



Euxton Church of England Primary School



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Friday 22nd November 2024

Dear Parents,



School Council 2024-2025

Thank you so much to all the children who put themselves forward to be on our school council this year. They all did brilliantly and it is a shame that everyone can't be elected. I know that those who weren't successful will continue being wonderful ambassadors of our school. Votes are being counted and we will know the results of our new school councillors next week.

We will present our new school council with their badges on **Friday 6th December** in celebration worship. We will let parents know next week with an invitation to join the assembly.

NO PENS DAY - Wednesday 27th November

In partnership with Speech and Language UK we will be celebrating No Pens Day on Wednesday 27th November. It is a chance for children to put their pens down, talk, listen, and take part in lots of pen-free activities. **On this day we would like all children to bring something in from home to share for the biggest ever Show and Tell.** This could be a picture, a book, an article or something they have made. The list goes on. Please take some time to have a conversation with your child(ren) about what they are bringing in and why.



Children in Need

Thank you so much for all the donations received last week. We sent **£235.00** to Children in Need on your behalf.



PTFA Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair takes place next **Saturday 30th November 11am-1pm**. The PTFA are currently working hard to make sure that the fair is a wonderful experience for all families. If you are able to give up some time to help on a stall please email the PTFA euxtoncofeptfa@gmail.com. Thank you! Please do try and attend and bring family and friends. There will be a non-uniform day next **Friday 29th November** in exchange for donations of bottles and chocolate for the bottle and chocolate tombola. See the attached flyer. Thank you for your support as always.

PTFA Raffle Tickets

A book of raffle tickets for each family has come home this week. Please try to sell as many of these as you can and return the stubs and cash to the school office in a named envelope by **Friday 29th November**. Please also return any unsold tickets so that they can be sold on. A list of fabulous prizes is attached to this newsletter and the draw will take place at the end of the Christmas Fair on the 30th November. Good Luck!

PTFA Fab Bricks Keyring Orders

Please see the attached flyer for more details of this. Forms came home on Monday for orders to be made. Simply complete the order form and pop it in a named envelope with the correct cash - **£3.25** per keyring (no limit on how many you order) by the deadline of next **Friday 29th November**. For each keyring bought, our PTFA will receive £1.00 – a great way to raise funds and such lovely keyrings. The orders will come back into school and will be distributed home before end of term.

Whole School Panto

We are all going to Blackburn for our annual panto trip on 10th December – oh yes we are! If you still need to pay for this via ParentPay please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!

School Website - New Curriculum Page

Please visit the school website to see our new curriculum pages. Each subject has a new page which contains lots of important information and documents. It also celebrates the amazing enrichment opportunities we offer at our school.

Barnardo's Appeal



This year we would like to support the Barnardo's Christmas Gift Appeal again. The aim of this appeal is to make sure every child and young person in Lancashire has a gift to open on Christmas morning. To get involved, you can either bring an unwrapped gift to the school office on or by **Monday 16th December**. These gifts can be suitable for children, teenagers or young adults. As always, thank you for your generosity and thank you to **Carson in Y4** who promoted this appeal. Please see poster below and links for more information:

Blog Preston article:

<https://www.blogpreston.co.uk/2024/11/preston-christmas-toy-appeal-for-children-and-young-adults-returns-for-12th-year/>

Cotton Court website:

<https://cottoncourt.co.uk/the-cotton-court-christmas-gift-appeal-is-back-2024/>

Online Safety

Please see attached this week's online safety poster with top tips on cycling safety.

Euxton Library

A message from Kath at Euxton library: Any child that comes to Euxton Library between now and the end of November and joins the library will be entered into a draw to win a £10 Book Token. Please also let Kath know that your child attend's Euxton CE Primary School. Good Luck!

Remembering with Love Service

Remembering with love
Sunday 1st December, 4pm
Euxton Parish Church

A service of remembrance for all who have experienced bereavement either recently or long ago.

If you would like someone remembered by name then please sign the list at the back of church or contact Gail Bolton email: admin@euxtonparishchurch.org
Tel: 07587 677618

The poster features a dark background with several lit candles on the right side. At the bottom right, there is a white icon of a church with a cross on top.

Euxton Methodist Church

'Meet Santa' is taking place on Saturday 21st December from 10.30am-4.30pm at Euxton Methodist Church. £8 per child, including craft stalls and festive photo opportunities. To book a slot please contact Sarah on 0795 5380951.

Infant Nativity Tickets

The allocation of tickets has been sent home in bags this week. If you find you have spares, please hand them in at the school office. Mrs Hodges has a list of parents waiting to see if there are any spare tickets. Thank you!

Pre-Loved School Uniform

Tom and Laura Critchley continue to provide this service to school. Any unwanted uniform can be handed in to the school office who will pass it over to Tom and Laura. If you require any pre-loved items they can be contacted on the Facebook page **Euxton C of E Pre-loved Uniform**. Simply leave a message with your requirements and if they have some in stock they will be passed back to the office who will send the items to the classroom to come home with your child. There is no charge for pre-loved uniform. If you do receive some items please remember to take out any old name labels and replace with your own child's name – thank you! Thank you to Tom and Laura for providing this service.

School Holiday Dates 2025/26

Our Governors met on Monday night and approved the holiday dates for 2025/26 – attached is a copy for your reference. This will also be published on the school website.

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. The closing date for primary school applications is **Primary (Reception in Sept 2025) – Wednesday 15 January 2025.**

Wishing you all a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash
Headteacher

In our Christian family, we all **SHINE** in the light of Jesus.
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EUXTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
HOLIDAY LIST 2025/2026

AUTUMN TERM 2025

School Opens: Tuesday 2nd September 2025
Half-Term: Closes on: Thursday 23rd October 2025
Re-opens: Monday 3rd November 2025
End of Term: Friday 19th December 2025 (**finish time 1:30pm**)

SPRING TERM 2026

School Opens: Monday 5th January 2026
Half-Term: Closes on: Friday 13th February 2026
Re-opens: Monday 23rd February 2026
End of Term: Friday 27th March 2026

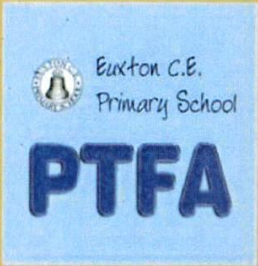
SUMMER TERM 2026

School Opens: Monday 13th April 2026
May Day Closure: Monday 4th May 2026
Half-Term: Closes on: Friday 22nd May 2026
Re-opens: Wednesday 3rd June 2026
End of Term: Friday 17th July 2026 (**finish time 1:30pm**)

INSET DAYS

Monday 1st September 2025
Friday 24th October 2025
Monday 1st June 2026
Tuesday 2nd June 2026
Monday 20th July 2026

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

TOMBOLAS, STALLS, GAMES, REFRESHMENTS,
SANTA'S GROTTO, RAFFLE

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

11AM-1PM

EUXTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA
REGISTERED CHARITY 1046492



CHRISTMAS FAIR RAFFLE PRIZES

FREE GRAZE CARPET FROM BUCKSHAW CARPETS AND FLOORING	1	SMITHILLS FARM VOUCHER	16
DEAKINS PLUMBING/BOILER SERVICE VOUCHER WORTH £300	2	TOWER OF TEMPTATION	17
BILLY BOBS PARTY VOUCHER WORTH £100	3	BOTTLE OF GORDANS GIN	18
SLEEPEE TEEPEE VOUCHER WORTH £72	4	CINEMA VOUCHER	19
WILL POWER DANCE VOUCHER - TERM ON DANCE CLASSES	5	TROPICS GIFT SET	20
SEE ME GROW 3 PHONICS LESSONS	6	JACK DANIELS WHISKY	21
BE HAPPY GIFT BOX BY THE GREY DOOR	7	HAT AND GLOVES SET	22
HUSHABYE HANDS BABY YOGA/MASSAGE	8	MARKS AND SPENCERS HAMPER SPONSERED BY S & S NORTHERN	23
MUSICAL MISCHIEF 1 TERM CLASSES	9	JACK DANIELS WHISKY	24
SPLASH SWIMMING VOUCHERS	10	MOLTON BROWN EAU DE TOILETTE	25
LAVENDER BARN VOUCHER	11	BOTTLE OF MARKS AND SPENCERS PROSECCO	26
WINE AND CHEESE HAMPER	12	GLENFARCLAS WHISKY	27
EAT CAKE GET FAT - 6 CUPCAKE VOUCHER	13	WINE AND CHEESE HAMPER	28
MINDFUL BEAUTY VOUCHER	14	THATS MINE - KING CHARLES TEDDY	29
TROPICS GIFT SET	15	DAY GUEST PASS FOR DAVID LLOYD X 2	30



CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

MAKE A YOUNG PERSON SMILE THIS CHRISTMAS!



DONATE IN PERSON OR SEND US A GIFT!

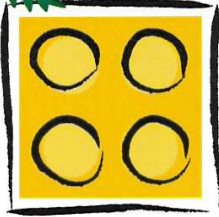
COTTON COURT, CHURCH STREET, PRESTON, PR1 3BY

SCAN
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MORE
DETAILS



Believe in
children
Barnardo's





Fab Bricks

Order a discounted personalised LEGO® brick keyring / bag-tag through your school & raise funds at the same time!

We're delighted to offer you a great deal on our personalised LEGO® brick keyrings, whilst helping your school, nursery or preschool PFA/PTA raise valuable funds.

Order through your school for just £3.25 each, that's a discount of 50p off the normal price of £3.75 and for each one you buy, your school receives £1.00!



Order in three easy steps:

1. Pick your colour
2. Pick your font
3. Write the text you would like

We'll then send your personalised keyring, to your school, after the date on the label for the school to give out to your kids.













Please return your completed forms into the school office with the correct cash by **Friday 29th October 2024**
Order as many as you like!

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If you would like to order more than one, just write the name, colour & font on the back of this slip.

Select keyring colour:

- | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|
|  Blue <input type="checkbox"/> |  Orange <input type="checkbox"/> |  Red <input type="checkbox"/> |  Green <input type="checkbox"/> |
|  Black <input type="checkbox"/> |  Purple <input type="checkbox"/> |  Pink <input type="checkbox"/> |  White <input type="checkbox"/> |
|  Azure <input type="checkbox"/> |  Lavender <input type="checkbox"/> |  Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> |  Lime <input type="checkbox"/> |

Select font:

- Marshmallow** Komika Angelina Painter Sketch

Name: _____ Class: _____

Text for brick: _____

(15 Characters max! Please write exactly how you would like it to appear.)

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

TEACHING CYCLE SAFETY

Cycling is an amazing way to spend quality time together as a family, as well as keeping everyone healthy and active – and it's an excellent exercise, whatever the age of your children. Getting started can sometimes be daunting, and there are obvious safety concerns over youngsters who are still getting used to a bike – so follow our top tips to help you ride with confidence.

1 CONSIDER CYCLE TRAINING

Courses like Bikeability are extremely useful, and training in general has come a long way since cycling proficiency began; there are Bikeability courses for adults, too. Cycle training teaches invaluable skills (such as good road positioning, signaling and visibility), and can help both parents and children feel more at ease on busy streets.

2 USE A SUITABLE BIKE

Find a bike of an appropriate size for its rider and resist the temptation to have children 'grow into' theirs by buying one too large for them. A bigger bike will be heavier and more difficult to control, making accidents more likely and potentially putting youngsters off cycling forever. If your child has any specific physical needs, or has dyspraxia, then try out a trike, handcycle or other adaptive cycle to see what works best.

3 TRY A CARGO BIKE

Cargo bikes, particularly the box-bike style, are ideal for transporting small children around. Depending on the type of bike chosen – as well as the size and age of the children – it can be possible to transport up to four little ones in this way, with additional space for other cargo as well.

4 INSPECT YOUR CYCLE

It's a good idea to do some routine checks on any bike before going for a ride to make sure everything's working correctly. The 'M check' is particularly useful: assessing the condition and position of the bike's wheels, handlebars, brakes, pedals, chain and saddle, working from front to back. Online tutorial videos can also teach you how to carry out basic repairs if needed. For more complicated fixes, head to your local bike shop.

5 BRING SUITABLE GEAR

Ensure whatever you're wearing, and any attachments for your bike, are suitable for the ride. A waterproof jacket will let you cycle safely in almost any weather. Make sure any helmets are fitted correctly. If you're riding after dark, remember to fit your bikes with a white front light, a red rear light and a red rear reflector. These are required by law.

6 STICK TO FLAT TERRAIN

Take a smooth, flat route if possible, so it's more suitable for younger cyclists. You might be surprised by how many quiet roads or back streets there may be in your area. Don't be put off by an indirect but easier path as opposed to a shorter, busier one. Look out for the National Cycle Network, canal towpaths and even parks that you can cut through.

7 STAY ALERT AND IN SAFE FORMATIONS

For maximum protection and visibility, ride in a line with children in the middle and adults at either end. If you're the only adult present, take up a position at the rear to ensure all children remain in your sight. Don't be tempted to hug the kerb if cycling on the road – riding approximately a metre out will make you more noticeable to other road users, and you'll also stay clear of any debris in the gutter.

8 AVOID PARKED CARS

When riding past parked cars, try to stay at least a metre away, just in case anyone inside opens a door unexpectedly or the vehicle itself starts to move. This precaution will also deter anyone driving behind from trying to squeeze past you when there isn't enough space, so don't be afraid to ride in a prominent position.

9 START A 'BIKE BUS'

Cycling to school with other families is a potentially fun experience – one which comes with the added benefit of safety in numbers, in case anything goes wrong along the way. Team up with other parents, carers and educators and pick a day to cycle to school together. Who knows – maybe, in time, you'll have other folks asking to join you?

10 HAVE FUN!

Keep in mind that cycling should be fun! A good bike ride can be really enjoyable for adults and children alike, while also being a superb form of exercise. Ease children into the hobby by starting them off with shorter journeys – such as a trip to the park – and build them up to longer, more complicated outings. Some children may get bored on a longer ride, so try to keep a conversation going with them.

Meet Our Expert

Sophie Gordon is the campaigns manager at Cycling UK, a charity which inspires and enables people to start cycling. She has spent six years campaigning for safer roads and more protected cycle paths, while supporting communities to call for better cycling conditions where they live.

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