



# SCHOOL NEWS

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**Family Quiz Night!** £2 per person

**Fun for adults and children**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**  
**5-7pm @ Etchells School**  
**Get tickets and pre-order pizza via School Spider**

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## EAL Coffee Morning Reminder

For all families who speak English as an additional language, come along and have a free tea or coffee with us in the hall at 8.45am on Tuesday 20th January. Tabassam Ijaz, our Bilingual Community Learning Mentor from the Ethnic Diversity Service, will be on hand to advise and signpost towards all of the varied services in Stockport supporting families whose first language isn't English. Tabassam works with children in schools and can support families too.

## Quiz Night

Please come along and have a go at winning our first Etchells Family Quiz. Soft and alcoholic drinks available, pizza (pre-order) and lots of fun. There are questions that will involve all the family - you will need the children for some of them. Whether you are a competitive quizzier or just up for a laugh, it would be great to see you there.

## Attendance

We are very likely to have an Ofsted inspection this term. Ofsted's major focus is likely to be on attendance. Currently a significant minority of our pupils are classed as persistent absentees as their attendance is below 90%.

90% attendance means missing on average one day a fortnight.

80% attendance means missing on average one day a week.

It is vital that children attend school every day, on time so they do not miss out. The national average for primary attendance is over 95%. We are regularly falling well short of this which has to be negatively impacting our children.

Should you need any support in improving attendance or understanding when to keep your child off and when to send them in, please get in touch.





### Dodgeball and Football

Our Year 5 and 6 footballers represented school brilliantly on Tuesday at Greenbank School.

And our Dodgeballers (pictured) have made the final of the Primary Stockport competition they have been competing in. Details of the final to follow. Well done to all of them.

In case you are looking for swimming lessons for your child, Life Leisure have the following offers and lessons available.



### Attendance

Here are the top three classes this week for attendance. Well done to 6C for having the highest attendance this week.

| Class   | Attendance |
|---------|------------|
| 6C      | 98%        |
| 3/4TL   | 97%        |
| Nursery | 96.1%      |

Please ensure your children are in school every day on time. Every day counts.



Our swimming lesson programme includes:

- 1x 30-minute Junior lesson per week for £38.00 per month.
- Lessons run for 50 weeks of the year, providing consistent, year-round training.
- Free public swimming during suitable sessions.
- 20% discount on swimming holiday courses.
- Discounted rate of £57.00 per month for two lessons per week

Kind regards,  
Stuart Kelly  
and the Etchells staff

