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Parent Governor Election



We had two nominations returned for the position of parent governor.

Therefore we will be holding a ballot in order for parents to choose who

will go forward to be representative of the parent body.

Voting forms have been sent home today and need to be returned to school by Monday 20th November, 12 noon. There is one voting form for each parent. Please ensure every form is returned in the envelopes provided.

Christmas Lunch

We will be holding our school Christmas lunch on Thursday 14th December. A letter will be coming home on Monday to all children, from Reception to Year 6, who currently have sandwiches for lunch. Please return your slip and cash payment to school by next Thursday (16th November) if you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner on this day.

Thank you to all the parents who came for our school meal taster session. It was very well attended and we had lots of positive feedback with some parents switching to school meals immediately. We will be holding a future tasting event when we change the menu for Spring/Summer 2018.

Children in Need

We will be fundraising for Children in Need next Friday. Children are invited to come to school in their school uniform but wearing any Children in Need accessory of their choice - it could just be something spotty.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of your choice and would suggest anything upward of 50p. The charity have also launched the "Pudsey's Round Pound Countdown". If you have got any old pound coins lying around, as the majority of shops no longer accept them, you can use them to donate to Children in Need.



Hedge Cutting

We have had several parents point out the overgrown hedge which has been protruding into the path round the side of the car park. I am pleased to say our gardener has now cut back the branches and the walkway is clear and safe once again. We are anticipating the lighting works will be finished at the end of next week to ensure the path is fully illuminated now the mornings and evenings are darker.



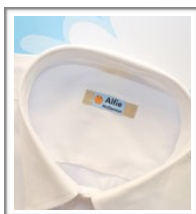
Naming School Uniform

We continue to collect huge amounts of lost property in school. Where clothing and footwear are named, we are able to return the items immediately. However, we are left with piles of clothes which we can't do anything with. When the children are changing in their classrooms for PE it also causes problems when clothes are not named and get mixed up.



Please name all items - a Sharpie pen is great for writing on labels or you can order stick on name tapes from: www.mynametags.com

They really do stick on everything, last a long time and can be applied instantly.



Don't forget you can keep up with all our news and events by following our Twitter feed:

@EtchellsPS

Please note however, that as with Class Dojo, we will not answer questions or messages.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows
and the Etchells staff



Prospective Parents' Morning

Next Thursday, at 9.30am, we will be holding an open morning for parents of children who will be starting Nursery or Reception in September 2018. If you know of anyone who maybe considering Etchells for their child and doesn't know the school, please let them know that they are welcome to attend. The session will last approximately one hour and will start in the hall with myself and Mrs Revill the Early Years leader. There will then be an opportunity to walk through school and to visit the Nursery and Reception classrooms. There is no need to book a place, parents can just turn up on the day.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week we will be recognising the National Anti-Bullying week. The theme this year is: "All Different, All Equal". The aim is to promote diversity and difference in schools and encourage all our children to accept everyone for who they are. The children will encounter a range of activities through the week to explore this theme and our Year 6 will be visited by pupils from Kingsway. We will also be using this opportunity to review our Bullying Policy to help parents have a greater awareness of how bullying is dealt with in school. Watch this space for more information regarding this.

All Different

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