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The Board of Governors

This week we had a meeting of the full board of governors. I am delighted that Mr Hamayoun Choudry has agreed to continue in his role as Chair of Governors and Miss Suzy Taylor to continue as Vice-Chair. The work of the governors is extremely important in relation to the Leadership and Management of the school. As we have a number of new faces on the board, we are hoping to get a Newsletter out to parents with some introductions and background to the work they do. Watch this space in the Spring Term.

Mission Christmas



The collection box for the Mission Christmas appeal is now in the main reception of school. If you would like to contribute, please bring an unwrapped gift for a child and place in the box. Further information can be found in the hall window and the school foyer. Many thanks for your support with this brilliant charity.

Parent Council

We are struggling to form a Council of more than 4 or 5 members. It has been brought to my attention that some parents may find it easier to attend a meeting at the time of 3.30pm rather than 4.45pm. Arrangements would have to be made for children, but the meeting would only last an hour or so. If you would be able to volunteer at this time, please drop me an email and let me know, stating which class you could represent. Meetings are held once a term. It would be great to keep this method of hearing the Parent Voice going if we can.

Christmas Fair



The PTA Christmas Fair and Makers Market will be taking place next Friday on 30th November from 5pm - 7pm. Please come and join us if you can for food, drinks, stalls, raffle and much more! Entrance is £1 per family which includes a raffle ticket for hamper of goodies.

School Lunch Menu

The new menu for the rest of the Autumn term and the Spring term is now available to view on the school website. You can have a look at it here:

<http://www.etchells.stockport.sch.uk/page/school-lunches/4713>

Please note jacket potatoes are now available rather than sandwiches. If you wish to change from packed lunches to school lunches or vice versa, a week's notice must be given to the school office.

Christmas Performances

☀ EYFS (Nursery and Reception)

The performance of "Christmas Counts" will take place on Wednesday 5th December at 10am. 2 tickets per family have been sent home this week. We are strictly limited to this allocation due to fire regulations and no further tickets will be issued. Could we politely request that where possible, buggies are not brought to the performance as space is so restricted. The PTA will be serving tea and coffee, and raffle tickets will be available from 9am onwards in the hall.

☀ KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

A letter came home today for Year 1 and 2 parents to request 2 tickets for one of the performances of "It Takes a Village". The first will be taking place on Thursday 13th December at 2pm. This is for adults ONLY.

The second performance is taking place on Friday 14th December at 2pm for families. Please remember that only 2 tickets are allocated per family. There will be no exceptions to this.

Ticket requests need to be returned to the school office by Tuesday 4th December.

☀ Year 3

The Year 3 children will be visiting Smithy Croft, a local retirement home, to sing Christmas songs and carols to the residents. This will be taking place during the day on Friday 7th December. They will also be singing to the OAPS at their Christmas dinner at The Griffin on Thursday 13th December. Due to restricted space for the children and residents, parents will not be able to join us on this occasion.

☀ Year 5

Year 5 children are performing a traditional carol service at the United Reformed Church in Heald Green. This will take place on Wednesday 12th December at 6pm. There are no tickets allocated. Parents and friends are invited to just turn up and join the service.

Please note, Year 3, 4 and 6 will have opportunities to perform to parents later in the year.

Final Donation Day

Next Friday will be the last donation day for the Christmas Fair. Children are invited to come to school in Christmas themed clothes instead of their uniform. We are asking for a donation of a full, unopened bottle.

Donations are voluntary as always.

Kind regards,

*Cathy Beddows
and the Etchells staff*

