



Euxton Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents,

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to our first Euxton Superstars this school year:

Reception: **The Whole Class!**

Year 1: **Alfie**

Year 2: **Annabel**

Year 3: **Lily**

Year 4: **Oscar**

Year 5: **Leo**

Year 6: **Faith**

Well done to everyone!

Curriculum stickers

Please look out to see if your child comes home wearing a shiny 'well done' sticker. It is great to hear how children have been SHINING across the curriculum.

New Children

It was lovely to present our new children with their special pebble to place in our worship bowl this morning, to symbolise the start of their worship journey with us. All our Reception children, and new additions, have made an amazing start.

Musical Success

Congratulations to **Oliver Smith** for passing his recent practical music exam. He was presented with his certificate in assembly.

Girls Football Tournament



Our Year 5&6 Girls' football team played their first round of fixtures this week at Parklands High School. They won their first 3 games, 4-0, 2-0 and 1-0. Their fourth game followed a hail shower and, in spite of the cold and conceding their first goal of the evening, they managed to pull back a draw with a last-minute equaliser. The girls' strength came from their ability to work as a team and have the discipline to maintain their positions, placing huge trust in one another. This is a great start and we look forward to next week's fixtures!

Online Safety

Please find attached the September online safety newsletter which has lots of information about social media algorithms and snap chat.

Harvest Worship



Thank you to Year 6 children, Mrs MacDonald and Rev Amy for leading our Harvest worship at church. The food donations made a wonderful display at the front of church. All donations will be taken along to a local food bank to support people in the community. Thank you for your generosity. Harvest Festival at Euxton Parish Church is this Sunday at 9.15am.

Meet the teacher sessions

These sessions start from next week **9:00-9:20am**. Once you have dropped your child off, please wait on the school playground. At 9am a member of staff will invite you to make your way into your child's classroom. These sessions are for information sharing about the year ahead. Slides will be shared on class pages on the website if you are unable to attend on the day.

Wednesday 18th September – **Year 1** and **Year 2**

Thursday 19th September – **Year 3** and **Year 4**

Wednesday 25th September – **Year 5** and **Year 6**

Ms Lucas will be having the second part of her Reception Welcome meeting in the classroom on **Monday 23rd September at 5.30pm**. We hope you can join us.

PE and Earrings

Earrings need to be removed before a PE lesson. As a school we have a duty of care to ensure children are able to participate actively without unnecessarily endangering themselves or those working around them. If they can't be taken out due to being pierced recently, the child will only take part in "safe" activities. This includes activities in their own space and where there is no risk of being hit by any equipment, such as warmups. No child will miss a PE lesson but they will be asked to participate by being involved in peer coaching and observation. Please either ask your child to remove them on the morning of your child's PE day. If you're child does wear earrings to school, these need to be small studs, again to keep children safe when active around school.

Asda Rewards – Cashpot for Schools

You may have seen Joe Wicks promoting the Asda Rewards Cashpot for Schools incentive recently on television. Please encourage friends and family who shop at Asda to choose Euxton CE Primary School as their choice to receive these rewards. Please use the link below for more details. Thanks.

<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

Clubs Autumn Term 2024

As you can see we have lots of great clubs for the children to join in with. Please email Mrs Hodges to secure a place, following the instructions for each club and please do this asap and by next Wednesday 18th September. You will be notified if your child has or hasn't got a place.

| | Lunchtime | After School |
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| Monday | <u>Mindfulness for KS2</u> with Mrs Smith in the OSC room 12.30-1pm (starts 23 rd Sept – please email Mrs Hodges). | <u>Little Learners Y1 & Y2</u> with Mrs Delves (link sent out to parents) 3.30pm-4.30pm (starts 16 th September for 5 weeks). <u>Sign Club Y1 and Y2</u> with Marianne (email sent to parents) 3.30-4.30pm (starts 16 th September for 6 weeks). Club limited to 12 place – just one place left on this club – please email Mrs Hodges. |
| Tuesday | <u>Spanish Club</u> restarts lunchtime - new day with a new teacher – parents of children involved have been notified. Email sent to all parents. Restarts 17 th September. | <u>Practical PE Club for KS2 (Y3-Y6)</u> with Mrs Wiles and Mrs Oral using PE equipment in the school hall 3.30-4.30pm (starting 24 th September – please email Mrs Hodges.) |
| Wednesday | <u>Ethos (Worship) Group</u> with Ms Lucas for Y5 and Y6 <u>Eco Group</u> with Mr Astle for Y3 and Y4. <u>School Council</u> with Mr Westwell (current council Y2-Y6) Email Mrs Hodges if your child is interested in Ethos or Eco Group. These groups will all meet in the morning. | <u>KS1 (YR-Y2) Music Group</u> with Ms Lucas in YR classroom 3.30pm- 4.30pm – please email Mrs Hodges – places are limited to 10 – starts 25 th September. <u>Boys Football Y4-Y6</u> with Mr Astle 3.30-4.30pm (please email Mrs Hodges, starts 25 th September. The girls football club will start after half term. |
| Thursday | <u>Tennis with Mr Chatterley at St Mary's Y1-Y6</u> 8.45am or 3.30pm (letter sent to parents before Summer). Started 12 th September for 6 weeks. <u>Book Club</u> with Mrs Obertelli in the library for all year groups 12.30-1pm – email Mrs Hodges to join in please. | <u>Players Drama School Y1-Y6</u> New club started 12 th September for 6 weeks (flyer emailed to parents) Places still available. |
| Friday | <u>KS2 Choir</u> with Mrs Ash and Mrs Tattersall in the hall 8.15-8.45am – starting 27 th September – please email Mrs Hodges to join in. | |

First Kick Football Club

This 12-week football club takes place at Southlands High School starting 26th September – open to all ages YR-Y1 5.45-6.30pm, Y2-Y3 6.30-7.30pm and Y4-Y6 7.30-8.30pm. To book or for more information please contact Dan on 01772 428086 or 07514 316534.

PTFA members



We are still looking for a new chair and vice chair of our wonderful PTFA. Both lead meetings and steer the team towards its fundraising aims. We're looking for people who are enthusiastic, full of bright ideas and be able to co-ordinate events in a friendly manner.

Other responsibilities include:

- Facilitate meetings in a manner that encourages everyone to contribute.
- Set the date and agenda for meetings and keep the discussion on track.
- Liaise with the school about fundraising priorities.
- Welcome and motivate new volunteers.

The main thing to know is that we have a fab team, everyone contributes what they can, our events are fun and always planned with excellent school and staff support. Work is always shared around the busiest events. The whole team is currently taking responsibility for coordinating all the events and will continue to support the chair and vice-chair. Nobody will be dropped in at the deep end. If anyone wants to chat or know more about the role please let the school office know. Please do consider one of the roles, if you have capacity to do so. It would be so sad for our school family if we were unable to carry on this amazing support for school and children. Thank you!

PTFA Events

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. We are so excited to invite you to some exciting Autumn term events listed below:



Autumn Disco

The first PTFA Disco of the year, with LJ Events, is Thursday, 17th October:

- Reception, Y1 and Y2: 5.45pm-6.30pm (a parent needs to accompany their Reception child)
- Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6: 6.45pm-7.45pm

Tickets are on sale from the school office or you can send £3.50 in a named envelope with your child and tickets will be sent home with your child. Tickets are £3.50/child in advance or £4.00 on the night. Ticket price includes a drink. Tuck shop available on the night. If you can offer some time to help out please contact Helena (euxtoncofepfta@gmail.com) or the school office and we can add your name to the list of helpers. We hope to see you there!



Bag2School – Wednesday 6th November. A chance to clear out the cupboards of any unwanted clothing and raise money for school.



Break the Rules Day – Friday 8th November



Christmas Fair - Saturday 30th November -Christmas Fair 11am -1pm.



Santa Dash – Friday 13th December. Children to bring festive hats/costumes to wear for a sponsored run.

Dates Ahead

High School Open Evenings

Please see below many of the local secondary schools Open Evenings information:

Wellfield Academy – Thursday 19th September 4.30-7.30pm

Parklands High School – Wednesday 2nd October (times to be confirmed)

Bishop Rawstone Academy – Thursday 26th September 4:15-6pm or 6.30-8.30pm

Albany Academy – Thursday 26th September 5-8pmj

Balshaw's High School – Thursday 3rd October 6-9pm

Southlands – Thursday 3rd October 4.-7pm

Holy Cross – Thursday 10th October 4.30-7pm

Please check the school website before a visit as some have booking systems on there. Should any parents wish to take their child round schools during the school day then please just let us know. We fully appreciate it's a big decision and we are happy to help in any way we can.

Parent's Evening Monday 14th October (*please note new date). Appointments will start from 2.30pm onwards.

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 2025) – Thursday 31st October 2024

Primary (Reception in Sept 2025) – Wednesday 15 January 2025

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 on **Wednesday 16th October**. School is open to visitors from 9.30-11.30am with two sessions for Headteacher talks at 9.30am and 10.30am where I will share key school information and answer any questions. Please inform the school office if any prospective parents 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!

Communication via school website app

A reminder that school communications will start to be sent via our school website app (school spider) from Monday 23rd September. Please ensure you have downloaded the app by this date. A guide for parents is attached below. If you have requested a second log in, please note that the office staff are processing these at the moment and will let you know when this has been done. Thank you.

Eddie Ellison's Taekwondo Club

Eddie has been running taekwondo clubs at our school in the evenings for years. He has places available on Wednesday from 6-7pm in the school hall. First lesson free then £8 per lesson. Open to all ages. For more information Eddie can be contacted on 07952 317 485.

Nasal Flu Sprays

It is that time of year again when the health team arrange to come into school to administer the nasal flu spray to all the children in school. This year the date is **Tuesday 12th November**. Permission is needed from parents and the link is below. Please click the link or copy and paste it to your browser asap as the link is only open until Sunday 22nd September. Thank you.

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/b16fd697>

Summer Reading Challenge



Message from Kath at Euxton Library – a reminder that the Reading Heroes challenge finishes on Monday 30th September. She will bring certificates to school in October. Thank you.

Welfare Assistant

We are looking for a Lunchtime Welfare Assistant to join our school team. We are looking for someone who:

- is calm and supportive with pupils
- will develop positive relationships with adults and children
- will support children in developing social skills
- is able to help to organise and participate in playground games
- will manage behaviour in accordance with the school behaviour policy.

You will be required to supervise children in the dining hall, during the lunchtime service and in the playground organising play & supervising activities/games for the children, and providing supervision inside on rainy days.

The hours of work are from 12 to 1.30pm – initially for a Monday and Friday during term time. If you are successful you will be required to undertake a DBS check. Please contact the school office by Friday 20th September if you would be interested in this post and would like more information.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash
Headteacher

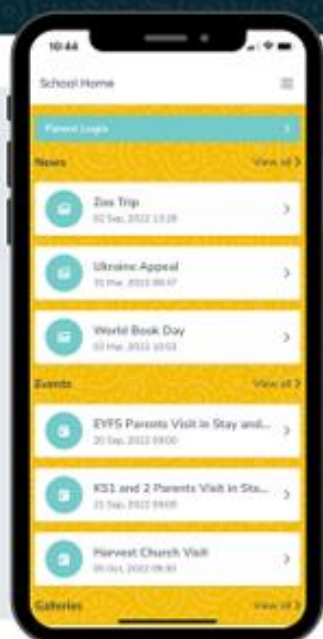
In our Christian family, we all SHINE in the light of Jesus.
Wisdom Compassion Humility Friendship Peace Trust Forgiveness Hope

Guide to our app for parents & carers



School Spider allows you to receive and return information directly to and from the school. Receive instant messages, complete surveys, book your parents' evenings and report absences.

Select your school to get started!



How to get started

Once you have selected the school, you will see posts from the school website. Click parent dashboard to login or create an account. Create an account by pressing "create account" and enter your email address.

You must have your email linked with the school!

Take a look around...

See all action items on your dashboard

Click to respond or book for each child



Click the envelope to see your recent messages

Click these 3 lines to:

- Switch between areas
- Edit your profile
- Logout

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