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Dear Parents.

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

Reception: George L

Year 1: Violet
Year 2: Daniel
Year 3: Ella
Year 4: Olivia
Year 5: Poppy
Year 6: Olivia Dr

Well done to you all!

Reception Meeting

Thank you for coming to this week's Reception Curriculum meeting. If you didn't manage to make it on the night, the information slides have been sent home via parent pay. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the Reception team.

PTFA

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting on Tuesday evening. It was lovely to welcome new members! Our PTFA are busy planning for the year ahead and have some great events lined up - a couple are mentioned below. A huge 'thank you' to our PTFA all their fundraising events last year which raised money for school to purchase a range of non-fiction books that match our curriculum. We have used these books to create a non-fiction library which will be a great learning resource and benefit every child. Thank you so much!

PTFA Autumn Disco

The first PTFA Disco of the year, with DJ Danny, is Wednesday, 18th October:

- Reception Y3: 5.45pm-6.30pm
- Y4-Y6: 6.45pm-7.45pm

Pay on the door - £3 includes a drink. Tuck shop available: 50p will purchase either 2 small items or 1 large item e.g. a big flump! Please don't bring more than £1-£2 to spend. Reception parents are welcome to stay if your child would prefer. We hope to see you there!

PTFA Christmas Fair

Saturday 2nd December -Christmas Fair 11am -1pm. This is a wonderful festive event and fun for all the family. The PTFA are looking for volunteers who would be able to help out on a stall. There would be no expectation to stay on the stall for the whole time of the fair. If you can offer some time to help out please contact Mrs Bodgers (Joshua's mum) by emailing beckiebodgers@icloud.com and she can add your name to the list of helpers. The more volunteers we have, the more stalls we can offer on the day. Thank you ©

Bolton School STEM Morning

Grace, Olivia, Nicole and Charlotte proudly represented our school on Wednesday morning in Bolton School's STEM morning. They completed three different tasks, including building a rocket-landing facility and a tower from art-straws. The girls worked together well and problem-solved their way through tasks. They showed great determination and belief in themselves and their abilities. I hope they (and others) feel inspired to consider future careers in STEM!

Donations



Thank you so much for all the generous donations. We raised a staggering £263.00 for Friday's fundraiser to support Organ Donation Week. Amazing! Monies raised will be sent to the charity 'We Are Donors' which supports 'changing minds for changing lives'.

Girls Football Tournament

The girls put in another determined display of sportsmanship this week. The fixtures by no means reflect their performance, as they worked together well, holding their positions and creating chances. Please enjoy our Sports Correspondent's, Charlotte Huggan's match report:

In our first match we were playing St Peter's. Unfortunately, they were bigger and stronger than us and, in spite of our determined defence, beat us. Elizabeth worked really hard to create chances in the midfield, I had a good shot which was sadly diverted by the wind. Bethany and Josie again worked hard upfront, but were just unlucky. In our second game against Highfield, they had a stronger and faster striker so took the lead very swiftly. Our team quickly re-gained our positions and used the tactics we have practised. We were very unlucky not to receive a goal. Hopefully, we will beat the teams we are playing next week.

Use of the School Drive

Please remember that, for no other reason than safety, we do not allow cars to come down the school drive up to 9:15am or after 3:00pm. If you are collecting from after school club you may drive up after 4:45pm. There are two church car parks you can use, as well as a kind offer from Papa Luigi's too (apart from Mondays). Please remain considerate when parking in any residential or business areas too. We really do value your support with this, thank you.

Parents' Evening

Appointment slips were returned this week. We look forward to meeting with parents on **Tuesday 10th October** to discuss how the children have settled into their new classes and the progress they are making. Appointments are 5 minute slots. If you think more discussion time is needed, please make arrangements to meet with your child's teacher on another day.

Preloved uniform and books will be available to take on the day so please just help yourself if you need anything.

Open Day

A reminder that our Open Day for prospective parents for children starting school in September 2024 is next **Monday 9th October**. There will be two opportunities on the day; from **9:30-10:30am** and from **1:30-2:30pm**. Our Year 6 children are looking forward to showing parents and children round.

Reception Parent Comments

Thank you so much for the lovely comments I have received for our Open Day, it is lovely to hear how amazingly well the children have settled in! We are all proud of them.

Board Game Request

Our out of school club are currently stocking up on board games for the children to play now that the weather is starting to change and playing outside lessens. If you have any primary school suitable board games that you no longer play with and would be happy to donate them to the club please either hand them over to the OSC staff or if you don't use this provision but still want to donate, please hand them over to the ladies in the school office who will pass them on. Thank you in advance.

Nasal Flu Sprays

The school health team are back in school administering the flu nasal spray on **Tuesday 28th November**. This year, as with previous years, we will be sending an e-link home so that you can give permission (or not) for this to be administered in school. Watch out for an email coming home with the link once we receive it from the health team as there is usually a cut-off date. Thank you.

<u>Players Drama School</u>

This popular club is continuing on Thursdays after school after half term and available to all children. ACT-SING-DANCE and spread the Christmas Cheer with Players in Education. A flyer has been emailed home this week with more details if your child would like to join in - playersdramaschool.co.uk/players-in-education is the link to book a place on the Christmas course.

Admissions - Primary and Secondary Places

You can now apply via 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 2024) - 31st October 2023 Primary (Reception in Sept 2024) - 15th January 2024

Please do not hesitate to have a chat with me if you would like any additional information.

Online safety:

As part of our online safety subscription, please find below a link to access a virtual parent/carer information session:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1gmaT9qWvRVpcUT_dHn-oNTGoU1vSP7Vz?usp=sharing

Finally, well done to Mr Hacker (Toby's Dad) who made it to Everest Base Camp on Tuesday after 8 days! He's met his fund-raising target but is trying to get it up to £4K. The Justgiving page is still live and remember all the funds raised go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colinhacker

A message and fabulous photo from Mr Hacker below: -



WEEEE DID IT!! Everest Base Camp done. 5364m above sea level. 50% oxygen. Big thanks again to everyone for their support with training, fundraising and donations. Thanks to the Discover Adventure leaders for looking after us so well.

Have a great weekend everyone and hopefully enjoy a break from the rain with some lovely Autumn sunshine!

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash Headteacher