

SCHOOL NEWS

Your help needed!!! Onesie Day | Reminders

PTA

Last night the PTA met to discuss fundraising activities and make plans for the future. Even though we changed the usual meeting time to 6.30pm in an effort to attract more parents, we had no new faces attend.

There has been considerable interest in the school hosting a summer and/or Christmas fair or a similar family style event. The current PTA are understandably hesitant in arranging such big events with so little offers of support.

It may be time for a different approach. I would like to suggest that groups of parents may want to get together to organise events through the year instead of one committee trying to get everything done. If you would like to contact me about organising a fair or a family event please let me know and I would be willing to support you and help you move forward. If you have any thoughts about re-energising the PTA, please email me and let me know. In the meantime, it has been lovely to see the children excitedly buying their presents for that special day this weekend (shhhh!) and I'd like to extend thanks to the parents for the time given to enable this to happen. Also coming up will be a film night for KS2 children and an entertainment night yet to be arranged for KS1. More details to follow.

Family Performance Night

I am very keen for the school to hold some kind of family style event even if it's not yet on the scale that we might have hoped. We have decided to hold a Family Performance Night. This will take place on Friday 4th July from 6-8.30pm. The evening will give the opportunity for clubs such as Karate, gym, country dancing, pop singing and recorders to perform to parents. We would like to use the hall for this but allow parents to come in and out from the playground to watch the performances they choose. On the playground areas we will have a bar, BBQ, and perhaps other food choices, as well as some side attractions such as tombolas, a raffle and side games.

We hope to create a special celebratory atmosphere where children, parents and school staff can come together as a community. However, this cannot happen without offers for help. We would need people to volunteer for just ONE of the following: help set up, help clear away, attend a stall, bar or BBQ for a shift of half an hour only. This can be planned around any performances you may wish to watch. Please let me know if you would be willing to lend a hand in one way or another to make this event happen. Contact me by email on headteacher@etchells.stockport.sch.uk or phone/speak to office staff. If I do not have sufficient offers of help by NEXT FRIDAY this event will have to be cancelled.

LETS MAKE THIS HAPPEN!!!!



This week...

* Our lucky raffle winners enjoyed experiencing the Manchester Derby on Tuesday night. We are grateful to Manchester Utd for offering us the free tickets in order to build community links (even though the best team won!!)

* As well as the performances of the BFG by the Limelight Drama club next week, we are also looking forward to our Country Dancers performing at Cheadle Primary School in a local schools dance festival. I look forward to accompanying them.

Onesie and PJ day

To help raise money for the extremely popular summer fun day at the end of the school year, we are holding a onesie day. This will take place next Friday (04.04.14) Pyjamas and dressing gowns are also welcome! We are asking for a donation of £1 towards this day full of fun.

Some reminders....

I would like to remind parents that children should not play on the climbing frame in the Early Years playground before school. It is unsupervised at this time and we do not want any accidents to happen.

We have also become aware of some parents bringing dogs onto the playground and in some cases, into the cloakroom!! Dogs must NOT be brought onto the school premises. Please respect this request.



....and now for my weekly reminder about Twitter!! We are up to 44 followers and it would be great to reach 50 by the Easter holiday. The more people who follow us, the better this form of communication can be. Go on... download the app and follow us @EtchellsPS

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff

