

# SCHOOL NEWS

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## Welcome Back!!

What a fantastic start everybody has made to the new school year. Our Nursery and Reception children have settled into the school routine brilliantly and all pupils have made a very successful transition into their new classes. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new families to the school including the twelve or more that have joined us in the older classes too. We hope your time here with us is happy and successful.

The School News is emailed to parents every Friday and can be picked up from the school website. You can also read it in the hall window on your way to the playground. It contains really important information and dates about upcoming events in school, as well as celebrating good news and achievements.

You can also keep up to date with current news and events happening in school by following us

on Twitter: [@EtchellsPS](https://twitter.com/EtchellsPS)



## Head Boy and Girl

In assembly on Monday this week, I was able to present the new Head Boy and Girl with their red sweatshirts. The children take part in a rigorous selection process which involves preparing and presenting a speech to their peers and then undergoing an election with pupils and staff. I am delighted to announce that Emilia and Ethan have been appointed for the autumn term.



## Nut Free Zone

At the end of last year we made our school a NUT FREE ZONE due to the very severe allergies some of our children have. The staff were trained to use an epi-pen in case of a severe reaction in school but we aim to avoid this in the first place. Please do not send in any foods containing nuts for packed lunches, playtime snacks or cooking ingredients (including homework tasks). Severe nut allergies can be triggered by 'air born' traces of nuts - the children do not even have to eat them to be affected. Can I also remind parents that from Monday to Thursday a healthy snack should be sent in and on Friday it can be a 'treat'. Sweets must not be sent in at any time for a snack. Children in Early Years and KS1 continue to receive free fruit for their playtime snacks.



## Save The Dates!!

### \* Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 29th September



Come and join us from 9.30 - 11am. If you can donate cakes they would be greatly appreciated. Please bring to the hall before drop off in the morning.

### \* Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 11th/Thursday 12th October

### \* PTA Spooky Disco

Wednesday 18th October

Letters will be coming home regarding tickets for this event soon.

**Please refer to the school website calendar for all the key dates for this academic year.**

## PTA Annual General Meeting

This meeting is taking place on Monday 2nd October at 8pm in the Hallmark Hotel. We take the opportunity to thank our outgoing PTA and get the final figures of monies raised and hear how they have been spent. We also elect a new committee and recruit new helpers - it is a really good time to get involved as everybody will be new! If you don't want to be on the committee but are able to be involved with the planning of events please come along.

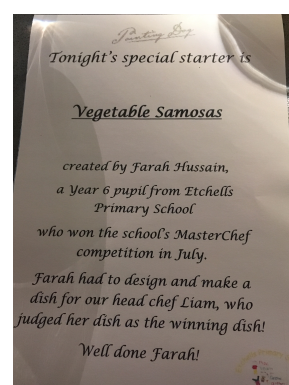
Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows  
and the Etchells staff

## Masterchef Farah



Congratulations to Farah in 6L who won the school Masterchef cooking competition last year. The winner was chosen by the head chef of the Pointing Dog and the prize was the inclusion of the dish on the menu. Look at the photos to see how delicious the starter looks!!



## Meet the Kingsway Headteacher

On Tuesday next week, Mrs Lowe (Kingsway Headteacher) and Ms Hadfield (Y6/7 transition lead) will be in school to talk to our Y6 children. They will also be around at the end of school to talk to any parents who may have any questions to ask. They will be with Mr Malone and Miss Le Couteur outside the Y6 classroom door - if you want to ask anything about school organisation, the subway, the new arrangement of having the pupils based on one site, please use this opportunity to come and have an informal chat.

## Flu Immunisations

Next Wednesday, letters about the flu immunisation will be coming home to children in Reception up to Year 4. You need to opt in or out of this procedure. Please return your form by Monday 25th September.

