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## e-safety Parents Evening

**Important date for your diary:**

Thursday 28th April 6pm in school hall

This information evening is being led by Tanya Cross, the Local Authority consultant for PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education). She will deliver extremely important information about our children using the internet and keeping them safe. I cannot stress how important this is and how much there is for us as adults to learn. The pupils have completed an e-safety questionnaire which we collated and sent the results to Tanya. She will then address issues which are pertinent for our children in our school. The session will be no more than an hour. Please note, it will only take place if we have a minimum of 30 parents attending. When we return after the holiday, we will send out a slip for you to return to indicate if you can attend.

Please note the meeting is for parents only and there will be no provision to look after the children this time due to the meeting being held at 6pm.

## Summer Menu

The new Summer menu is now on the website under school lunches in the School information section. If you wish, you may pay half termly or termly - the costs of this are also on the website page. Please note that a weeks notice is needed to change to either hot dinners or to packed lunches.

## Maths Parents Info Evening

May I extend a huge thanks to all the parents who attended our maths curriculum evening. Over a hundred of you attended and the positive feedback you have given us has been tremendous - thank you. My thanks also to Mrs Wilson and Miss Arnold, our maths leaders, as well as the rest of the staff who all made a contribution - either to the presentation or looking after the children! Let's hope we have a similar turnout for the e-safety evening.

## Attendance

Well done to Class 6M who have won this term's attendance award. The Parent Council discussed replacing this reward with the merit system but the children were keen to continue with it. During the first week back we will be awarding all children with over 98% attendance with a merit to put towards their star badges.

Our attendance currently stands at 95.2%, still below the National Average of 96%. This is mainly due to the number of holidays that are still being taken during term time. Unfortunately, such a low percentage will undoubtedly affect our Ofsted rating under behaviour and pupil welfare.



## New Head Boy and Girl

Our thanks to Adam and Narmeen for a fantastic job as Head Boy and Girl this term. They have undertaken the responsibility extremely well and proved to be excellent ambassadors for the school.

I am delighted to announce that after elections, the new Head Boy and Girl for the Summer term will be George and Suman.



## Fundraising

- \* Fish and Chip Bingo: everyone had a great time at the extremely successful PTA community event and a fantastic £500 was raised!!
- \* As a result of our donation day for Sport Relief, we were able to contribute £305 to the charity. Thank you for your support with this.

## Y3 Trip to MOSI

Yesterday the Y3 children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry.



## Other News

- \* Our football team took part in the Stockport County Community Foundation Schools Football Cup last week and although not winners this time, put in a tremendous effort and display of sportsmanship. Well done!
- \* When we return after the break, the children will be having a cultural assembly about the Jewish festival of Passover. This is part of our wide ranging RE curriculum delivery, as well as SMSC (Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Education)

Have an enjoyable 2 week break and I look forward to seeing everyone back at 8.45am on Monday 18th April.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

