



# Euxton Church of England Primary School



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Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents,

## **Euxton Superstars!**

Congratulations to our Euxton Superstars this week:

**Reception: Ruby Morgan-Fahy**

**Year 1: Billy Rowbottom**

**Year 2: Katie Sacco**

**Year 3: Gabriella Clemson**

**Year 4: Oliver Pilkington**

**Year 5: Gemma Balshaw**

**Year 6: Katie Dearden**

Well done to you all!

## **Parent Governor Vacancy**

Please remember that ballot papers for the Parent Governor Elections need to be returned to school or posted in our ballot box at the front desk by **12 noon on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October**.

## **Girls' football result**

Brilliant news! Congratulations to our girls' football team for fantastic performances this week, which means they are playing in the finals next Tuesday -well done!

## **Christmas Shoebox Appeal**

Mr Meadley from Chorley Rotary is visiting school on Monday morning to talk to the children in Worship about this Appeal. Letters will be coming home on Monday inviting your child to fill a box. We hope as many children as possible will take up this invitation so that babies, children and teenagers in Eastern Europe will receive a box in time for Christmas. More details on the items to include in your box will be sent home with your box. Last year Mr Meadley collected an amazing 70 filled boxes from our school, let's see if we can beat that this year! Thank you for your support.

## **Saisa and Bake Sale**

Thank you so much for your generous donations today, to ensure that we can sponsor Saisa from Kenya for another day, through Action Aid. Thanks once again to the girls from Y4 for their delicious cakes for our Bake Sale too. Thank you Isla, Hannah M, Alice, Grace, Olivia, Evie P, Jessica and Tilly. Joe Ellis, Beatrice Sage and Hannah and Caitlin Lilley also baked - thank you so much! If I've missed anyone else out please let me know. I will let you know the grand total raised via text as soon as I can.

## **School Harvest**

Our church Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October. We would love it if you could send any donations of food (non-perishables, tins, packets, etc.) next Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> October. Volunteers from church will collect the donated items and distribute them, along with items donated to church, to our parishioners. Thank you for your support.

### Disco Time!

It's disco time on **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> October**, with DJ Danny!

**6:00 – 7:00pm**                      Infants (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

**7:15 – 8:15pm**                      Juniors (Years 3-6)

The cost is £3 and includes free juice. Please pay on the door. All welcome and remember parents, you don't need to stay! **Please remember not to drive up the school drive to drop off/collect your child and avoid Papa Luigi's car park.** The two church car parks are the best to use in the evening. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

### Reception Parents Comments

Thank you so much to the Reception parents who have written the loveliest comments for me to share with prospective parents next week at our Open Day. We really have been touched by your kind words and are delighted that the children have settled in so well. It's not too late if you would like to add to this over the weekend. Please email me on [head@euxton.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@euxton.lancs.sch.uk) or write it down and hand it in to the office or pop it in your child's book bag. Thank you very much.

### Swimming Star

Well done to Louis Crake, who was awarded 'Swimming Star' at Y4's lesson at Tarleton this week.

### Admissions - Primary and Secondary Places

You can now apply via [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) for school places for next September.

Supplementary Faith forms are available in the school office for our school. If you are applying to any faith school a separate form should be provided by them and completed. The closing dates are as follows:

**Secondary (Y7 in Sept 2019) – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

**Primary (Reception in Sept 2018) – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Please do not hesitate to have a chat with me if you would like any additional information. **If you know anyone who is interested in their child coming to our lovely school then please encourage them to come along to our Open Day, which will be next Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October.** There will be two opportunities on the day; from 9:30-10:30 and from 1:30-2:30pm. It would be great to have a rough idea of numbers so we encourage prospective parents to contact the school office and let us know if they would like to attend. Although this is an Open Day, it is so important to us that it reflects normal, everyday school life, which it will. Our Year 6 children are already excited about showing people around and I know they will do us proud!

### Cheerleading Workshops at Parklands High School

Following on from three Parklands pupils taking a cheerleading themed PE lesson with Year 5 on Wednesday morning, Parklands are holding workshops run by their students and members of the cheer team on Tuesdays from 4-5pm commencing on 6<sup>th</sup> November and will run for 7 weeks until 18<sup>th</sup> December. The cost of the workshop is £15 and they will be teaching a variety of cheerleading skills including stunts, tumblers, jumps and dance, building up to a full routine completed to showcase to parents and other family members at the end of the 7 weeks. If your year 4, 5 or 6 child is interested please ask for a form at our school office or email [bursar@euxton.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@euxton.lancs.sch.uk) and Mrs Hodges will send one home.

### High School Open Evenings

Westholme School - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 10am-1pm

Holy Cross Catholic High School - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 6:30-8pm

## Wellbeing

I think we all understand how essential it is to consider the wellbeing of our children, and indeed ourselves as adults. At a conference last week, I was able to listen to the work of the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust, who gave us great ideas and resources to support this in school, both in terms of children and adults. You will see displays around school, some quite prominent, promoting wellbeing. The main ones are 'Five Steps to Wellbeing' and 'Ten Keys to Happiness'. The website [www.cwmt.org.uk](http://www.cwmt.org.uk) has further information should you be interested.



TALK & LISTEN,  
BE THERE,  
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,  
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,  
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER  
THE SIMPLE  
THINGS THAT  
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW  
EXPERIENCES,  
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,  
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,  
your words,  
your presence

## Ten keys to happier living



### GIVING



Do things for others

### RELATING



Connect with people

### EXERCISING



Take care of your body

### AWARENESS



Live life mindfully

### TRYING OUT



Keep learning new things

### DIRECTION



Have goals to look forward to

### RESILIENCE



Find ways to bounce back

### EMOTIONS



Look for what's good

### ACCEPTANCE



Be comfortable with who you are

### MEANING



Be part of something bigger

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

## Weekly Football Coaching sessions at Southlands

Football Coaching Development are starting coaching sessions at Southlands High School each Tuesday commencing on the 16<sup>th</sup> October. The course costs £6 per session and is open to boys and girls aged 4-11. Group 1 is 6-7pm (ages 4-6), Group 2 is 7-8pm (ages 7-8) and Group 3 is 8-9pm (ages 9-11). For further information and to book a place please ring 07856 315637.

## Nasal Flu return forms

If you haven't already done so, please return your child's nasal flu form to the school office as soon as possible. If you have mislaid your form please email Mrs Hodges on [bursar@euxton.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@euxton.lancs.sch.uk) who will send you another one. Thank you.

## ParentPay

Activation letters for those who haven't activated their accounts have been sent home this week.

**Please do activate your account as soon as you receive this reminder so that you are able to pay for items that have been added to your child's account. Thank you.**

Here are a few pointers that the office staff have compiled to help with any queries you may have.

**Lunches (Infants):** All the infant children are entitled to free school meals. Please do not pay for infant's meals.

**Uniform:** A payment item has been set up to enable you to pay for uniform purchased. When you owe for any items, the amount will be shown in red.

**Out of School Club:** You will now have been charged for attendance at Breakfast and After School Club up to half term. If you need to see detailed transactions, please click on "Parent Account" on your ParentPay homepage. Payments made from Childcare Vouchers are shown as "Other Adjustment". If you have any further queries, please speak to or email Mrs Parker (l.parker@euxton.lancs.sch.uk). After half term, charges for attendance up to the Christmas holidays will be added to your accounts.

**Payment notifications:** In your account settings you may find it helpful to go to 'Communication' and click on either email or text alerts which will notify you when a payment request has been added to your child's account.

If any unexpected items appear on your account, please speak to Mrs Hodges or Mrs Parker before making a payment.

In the next few weeks, text messages and emails will be sent from ParentPay rather than Teachers2Parents so your messages home may look a bit different. In our fight to cut down on the amount of paper and ink used to copy letters home, many will be sent home through your ParentPay account via email. If a letter with a return slip is needed a paper copy will come home. **After half-term newsletters will all be sent via email.** If you currently receive a paper copy please can you let school know the best email address to send it to. Please let me know if this will be a problem for you.

I do hope you are all finding this new system much easier than trying to find change or cheque books to send money into school. A massive thank you, once again to our wonderful office team!

## And Finally....

Thank you to McKenzie Hartley from Year 2 for our joke this week:

**Q. What is the difference between sprouts and bogeys?**

**A. You can get children to eat bogeys!**

Thank you McKenzie - a great joke! Please remember to send your jokes in to me, I would love loads to choose from.

Take care,

Mr Nick Ward  
Headteacher

**In our Christian family, we all SHINE in the light of Jesus.**

Wisdom Compassion Humility Friendship Peace Trust Forgiveness Hope