



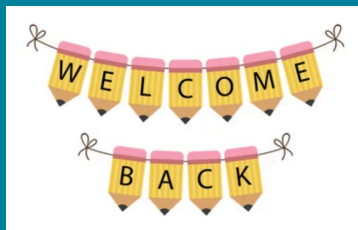
# SCHOOL NEWS

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## Welcome back

Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to new parents who are joining us here at Etchells, I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break. We have had a fantastic first week at school with the children settling into their new classes. The behaviour has been excellent in the classroom, playground and in assembly. It is as if the children have never been away.

As well as welcoming the children this week, we also welcomed two new members of staff. Mr H Johnson and Miss Kenney, who have both joined us as SEN teaching assistants.



## Parent Governor

You should have received an email today containing a letter for a Parent Governor Election. The role of parent governor is vital in the work that our Governors complete. They are able to represent the parents of the school and contribute to the strategic management of the school. If you are interested in the role, then please complete the form and send it back into school by **17th September**. If you have any questions in the meantime, do not hesitate to contact me.

**GET !  
INVOLVED!**

## Language of the Half Term






Following the amazing success last year, we are continuing with immersing ourselves in the culture and language of a different country/region each half term. It is a superb opportunity for the children to look and explore a region that they may not have personally visited or in some cases heard of before.

This half term, the focus will be on German. A language that is spoken in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Luxembourg, which equals roughly around 100 million people who speak German worldwide.

If you want to get yourself and family involved in the language of the half term, then we have attached a language challenge for you to complete. Our teachers would love to see the work that you have completed on the language over the course of the next half term. You are also welcome anytime to show me the work you have done on this.



## Reminders

-  The School gates open at 8.40am, with the children entering the classroom at 8:45am. The gates will then close at 8.55am. Please ensure your child is on time as lessons start promptly at 9am. There has already been a number of late arrivals which causes disruption at the School Office.
-  Please remember that you can enter and leave the school premises from either entrance. Please be mindful of others, especially those who require assistance or those with buggies.
-  If your child requires a dose of calpol or medicine during the school day then it must be supplied by parents. We do not keep stocks in school. All medicines should be signed in at the school office, with the exception of our Early Years (these should be handed to the EYFS staff)
-  Please NAME all items brought to school. This includes shoes, lunch boxes, water bottles and bags. We highly recommend name labels from 'mynametags' as they stick and stay on everything!
-  Please be mindful when parking near school, avoid blocking any driveways and obstructing the view of oncoming traffic.



## Club availability

Just a reminder that all clubs will be starting again this week. It is a great opportunity for the children to socialise with their peers and learn or develop different skills. We currently have availability in all of our clubs and the numbers are not looking great. If there is not enough interest in a club then unfortunately the decision will be made to cancel it. If you are wanting to book your child/children into a club then please use Eduspot to secure your place.



## Fairtrade Fortnight

Over the next two weeks (9th September till 22nd September), we are going to be completing work in school on Fairtrade. It is a fabulous time to celebrate all the hard work the farmers have been doing to grow the food we love to eat. They are having to overcome many challenges as they try to tackle climate change and continue to grow their crops.



Kind regards,

Pete Cope

and the Etchells staff

