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Book Mania!!

'Book Mania' has been launched in Key Stage 2! Years 3 and 4 have chosen their set of books and Years 5 and 6 have a different set. The classes will be reading the books and enjoying them in the coming weeks. The project will end up with votes being cast and the winning books announced. See the shortlisted books below and ask your children about them!



Parent Council Meeting



The Parent Council is due to meet **next Thursday, 4.45pm** on

22nd March. Please forward any comments or queries to your class rep. If you're not sure who this is, please refer to the Parent Council Newsletter January 2018 on the school website:

<http://www.etchells.stockport.sch.uk/page/parents/4733>

Sport Relief 2018

Next week we will be running a number of events to mark Sport Relief and to raise some money for the charity. Earlier this week a letter was sent home outlining all the activities taking place. We have the Tom Daley Daily Challenge which involves hula hoops, skipping, boogieing and football. We'll also have the Etchells' Indoor Cycling Challenge running throughout the week - the bikes and bunting are set up ready in the school entrance. Who can donate 20p to challenge a teacher in a 2 minute sprint? If you're really feeling up for it come and join us in the XO ciZe parent and Child Challenge on Thursday. On Friday, we are inviting the children to wear their sports kits to school and they will participate in a sponsored mile. Please use the sponsor sheet on the back of the letter to gather sponsors and pledges to support these events. Monies raised should be sent into school before we break up for Easter. A copy of the letter and sponsor sheet is attached to this newsletter.



Online Games

We are aware that more and more of our pupils are playing online games through consoles such as Xbox and Playstation. A current favourite is Fortnite.

The game is rated a 12 and so parents need to be fully aware of why this rating has been applied. The game, amongst many others, allow the children to communicate with their friends and strangers.

Parents need to ensure that the settings on the console allow only chosen friends to join in with games and say NO to allowing strangers. Once this setting is in place, it will apply to all games in the future. Please take some time to ensure the settings on any consoles are set with the highest security.

PTA Fish and Chip Bingo

There are a handful of tickets left for the Family Fish and Chip Bingo night taking place next Friday. If you would like tickets please contact the PTA before the end of school on Monday. We will be holding an additional bingo round to raise money for Sport Relief so please bring some extra change.



The PTA are currently raising funds for our new KS2 library which we are hoping to create in the entrance next to the hall.

The current library will be turned into a KS1 area, allowing room for a greater selection of books. We will display the proposed plans by the hall door on the night of the Bingo evening so you can see what we are working hard to raise funds for.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows
and the Etchells staff

An Exciting Curriculum!!

This week we have had a visitor and made visits to enhance our curriculum and bring learning to life for the children.

Nursery and Reception thoroughly enjoyed a trip to The Griffin to make their own pizzas. We are grateful to them for hosting us and allowing us to use their kitchen and facilities.



As part of National Science Week, Year 6 had a visit from Dr Emma Nichols who came over from Manchester University to inspire the children with the world of science.

They were completely enthused by what she had to say about Science at the University, famous scientists, not to mention the piece of meteorite that got passed round!

