



# SCHOOL NEWS

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### We are 90 Years old!!

This week we have been celebrating the fact that Etchells is 90 years old!! Our Year 5 have been studying Local History in their 'Story of Stockport' topic and worked with a local historian to record a section for Heald Green Heritage Museum audio trail round Heald Green. You can hear all about the building that took place in the 1930s, including our school, the first in Heald Green. It was known as Cheadle Etchells School. The village library was based here, opening with 650 books, run by volunteers. East Avenue Park was developed to include a play area, bowling green, pitch and put golf, tennis courts, five a side pitch, a pavilion and public toilets!



Click [here](#) to listen to the audio clip.

Click [here](#) to go to the website with the full walking tour.

In school we have been making 90th Birthday cards and sang Happy Birthday in assembly this week.



Reception: How many fingers make 90?

### Key dates until the end of term

December	Time	Event
Fri 2nd	5 - 7pm	Christmas Fair
Tues 6th	9am	Flu Vaccine catch up
Tues 6th	2pm	EYFS Nativity
Wed 6th	2pm	EYFS Nativity
Mon 12th	All day	Freddy Fit
		Reception, Y3, ,Y5, Y6 (wear PE kit to school)
Tues 13th	All day	Freddy Fit
		Nursery, Y1, ,Y2, Y4 (wear PE kit to school)
Wed 14th	2pm	Year 2 Nativity
Thurs 15th	2pm	Year 2 Nativity
Fri 16th	9am	Year 1 Sing-along
Fri 16th	All day	Christmas Jumper
		Christmas Dinner
Thurs 22nd	<b>3.15pm</b>	Break up for Christmas Holiday



Collection starts on Monday - a box will be in the school entrance. See last week's newsletter for more information.



## Flu Immunisation

A large number of our pupils didn't receive their flu immunisation last month. We have sent home an email with a link for you to consent to the vaccine should you now wish to take this up. You need to follow the link in the email to put your child's name on the list. The immunisation team will be in school next Tuesday, 6th December.

## Snow Policy



It's that time of year again when I share the Snow Policy with you. In the event the school needs to close due to snow, we will text and send a whole school dojo message. An urgent message will also be placed on the home page of the website. Please do not phone the school office to enquire about school closure: if you have not heard from us, then school is open as normal.

If other local schools are open or closed, please don't think that Etchells will be the same. The decision to close comes down to the safety of the school site and the availability of staff. Both of these factors can be very different for each school setting.

A final note on snow...if it snows, we aim to get outside and enjoy it! Please make sure your child comes to school with wellies, a pair of indoor shoes, ideally a change of socks (!), hats, gloves and a warm coat. All these items need to be NAMED!

## Christmas Baubles

Rehearsals have been stepping up for our Christmas nativities, preparations are in place for the Christmas Fair and this week Reception and Year 5 have been bauble making! Year 5 took part in a workshop at The Kingsway this week - check out their amazing creations.



Meanwhile, Reception created baubles using art skills in the style of Alma Thomas.



## Football Teams

We had our girls football team as well as a Y3/4 team playing in tournaments this week. Their attitude and support for each other was commended and they each received a 'Respect' badge. Well done!!



Hope to see you at the fair later.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

