



# Euxton Church of England Primary School



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Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parents,

## **Euxton Superstars!**

Congratulations to our Euxton Superstars this week!

**Reception: Benjamin Fooks**

**Year 1: Evelyn Kearney**

**Year 2: Aidan Johnson**

**Year 3: Thomas Kemsley**

**Year 4: Lily Sacco**

**Year 5: Freya Melling**

**Year 6: Megan Eyles**

**Well done to you all!**

## **Bronze Awards**

Congratulations to our Bronze Award winners. **Kian Barlow, Thomas McCabe, Grace Draycott, Gabriella Clemson, Alfie Coates, Aidan Johnson, Louis Crake, Michael Stringfellow, Evie Tattersall, Paige Ainsworth, Daniel Pilkington, James Kearney, Sam Bottoms, Jenna Baumber, Jonathan Ball, Eleanor Ford, Emma Cayzer, Alex Todd, Eve Chadwick and Joseph Gallacher** were all presented with their certificates this morning.

**There will be no Celebration Worship on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November as we are all off to the cinema!**

## **Swimming Stars**

Well done to Olivia Richmond and Hannah Rigby who were given 'School Swimming Star' certificates at their lessons at Tarleton yesterday!

## **PTFA News**

Thank you to those who were able to come along to our AGM and PTFA meeting this week, we have a fantastic team and it was lovely to welcome some new members too. Our PTFA 'post holders' for the coming year are as follows; however you are all very welcome to come along to any meeting:

**Chair: Laura Richards**

**Vice Chair: Kath Turner**

**Treasurer: Becky Edge**

**Secretary: Alison Tattersall**

A big 'thank you' to our PTFA, they really do make such a contribution to our children's experiences. We have already had a discussion about the main focus of our fundraising this year which will be improving IT provision. We will be starting with renewing some of the interactive whiteboards in classrooms and then looking at class sets of tablets. Another project which we will be working towards is the creation of a sensory garden in the school grounds, which will be able to be used for reflection, peaceful times, etc. I am very excited about these developments and am very grateful for the amazing support we receive.

### Advance Notice - Non-Uniform Days

Our Christmas Fair will be held from 11am-1pm on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December and we will be having non-uniform days the two Friday's beforehand. On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November we will be asking for donations of chocolate and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December for bottles. Please keep hold of any unwanted DVD's, books etc as we would love those bringing in too. Children in Need (Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov) will probably end up being a non-uniform day too, however like last year it will be simply to highlight the cause and an opportunity for you to make a donation through school if you were planning on doing so anyway and certainly is not a requirement. More information about all of these will be in future newsletters. Thank you so much in advance for your support.

### School Dinners

New menus for the Autumn were sent home earlier this week. When we return to school the children will enjoy 'week 1' from these new menus. If your child doesn't currently take a school dinner and would like to, please speak to the ladies in the office who will arrange this for you. School dinners cost £2.20 per day for our junior children. The infants continue to receive them free of charge.

### Chorley Council Get up and Go School Holiday Programme

Many activities are available for children during the half-term holiday, many of them free of charge. Please refer to their website [chorley.gov.uk/getupandgo](http://chorley.gov.uk/getupandgo) for more information.

### Paige and Zac

We are so sorry to be saying goodbye to Paige and Zac Ainsworth after half-term. They are with us the first week back and we will be saying goodbye to them in our worship on the Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November, which you are all welcome to attend. Paige and Zac (along with their Mum and Dad!) are moving to New Zealand so I totally understand a commute isn't possible! On behalf of us all we wish them all the very best and am sure with technology the way it is we can keep in touch and continue our relationship with them all. Take care!

### Whole School Cinema Trip

We are all off to the cinema on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November to see The Emoji Movie. **As mentioned in the original letter, we will be leaving school around 8:45am, so are asking children to come to school at 8:30am.** Unfortunately, we will be unable to wait for any latecomers and will be leaving school as soon as the registers have been completed. I am sure they will all have a lovely time.

### Poppy Appeal

We will continue to sell poppies after half term. We only have the poppy reflectors left in the goody box on sale for 50p and they will be available to buy at break times. We would suggest a minimum donation of 20p for a poppy. Thank you for your support with this wonderful appeal.

### Euxton Factor Auditions

Thank you to all the acts who participated in the 'Euxton Factor' auditions on Wednesday. It was wonderful that so many children were brave enough to put themselves forward and perform in front of myself, Miss James and the School Council. We would love to have been able to take everyone through to the final but unfortunately we couldn't, although we do have a record breaking 14 acts going through, due to the sheer talent of our children! The final will be held on the afternoon of **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November** (not Friday as previously thought, sorry) and the families of our finalists are invited. I know there will be some disappointed children, but I want to assure you all that the whole audition process was handled in a very positive way. Congratulations to everyone who took part!

### **Fencing**

There are still a few places left for our junior children. Please return the Fencing session booking forms to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November. This club is for our junior children and commences on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November until 7<sup>th</sup> December (5 weeks). Thank you.

### **Farewell Mrs Ivanis**

We are saying 'goodbye' to Mrs Ivanis today, and wish her the very best as she leaves us to take up her position at Busy Bodies. Mrs Ivanis has done a multitude of roles in school and although we will all miss having her in school each day, we know we will still see her all the time. Thank you Natalie for all your hard work.

### **Girls Football**

This club will continue at least for the first week back (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3.30pm).

### **Hi 5's Success!**

Congratulations to our Hi 5's team, Alex Ainscough, Megan Ainscough, Mollie Briscoe, Caitlin Hodgson, Scott Evans, Lily Schofield and Elizabeth Clewlow. They competed in games at Albany Academy on Wednesday and were victorious in all their matches, beating St. Georges 3-1, St James' 6-1 and Buckshaw 6-2. This takes the team through to the finals in April next year. A big 'thank you' to Mrs Miller for all her hard work with the team.

### **PTFA Lucky Numbers Winner**

Mr and Mrs Crake (Louis' parents) won October's draw of £20.00. Congratulations!

### **Shoe Box Appeal 2017**

Thank you to those families who have already taken a box home to fill. It isn't too late to order a box when we come back to school after half term, simply return the green letter to the school office and a box and instructions will be sent home with your child. We would like all filled boxes to be returned to school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November. We will then arrange for Mr Meadley to return to school to collect them all ready to be sent away for Christmas. Thank you.

### **Individual/sibling photographs**

All your orders have been sent to Adam for printing and will be ready for when we return to school after the half term break.

### **High School Application deadline**

The last date for applying for your year 6 child's high school place for September 2018 is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October via [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools). Please remember to hand in the supplementary faith form to any faith school you apply to.

### **Primary School Application deadline**

The final date for applying for a primary school place for September 2018 is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Please remember to hand in the supplementary faith form to any faith school you apply to.

### **St. Mary's Church car park**

We are very fortunate to also have use of this car park, but unfortunately, there have been further reports of dangerous speeds, including when reversing, and inconsiderate parking. Please take care, the last thing anyone would want is an accident. The vast majority of you do, thank you for your support.

**Happy half-term!**

I would like to wish you all a lovely half-term break. Thank you so much for all the support you continue to give us all.

**And Finally....**

Thank you to Grace Kendall from Year 3 for our joke this week:

**Q. Where do old crocodiles sleep?**

**A. In a croc-ing chair!**

Thank you Grace, a great joke! Please send your jokes in - **I need lots 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