

SCHOOL NEWS

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The Summer Fair will be taking place on Friday 5th July from 5 - 7pm. We hope to see as many families there as possible as it is a lovely community event and all monies raised will be put towards the new trim trail which is being fitted in the half term holiday.

Our fairs could never be as successful without the generous donations from our families; they really do make a difference to the range of stalls we can offer and variety of prizes. May I thank you in advance for donating what you can - please remember that all donations are voluntary and children can still be involved in dressing up.

Date	What to do	What to donate
Friday 24th May	Mad hair	Bring in a teddy
Friday 14th June	Wear funny socks	Jar of wrapped sweets
Friday 28th June	Wear something summery	Chocolate
Friday 5th July	Non-uniform	A full, unopened bottle

Can you help our PTA?

We are really in need of some admin support for our PTA. Unfortunately the PTA is such a tiny group of parents - there are not enough people for all the jobs that need doing.



We are really looking for someone who can help with writing letters, updating the Facebook page, communications, liaising with myself and others linked to specific events. Could you help us out until September? Please email me directly on headteacher@etchells.stockport.sch.uk and let me know if you can give us a hand.

Respect Policy

This week our Governors agreed the 'Respect Policy' which has been published by the Local Authority regarding parent and visitor behaviour. I have attached a copy of the policy to this newsletter and it can also be found in the policy section of the school website. The policy is tightly linked to the 'Respect Charter' which is printed on the reverse of the Home School Agreement. The agreement has been signed by pupils, parents and school staff. It is not only linked to school visits, but the use of social media too. Please read the policy as it is relevant for everyone and will be enforced.



Eco Bricks

Our Eco-Team have been doing some research into eco-bricks. These are made from a plastic bottle and filled with lots of small pieces of plastic. They need to be filled really full so that they are compact and solid. They can then be used to build all kinds of things such as outdoor seating, tables, planters and even walls. The team are asking anyone who is interested to create their own eco-brick at home and then bring it to school by the 11th June. Follow the guidelines opposite and refer to the green table to make sure your bottle is dense enough.

The Eco-Team would like to award 5 dojos for every completed eco-brick!

You can also watch this You Tube video for more detailed instructions:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=MQYsXxHKgMk>



How Much Should It Weigh?

Your ecobrick should be about 0.3g/ml. Divide the ml of your bottle by 3 to find your target weight.

bottle volume	target weight
330ml	110g
420ml	140g
500ml	167g
900ml	300g
1000ml / 1L	333g
1500ml / 1.5L	500g
2000ml / 2L	666g

A Huge Thank You!

We would like to pass on thanks from the Trinity Church in Cheadle for all the generous donations for the Food Bank. We have had a tremendous response, and as the food bank is only just starting up, the donations have been invaluable in creating a good level of stock and range of items. Some parents have expressed their intention to contribute but haven't yet had the chance, therefore, we will be extending the collection until next Friday. If you would still like to bring in a donation, please send it to your child's classroom. Toiletries and personal hygiene items are also welcome, as well as long life food and drinks.



Enjoy the Bank Holiday and we'll see everyone back in school on Tuesday morning.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows

and the Etchells staff

