

# SCHOOL NEWS

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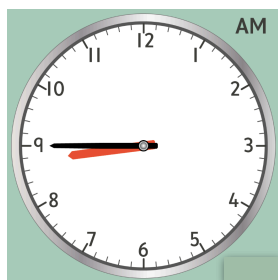
## New Drop Off/Pick Up Arrangements

As restrictions around Covid-19 are reducing, we are constantly re-evaluating the arrangements we have in place here at Etchells. Drop off and pick up times will now be the same for all pupils and everyone will follow the same one way system.

**From Monday morning...**

**Drop off:** everybody is to enter through the park side gate between 8.45am and 8.55am. The gate will be unlocked at 8.45am. Parents can accompany their children onto the playground, see them go into the classrooms and then leave via the Nursery gate. Please do not linger in the playground.

**Pick up:** enter school via the park side gate, wait in the playground and leave through the nursery gate. Do not cut through the grass area at the the front of school please. Despite our requests, there are still families doing this. **ALL children to be collected at 3.15pm.** The gate will be opened at 3.10pm and locked promptly at 3.20pm. We need to ensure that after school clubs and Little Flyers can play securely at the end of the day. It is not possible to supervise children after 3.20pm, so please make sure you arrive on time.



Following a competition launched by Mr Cope in Engineers Week recently, we were inundated with amazing constructions completed by the children at home. We had boats, bridges, planes and rockets made out of all kinds of imaginative materials. After much deliberation, our Design and Technology lead, Miss Laurie, with Mr Cope, chose the models made by Angela, Hadley, Scarlett and Himaru as the winners. Here they are with their creations and prizes. Well done for such an enthusiastic, creative effort from everyone. 🙌👏



Please find attached the latest SEND newsletter from the Local Authority. You can also read it by clicking [here](#).



## Candlelit Vigil

One of our Governors, Duncan Kerr, who also sits on the Heald Green Ratepayers Association, has brought to my attention a candlelit vigil for the Ukrainian people, taking place on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 6.30pm, at the Village Hall Car Park. We wanted to make you aware of the event.

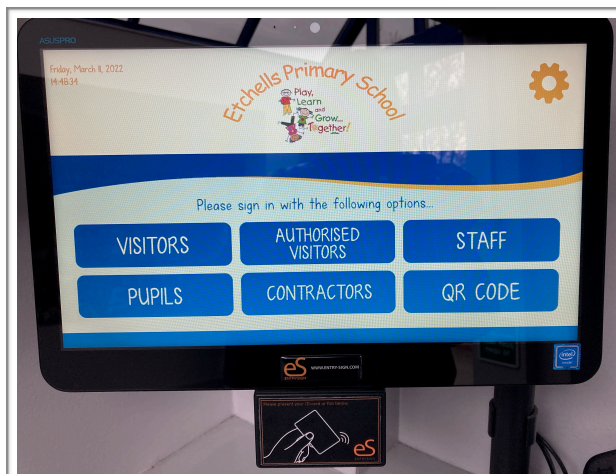
Candlelight vigil for Ukraine  
Heald Green Village Hall  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 6:30pm



MAR 15 Candlelight vigil for Ukraine  
Public - Hosted by Heald Green Ratepayers' Association

## Signing In and Out

We have been using our new EntrySign system for a while now to electronically sign pupils, staff and visitors in and out of the school building. It is positioned right next to the office window in the school entrance. When pupils are signed in or out, the system immediately updates the class register. Please ensure you use this system when dropping off or collecting early; if you're not sure what to do, one of the office staff would be happy to help. If a child leaves school without signing out on the system, it could have serious implications in the event of a fire, as staff would assume they were still in the building.






## Litter Pick

Another community event coming up is the Spring Litter Pick in Heald Green. Any willing volunteers are asked to meet outside Cafe Unity at 10am on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March. Children have really enjoyed the previous litter picks - and especially the free drink and cake offered in the cafe afterwards!



## Easter Celebrations

Easter is creeping up on us and I would just like to remind you of the upcoming events that have been organised by Miss Laurie. You will have already received a letter home with further details, but here is a reminder of the closing dates:

-  EYFS - Easter Bonnet - Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April
-  KS1 - Decorate an egg - designs to be brought in on 31<sup>st</sup> March, judging on the 1<sup>st</sup> April
-  KS2 - Egg mobiles - designs to be brought in on 31<sup>st</sup> March, judging on the 1<sup>st</sup> April

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff



Wilmslow Lightning Netball club is starting a new 'Bees' netball session for girls aged 7 and 8 from April.

The sessions will be a mix of skill and fun based activity, with the aim of the girls learning more about netball and team sports. The club will take place on Saturday mornings from 9.15am to 10.15am and is £5 a session. A flyer with further details is attached to this email.

