirt

We will be sending a letter home very shortly inviting you to order a new PE T-shirt for your child. This will be white with a version of the new logo on. We really want to smarten up our PE uniform and would also like the children to wear these to sporting fixtures and events out of school. With the exception of Y6, we are asking that all children purchase a T shirt for PE. As a reminder, children can wear black leggings/ joggers on PE days and their school sweatshirt - not a hoody top or other sweatshirt.



## WORLD BOOK DAY

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We had a wonderful World Book Day yesterday with so many creative ideas of books representing ourselves. This was the starting point of some fascinating conversations with the

children about books. We really enjoyed our visit from author, Dan Worsley, who started the day with a fun filled assembly and then workshops in KS2.



Year 3



Year 2



Nursery

Thank you....for the bake sale contributions and purchases to help support the earthquake charities 🙏



## Parents' Evening

You will have received your child's mid-term report today. Please look at this carefully and bring with you to your parent consultation to discuss with the teacher. Your child will also be bringing their English, Maths and Foundation (all other subjects) books home today to share with you over the weekend. In the front of the English and Maths books you will see a copy of the Age Related Expectations for the Year group and what has been achieved so far.

Please ensure all books are returned on **MONDAY** so the children can continue their work in them. We hope you find this opportunity to look at the work together helpful.

## D is for...Dumper truck!!

Before half term, the letter of the week for Nursery was **D**. The Nursery staff, in true creative fashion, arranged for one of



our parents to pay the children a visit...in their dumper truck! I don't think they'll forget the letter 'D' anytime soon!

## Language of the Half Term

Due to the fact we have around 25 languages here at Etchells, we will be identifying a different language every half term. This half term we will be focussing on Cantonese. See the attachment for more details.



## Hall Upgrade

We are really pleased that we have now completed all the upgrade works to the hall. This has been taking place over the last couple of years. We have had the ceiling lowered with new lighting which has made a huge impact on the quality of the acoustics. The PTA funded a new sound system which has been fantastic for our recent performances. Last autumn, after a few years of saving our capital project funding, we were able to finally replace the old wooden windows and doors. The final step took place over February half term when a full redecoration took place. You can see how it looked this morning during our World Book Day assembly.



This week we said goodbye to Teaching Assistants, Mrs Rae and Mrs Gunn, who are moving on to new roles. We wish them every success and will miss them at Etchells. We have appointed Mrs Lee who has worked with us previously and will be working with the Year 5 team, and Mrs Huertas, who will be working in Year 1. We look forward to welcoming them to Etchells after the Easter holiday.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

