

SCHOOL NEWS

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End of Year Reports

Today your child will be bringing home their End of Year Report. Year 2 and Year 6 will contain information regarding the outcomes of the SATs assessments as well as information comparing the performance of our school to others nationally. Year 1 parents will be notified whether their child met the expected standard in the phonics screening.

The reports inform all year groups about the progress made from either the end of Reception or the end of KS1 and you will find out whether your child has met/ not met/ exceeded the end of year expectations for their year group.

You will also find that the teacher comment on the back page is much more focussed around the school's Core Values rather than recapping on curriculum coverage. We hope this gives parents a better picture of their children as learners, their attitudes and independence. Our Core Values are:

- ★ enjoyment
- ★ creativity
- ★ resilience
- ★ independence
- ★ challenge
- ★ aspiration

We have also sent home the End of Year Questionnaire. We would be grateful if you could return this to school before the end of term. Your views matter to us and contribute to our School Development Plan for 2018-19.

Celebration Open Evening

We would like to invite all families to come to our Open Evening which is being held next Wednesday, 18th July, from 5pm - 7pm. This is a chance to look at your child's workbooks and speak to the teacher about the report should you choose to. Please note that individual appointments are not being made for the evening, it is very much an informal chat. Should you have a pressing, confidential concern please see the class teacher to arrange an alternative time.

Please use the evening to also meet your child's class teacher for September and visit their new classroom.

The book fair and uniform stall will also be open - see information later in this newsletter.

We are hoping that Mrs Lowe, Headteacher at The Kingsway, will be joining us and will be available to parents in our entrance area. Please use this opportunity to ask any questions about the current provision, changes which have taken place and to address any concerns you might have. Year 5 have to submit their High School choices by the end of October, so this is an ideal opportunity to ask questions if you have any.



A message from the PTA:

The PTA Committee would like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved in the summer fair; from volunteers, to staff and pupils. Your help was so much appreciated and meant all stalls went ahead on the night. We hope you all enjoyed yourselves and any feedback to help make future events even better is welcome.

Thanks

Chris, Andrea, Kerry & Denise (PTA committee).



Match Funding

Do you work for a company that offers match funding for charities? If so, you could use this opportunity to help the PTA raise even more funds! Employers such as the main banks and mobile phone companies often offer to match funds raised at certain events during the year which can make a considerable difference. We would be grateful if you could check this and let the PTA know!

School Uniform Sales

School uniform will be available to buy at the Celebration Open Evening between 5pm and 7pm. It will also be possible to buy uniform during the INSET day on Monday 4th September between 9am and 12 noon. It will not be possible to buy uniform during the rest of the first week back so please ensure you have everything required in time.

Photo Feedback

Thank you to all parents who have provided feedback regarding the class photos. We will be discussing your comments with the Parent Council in the early Autumn.



Kingsway Spelling Bee

We are very proud of Yusaf and Hannah in Year 6 who represented Etchells at the inter-school Spelling Bee held by The Kingsway this week. They did an incredible job coming a very close second - spelling under pressure isn't easy and being fastest on the buzzer is another skill entirely!!



The book fair will be open on Monday and Tuesday next week from 3.15pm - 4pm and also during our Celebration Open Evening on

Wednesday. Please come along with your children - a book makes an excellent treat for a good report and an end of year reward! Buying books at the book fair also raises money for us to purchase books for our classrooms and library.

Choir Performance

The choir will be performing for Parents on Tuesday 24th July at 3.45pm, in the school hall. No need for tickets - just turn up!

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

