



# Euxton Church of England Primary School



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

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Headteacher: Mrs Ash

Friday 28th June 2024

Dear Parents,

## **Euxton Superstars!**

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

**Reception: Ava and Harry**

**Year 1: George**

**Year 2: Daniel**

**Year 3: Carson**

**Year 4: Emily K**

**Year 5: Ruby**

**Year 6: Declan**

Well done to you all and I know you will continue to SHINE!

## **Musical Success**

Congratulations to **Harrison Jennings** who has passed his Bronze Music Medal (guitar) and had his certificate presented in Celebration Worship this morning. Thank you to Mr Wadsworth who prepares the children for their guitar music medals in school. Well done Harrison!

## **Colour Run**

We were so sorry to have to postpone today's Colour Run. The date is set next **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July** and we shall hope the sun shines and the wind drops.

## **Robinwood**

Y6 children had a wonderful, sunny time at Robinwood this week. They took part in lots of action-packed activities, which you can see on our school X feed. A BIG 'thank you' to the staff, Mrs MacDonald, Mrs Yarker and Mrs Platt, for looking after the children.

## **Swimming Gala**

On Tuesday, ten of our Year 5 children competed at the Chorley SSP Swimming Gala. Despite the high temperatures, the children gave it their all and brought home individual medals in butterfly for Thomas and freestyle for Isla as well as a team medal for the medley relay. Throughout the evening, the children demonstrated an amazing team spirit and represented our school to the highest standard. We couldn't be prouder! Congratulations to you all!

## **Bolton Iron Man - THIS SUNDAY!!!**

On **Sunday 30 June** Rev Amy (Swim), Becky Edge (Bike) and Beth Palmer (Run) will be competing in the 70.3 Bolton Iron Man. Please show your support if you can by sponsoring them. All money raised will be going Euxton Parish Church. Thank you!

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/euxtonparishchurchironmanfundraiser>

### Year 5/6 Production

We are all looking forward to next Thursday's performances of 'Shakespeare Rocks!' by our year 5 and 6 children. Children are to return to school no sooner than 5.30pm please for the evening performance. Ticket allocations have been sent home and any unwanted tickets can be returned to the school office please. Raffle at both performances, £1 a strip, please remember to bring along cash. Thank you for your support!

### Quad Kids

Good luck to our Y3/4 and Y5/6 team who are competing next week!

### Sports Day

Sports Day is next Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July:

**1:15pm Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**

**2:15pm Years 3-6**

Children can come to school ready for sports day in their team sporty clothes (a team coloured t-shirt: Air- Yellow, Earth - Green, Fire - Red, Water - Blue, black shorts and trainers). Please also ensure children have a water bottle and that sun cream is applied before they come to school. Our PTFA are running a tuck shop and refreshments from 2pm. Please do not park at Papa Luigi's on Tuesday afternoon as their car park is needed for their customers - thank you for your co-operation with this. Please let grandparents also know.

**Children are able to leave with parents after they have finished their races: if you would like to pick your child up, please do so by going around to the playground and collecting them from their classroom door.**

Please could we ask that you don't encourage younger siblings to play on St Mary's outside play equipment during our Sports Day - thank you!

If we have to cancel due to bad weather, we will text all parents on the day as early as possible. Our reserve Sports Day in this case would be Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. We look forward to having you with us!

### Move Up Morning

Next Wednesday, children will be spending the morning in their new classrooms for September and meeting their new teaching team:

**Reception:** Ms Lucas with Mrs Critchley & Mrs Gifford

**Y1:** Mrs Obertelli with Mrs Crook & Mrs Price

**Y2:** Mrs Smith with Mrs Dean & Miss Dent

**Y3:** Mr Westwell with Mrs Mearns & Mrs Platt

**Y4:** Mrs Wiles & Mr Astle with Mrs Crosby & Mrs Balshaw

**Y5:** Mrs Oral with Mrs Tattersall

**Y6:** Mrs MacDonald with Mrs Yarker & Mrs Balshaw

We hope any Y6 visiting their high schools next Wednesday have a fun time exploring their new schools!

### Online safety

This week's poster shares top tips for parents about fair play and friendly competition.

### St Catherine's Hospice Art Competition

Please see the flyer below with all the details on for your child to take part in this competition - good luck to all that enter! The deadline for entries is this Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Message from School Office**

As we approach the end of the summer term please can parents check their balances in ParentPay and settle any outstanding balances before the last day of term. We will continue to send out reminders. Year 6 parents please could you be mindful that your balances need to be cleared before the end of term, remembering not to send Mrs Ormes more OSC vouchers than necessary as these can't be refunded (Mrs Ormes has messaged you about this directly). Any outstanding ParentPay Y6 balances will be passed to siblings if they have one in school. Lots of uniform has been sent home this week, this is sent home in good faith before payment so please ensure this is paid for as soon as it is received. Please send any uniform orders to Mrs Ormes next week, avoiding the last week of term if at all possible. Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this. Mrs Hodges and Mrs Ormes

### **School Meal Increase from September**

We have been notified by Lancashire County Council that school meals for KS2 children (Y3-6) will increase to **£2.70** per day from 1<sup>st</sup> September. They remain free for infant children (YR, Y1 and Y2). School meals are still good value and particularly delicious prepared by Mrs Bradley so we would encourage as many children to enjoy one each day where possible. If your child is currently in Y2, they will be charged for a school meal as they join the juniors in Y3. If you would like your Y3 child in September to continue with a school meal there is nothing you need to do but if you would like them to bring their own packed lunch into school from September please inform Mrs Ormes (a.ormes@euxton.lancs.sch.uk) before the end of this term.

### **After School Club Routine**

Starting next week, from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, please ring the mobile number **0773 0777136** and inform ASC staff that you are approaching school to collect your child. Staff will then be able to have children ready with their belongings for handover; either at the playground gate (if outside) or the OSC door (if indoors). Please save the mobile number to your contacts, and share this new method of communication with any key people who may collect your child on your behalf.

If your child is being collected by someone who isn't on the designated pick up list or not attending afterschool club, again please let the staff know before the end of the school day by either ringing the school office or by email. If after 4.30pm, ring the OSC number **0773 0777136**.

Thank you for your support!

### **Job Vacancies**

#### **Church Community Centre (2 roles)**

Our Church Community Centre is key resource the church and the wider community. We have 2 paid posts available which will enable this valuable work to continue.

**CCC Co-ordinator role** is to administer the day-to-day management and organisation of the Church Community Centre, ensuring its smooth running and developing the use of the Centre in line with the vision of the parish. (7.5 hours per week over a min of 4 days) Job Description & Person Specification can be found [here](#).

**CCC Caretaker role** is to ensure the continued upkeep of the Church Community Centre, ensuring it complies with legislation and policies. Be a point of contact for hirers / tradespeople of the CCC. (6 hours per a week) Job Description & Person Specification can be found [here](#).

If you wish to apply for one of these roles then please complete and return this [application form](#) by **8pm Sunday 30th June 2024**. For more information contact Revd Jo Smith [here](#).

### Summer Holiday Club - Connexus

Please see the flyer below for this club taking place at Moss Side Primary School, PR26 7ST.

### PTFA Lucky Numbers Winner!

Congratulations to Rebecca Banks (Zachary's Mum) who has won the last draw of the school year. A whopping £50 cheque is on its way home to you! Well Done. If you would like to join our Lucky Numbers draw please email the school office who will pass your details over to the PTFA. Thank you!

### Summer Term Key Dates Ahead

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July** - Y5/6 Production 'Shakespeare Rocks!' - 2pm & 6pm.

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Euxton Gala Day on school field.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July** - Last swimming session for Y3.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** - Y6 Leaver's Service - 2pm in church.

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** - Reserve Sports Day pm - weather dependent.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July** - Last homework club with Mrs Rowan.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July** - PTFA Leaver's Disco (Y4-6) 6-8pm in the school hall (see flyer below).

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July** - Last celebration assembly for certificates/trophies/birthdays.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July** - Papa's Pizzas Y6 treat for lunch in school.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July** - Leaver's Lunch.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July** at 2pm - Euxton Factor (Auditions in class w/c **8th July**)

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** - End of school year. Awards Assembly for Y6 class 9.05am. School finishes at 1.30pm. No ASC on this day.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash  
Headteacher

**In our Christian family, we all SHINE in the light of Jesus.  
Wisdom Compassion Humility Friendship Peace Trust Forgiveness Hope**

# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## FAIR PLAY AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION

In school sports, fair play and friendly competition are important for character development. Fair play embodies respect and integrity while good-natured competition balances rivalry with camaraderie. This guide addresses potential challenges — like the pressure to win — and offers practical tips on instilling values of fair play and cultivating a positive sporting environment for young athletes.

### 1 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Parents, carers and teachers should try to exemplify fair play: demonstrating respect for opponents, coaches and officials. Children frequently learn by observing adult behaviour, so displaying a sense of fair play sets a powerful precedent for them to follow in their own actions on and off the field.

### 2 EFFORT OVER OUTCOME

Encourage children to focus on giving it their all, rather than basing their entire performance on whether they win or not. This fosters a growth mindset, where the journey and the process of improvement are valued just as much as the end result. It also reduces the pressure to “win at all costs”, which can be a harmful outlook in some situations.

### 3 SET CLEAR EXPECTATIONS

Establish clear guidelines and expectations for behaviour before, during and after sporting events. Ensuring that children understand what is considered acceptable conduct helps prevent misunderstandings and promotes a positive, respectful atmosphere.

### 4 HIGHLIGHT COOPERATION

Underline the value of teamwork and cooperation in achieving success. Success isn't just about individual achievements, but about how well the team communicates, encourages each other and works together towards a common goal. A strong focus on cooperation fosters camaraderie and mutual support among players.

### 5 DISCUSS ACCEPTING DEFEAT

Help children to understand that they can't win every contest — that losing occasionally is a natural part of both sport and life in general. Teaching them to accept defeat gracefully and learn from their mistakes promotes resilience, humility and the ability to bounce back stronger from setbacks. Taking a loss in one's stride is also an admirable trait and can help children and young people garner respect in their future life.

### 6 ENCOURAGE INCLUSIVE PARTICIPATION

Promote an environment where all children feel welcome and valued, regardless of their skill level. Prioritise the importance of participation and enjoyment over winning, creating a supportive atmosphere where every child can thrive and develop their abilities without unnecessary pressure.

### 7 FOSTER CONFLICT RESOLUTION SKILLS

Teach children how to resolve conflicts peacefully and respectfully, both on and off the field. Providing them with strategies for effective communication and problem-solving helps build stronger relationships and enhances their ability to navigate challenges, which can be a huge boon to them throughout their adult lives.

### 8 TEACH RESPECT

Emphasise to children the importance of respecting everyone involved in the game, regardless of the outcome. Respect for your teammates, opponents, coaches and officials helps to create a positive, inclusive sports environment where everyone can feel valued and appreciated.

### 9 GIVE CONSTRUCTIVE FEEDBACK

Offer feedback that focuses on areas for improvement rather than unfiltered criticism. Praise what a child has done well and advise on how to improve, rather than simply pointing out shortcomings. Encouraging a growth mindset and highlighting progress helps children to develop confidence, resilience and a desire to continue striving for excellence.

### 10 CELEBRATE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

Try to avoid solely drawing attention to children's physical performance on the field. Recognise and celebrate acts of sportsmanship, fair play and kindness, too. By spotlighting positive behaviour, you reinforce the importance of such conduct and inspire children to practise this in the future, creating a culture of respect and camaraderie within the sports community that does wonders for morale.

## Meet Our Expert

Caroline Holder is a PE consultant based in Staffordshire. Having worked across all age ranges delivering PE in schools, she now trains teachers and works with schools to develop their provision and ensure it achieves maximum impact for pupils. She passionately believes in the impact that PE, sport, and activity can have on children.



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# NATURE & ENVIRONMENT



# ART

## COMPETITION

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The winning entries will be printed and featured in the St Catherine's official 2025 calendar sold across our shops within Central Lancashire and online. All 12 winners will receive a free calendar showcasing their work.

### How to take part:

- 1. Create your artwork inspired by nature and the environment**, using paintings, drawings, or digital art (artwork will need to be A4 landscape in size)
- 2. Submit your art** digitally via [fundraising@stcatherines.co.uk](mailto:fundraising@stcatherines.co.uk) OR by sending via post or person to: Schools Art Competition, St Catherine's Hospice, Lostock Lane, Lostock Hall, Preston PR5 5XU

**Closing date for entries is 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024** | On all submissions, please include your name, age, school or college, artwork title, email address and phone number.

Questions? Email [fundraising@stcatherines.co.uk](mailto:fundraising@stcatherines.co.uk)

Funds from the sale of our calendar go towards supporting our specialist care.



St Catherine's  
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**Club**  
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Summer  
Holiday Club

Ages 5 - 12



**When:** Monday 29th July - Friday 23rd August

**Where:** Moss Side Primary, PR26 7ST

10am-4pm - £22

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**Add Ons:**

**8am-10am Sunrise Session £7 (inc. fruit + toast)**

**4pm-6pm Twilight Session £7 (inc. fruit + snack)**

**Lunch £4.50**

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