

SCHOOL NEWS

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Parents' Evenings

Next week we will be holding our Parents' Evenings via Zoom. If you have booked an appointment you will be receiving a meeting link from the class teacher. Please be mindful that appointments are a maximum of ten minutes and after this period of time, the teacher will need to move on to the next appointment. Please have your child's Mid-Term Report to hand - you should have received it this week via email.

Today we will be sending your child's workbooks home in order to give you the opportunity to see how they are doing before your Parent Consultation. We had very positive feedback about this last term and have acted on your feedback to allow you a little more time to look at the books together. For this reason, we are sending them home over the weekend. The books **MUST** be back in school on Monday morning in order for your child to continue their work in class. For us to continue with this in future it is important that we see all books back in school as requested.

World Book Day



On Thursday we will be celebrating World Book Day. Just a reminder that we will not be dressing up this year. Instead, we are having a focus around the book "What if..." by Samantha Berger. Thank you to everyone who has sent in a T-shirt for the children to decorate in a way directly linked to this book. We will be wearing the T-shirts on Thursday as part of a whole school focus - watch out for photos on our social media platforms.



Stockport Annual Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Day

Thursday 17th March 2022, 9am-3pm
Alma Lodge Hotel, 149 Buxton Rd, Heaviley, Stockport SK2 6EQ

Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for further information about this important event. You will be able to attend workshops and hear from senior leaders from Stockport Local Authority, as well as visit market stands which will give you the opportunity to learn more about provision and services available for children and young people with special education needs and disabilities in Stockport.





We are currently advertising for a Middy Assistant to join our lunchtime team. The hours are 12pm to 1.15pm, Monday to

Friday. The role involves working directly with the children, supervising them at lunchtime outside and indoors when the weather is wet, as well as assisting with lunches in the hall. A free hot meal is provided at 1.15pm. For further details and the application form, please visit the 'Vacancy' page on our school website or by following this [link](#).

Social Media



We use Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to celebrate events and share news from Etchells. The posts will be the same across the platforms so don't feel like you need to access them all. On our Instagram account, however, we have set up 'stories' for each of the year groups so you can see photos and posts directly relevant for your child. These will build up over the year.

Key Stage 2 Library

Every year, we allocate funds to keep both our Key Stage 1 and 2 libraries up to date with new books - both fiction and non-fiction. We have a good stock of dyslexia friendly books as well as a new section to support newly independent readers to choose books outside of the reading scheme bands. This has been a huge success and our black labelled books are very popular. Our most recent additions have included some fantastic non-fiction texts which support both our curriculum topics as well as the broader interests of the children.

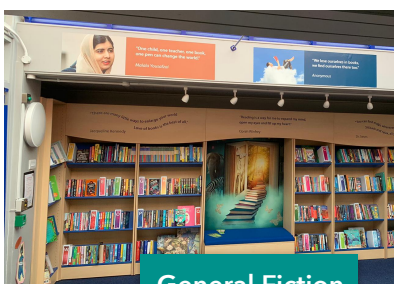
Another Sporting Success.....



We are very proud of Jessie in Year 4 who recently won a gold medal for cheerleading in a National Competition. She was up against a very large field and has done extremely well to achieve **GOLD!**



Dyslexia and Black Banded books



Covid Update

I would like to clarify that although there is no longer a legal requirement to isolate after testing positive for Covid, it is strongly recommended that a 5 day isolation period is still undertaken and 2 consecutive negative lateral flow test results are acquired before returning to school. Free PCR tests will still be available until the end of March.

Kind regards,
Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

