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## Summer Fair

The summer Fair is this Friday. It was a fantastic event last year, raising a lot of money for the school through the PTA and giving the whole school community a great evening of fun. This year we have ponies too! To make this year's fair just as successful, we need to ask for a few more donations as we didn't manage to get much **chocolate** in last week. We would really appreciate **bottle donations** next Friday too. Lastly, we don't have anything like as many **parent volunteers** as last year. If you would like to help the PTA on the day please get in touch with the school or contact the PTA at [pta@etchells.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:pta@etchells.stockport.sch.uk)

## Year 5 Residential

I have provisionally booked Linnet Clough for 18th -19th March 2027 for year 5. We would travel by train with a 25 minute walk either side to keep costs manageable. The children will have activities including high ropes, zip line, laser tag, archery etc and would spend the night before enjoying more activities on the Friday morning and returning home. 3 meals would be included. The costs depend on the number of children who go. Total costs will run to close to £5,000. Split between all of year 5 this would mean costs of just over £100 each. If fewer pupils want to go, costs may rise to beyond £150. We will send a poll soon to garner interest.

## School Development Priorities for 2026/27

Etchells will have 4 areas we are particularly focused on for school improvement next year.

1. Phonics. We are determined that all children learn to read as early as possible and those struggling get the best support.
2. More children learning more and remembering more in non-core subjects, supported by a consistent teaching model including great oracy teaching.
3. To improve writing outcomes through Talk for Writing.
4. To improve the outdoor provision in Early Years.

In addition, we need to continue to focus on improving attendance and reducing persistent absence.



### Nursery Sports Day

Nursery had a great time on Wednesday morning as they enjoyed their very first Sports Day. Here's a few pictures of all the fun.



### Attendance

Here are the top three classes this week for attendance. Well done to 3/4TL for having the highest attendance this week.

Class	Attendance
3/4TL	99.1%
2J	96.2%
3/4VR	93.2%

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

Every day counts.

Kind regards,

Stuart Kelly and the Etchells staff

### Online Safety

Please click on this link (more info on the Online Safety page of our school website) for the latest information about how to best set safety controls on your child's devices and consoles: [MGL Online Safety Newsletter](#)

We are aware of some risky online behaviour from some of our pupils and want to support you in keeping them safe, reducing vulnerabilities and ensuring that they don't get themselves in difficult situations while having fun.

### Donate Clothes

We are accepting donations to support SAMMY'S PROJECT - Donate clothes and raise funds for Etchells and Sammy's Project - supporting Leukaemia and Myeloma Research. The more collected; the school will receive a share as well based on the weight collected.

If you wish to bring your own donations from home too - we have lots of extra donation bags at the office; feel free to come and get one.

DONATION DAY - Thursday 2nd July - THIS DAY ONLY

