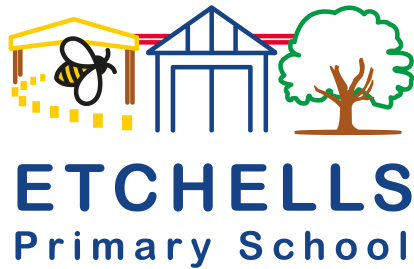


# SCHOOL NEWS

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We have decided it is time for a change and as well as updating the school website, we have had the logo re-designed. We wanted the changes to be more bespoke to Etchells and represent our school more clearly. We are pleased to launch the logo above which depicts the log circle, our front entrance, our lovely oak tree and the bee from our 'Bee Rules' and EYFS Busy Bee books. We will be rolling out the changes gradually over the year, with signage being updated and eventually uniform. We will be launching the new jumpers for our Reception year in September 2023 and larger sizes will be available to buy as and when you need to replace current uniform. We anticipate there will be a few years during which both styles of logo will be worn on the jumper. We will soon be launching a PE T-shirt, however, which can be worn to after school events as well as during PE sessions. Watch this space for further information. Our website will be launched in the New Year.



Next week is Anti-Bullying Week and the theme is 'Reach Out'. This involves us all thinking about our responsibility to help each other reach out:

*"Together, let's be the change we want to see. Reflect on our own behaviour, set positive examples and create kinder communities."*

The week is often marked with an odd sock day; however, as we have so many different event days going on at the moment, we are going to do this slightly differently. The children will be designing an odd sock in class and then they will be placed both inside and outside school to be spotted. The aim of the odd socks is to create a reminder for children to think about the anti-bullying theme.

Our Anti-Bullying Policy can be found in the policy section of the school website.



## Visit Santa at the Christmas Fair!

This is possibly the most popular attraction at the Christmas Fair and so therefore, booking ahead is essential. Please find attached the booking form which must be returned to school with the exact money by Friday 25th November. Tickets will be issued on a first come, first served basis.



## Parents Evening Reminder!

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If you haven't done so already, please make sure you make your appointment for Parents' Evening. If you have recently had a SEND meeting with the class teacher and Mrs Kind, you don't need to make a further appointment.

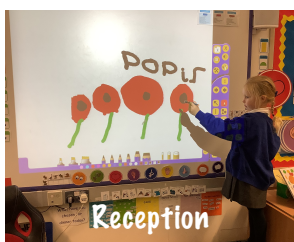
Books will be sent home today for you to look at with your child over the weekend. Please ensure they come back to school on Monday.

I will be available in my office throughout Parents' Evenings. Please pop by if you have any questions or just to say hello and introduce yourself!

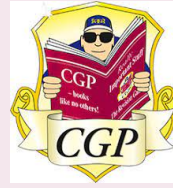
A final reminder that children should not attend Parents Evening. We do not allow them to be left unattended and it is too distracting to have them present in the meetings. Thank you for respecting this and making alternative arrangements.

## Remembrance Day

Today we observed a 2 minute silence at 11 o'clock to pay our respect to those fallen soldiers who lost their lives in the line of duty. We have been wearing our poppies and have made some beautiful creations this week.



## Homework - Extra Support!



We are often asked by parents how they can provide additional support at home for their child's learning. We thoroughly recommend books published by CGP

who create resources for every year group and in specific areas of the curriculum. They can be purchased from their website, but we can order them at significantly reduced prices through school, making them only a few pounds. I have attached the order form to this email. The books for your child's year group will be available to look at (not to take away) on Parents Evening, outside the classrooms. You can also view them online: <https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/>

If you wish to order, please complete the order form and return to school in an envelope with the exact money in cash. Orders close on 28th November. Please remember, work in these books is entirely optional and will not be set by the class teacher.

Homework sheets for this half term have been emailed home today and can be found on the class pages of the school website.



## PTA Winners

Well done to Harrison in 1P for winning the prize for the best brochure cover for the Christmas Fair and to Mila in 5R for the best poster. They were presented with their gift cards today.

Next Friday is Children in Need, so if you would like to, wear something spotty and make a donation online!

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

