



Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16

Friday 31st January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, Jeanette Howe led a worship on Tuesday on our Value of Respect thinking about how footballers show respect to others.

Ahead of World Book Day, which we are celebrating on Thursday 6th March, public libraries are hosting their highly successful Fancy Dress Swaps again this year from 1st February. Using the scheme could not be easier: donate any unwanted costumes to the library or see what outfits they have and take them for no charge, it's that simple. Participating libraries are Barnton, Frodsham, Hope Farm, Lache, Little Sutton, Neston, Northwich, Sandiway, Weaverham, Wharton and Winsford. And why not use the opportunity to borrow a book or join the library while you're there? Joining a child is free and easy and does not require ID. There are no late charges for Under 13s. We will be celebrating in school by having a book-themed day with different activities and of course a book swap where children can bring a book in and swap it for another one within their class. Children are welcome to dress up as their favourite book character (please bring a copy of the book with them to share) and/or create a Book in a Box where they can decorate a shoe box to represent their favourite book.

Jamie Carpenter PCSO will be back in school on Wednesday 5th February to work with the Junior Safety Officers in Year 6 using the speed gun to gauge speeds coming into the village. This information will then be shared with Lee Hobby from the village parish to support their application for a deceleration zone before school on Eaton Road.

Squirrels will be starting the Archbishop Young Leaders Award which is aimed at building pupils' leadership skills and character; growing confidence, teamwork, resilience and care for others; and empowering pupils to serve their communities. Please click

<https://www.archbishopofyorkyouthtrust.co.uk/young-leaders-award> for more information.

Great news! The drainage works on the field (to prevent further flooding) are due to commence in March and the car park will be resurfaced at this time also. We will let you know if there will be any disruptions during these works closer to the time.

Friday 7th February sees us celebrating Wear Your SCARF Day as a symbol of support for children's mental wellbeing. The values of SCARF - Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship will be celebrated throughout the day. We're looking forward to seeing the different colours and designs that children choose for their scarf on that day.

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We are starting our new Pathways to Spell on Monday and Pathways to Read after half term. The PTA have very kindly agreed to fund some of the books we need but we were hoping that parents would be able to help us buy additional copies for the children where a half class set would be beneficial. Please see the Amazon Wish List links below. There is no expectation for you to purchase a book but we would be very grateful if you did. These are the books that children will need for the rest of the year, not just next half term.

Rabbits Book List Feb 2025

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1I897FJMQMWUF?ref=wl_share

Squirrels Book List Feb 2025

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/35M25S6ATS4W7?ref=wl_share

Badgers Book List Feb 2025

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2BE352IVA61LA?ref=wl_share

Foxes Book List Feb 2025

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1PU19GF7UT0QS?ref=wl_share

Unfortunately, we have rodents at the moment so children are being asked to have their snack inside before going out to play. This is in an effort to ensure there is no food tempting them outside. Children are having an extra 5 minutes of play to accommodate this currently. Measures are in place and pest control are back next week.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come and talk to me.

Best regards,

Kathryn Rees-Wright

Headteacher

Next week's Bible Quote

Show proper respect to everyone. 1 Peter 2.17

Vision

At Eccleston C of E Primary School, we believe that every child is known and loved by God and is made in the image of God. We are united in our vision of every child fulfilling their God-given potential as they are nurtured to reflect the example Jesus set in all they do.

We aim to achieve this through instilling a life-long love of learning and development that is rooted in Christian Values. We strive for excellence in all we do enabling all members of our school to flourish.

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Our Values

Thankfulness ~ Love ~ **Respect** ~ Forgiveness ~ Perseverance ~ Kindness

Dates

Friday 7th February - Wear Your SCARF Day as a symbol of support for children's mental wellbeing, while celebrating the values of SCARF - Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship.

Tuesday 11th February – Y5 at Queens Park High School watching their Production of Ghost – more details to follow this is a free event including transport.

Wednesday 12th February at 2.00pm – Pulford and Poulton Local History Group competition launch with a talk from Dr. Kevin Cootes on his Archaeological Dig at Poulton.

Thursday 13th February – Valentine Disco 3.15pm – 4.45pm

Friday 14th February – Rabbit parents stay and play – more information to follow.

Monday 17th Feb – Friday 21st Feb Half Term

Wednesday 26th February – 10am-2pm Year 5/6 Xplore Count on Nature Day at Northop – details to follow.

Wednesday 5th March – Collective Worship at St Mary's lead by Rev'd Torr Ash Wednesday

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day – Book swap

Thursday 13th March PTA Online Meeting – all welcome

Thursday 20th to Wednesday 26th March – Scholastic Book Fair – World Book Day Tokens accepted

Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day – come to school in Red

Friday 21st March – World Down Syndrome Day – gingerbread socks for £1

Week Beginning 24th March – Parents Evening

Friday 28th March – Closing date for Pulford and Poulton Local History Group competition

Thursday 3rd April – Hospice of the Good Shepherd Bunny Hop

Friday 4th April - Easter Eggstravaganza – Easter bonnet and garden competition and Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 4th April 1.30pm - Easter Service in St Mary's Church Eccleston

7th April – 21st April Easter Holiday

22nd April - Children return to school

Wednesday 23rd April - Pulford and Poulton Local History Group competition presentation

Tuesday May 6th - Collective Worship at St Mary's lead by Rev'd Torr

Wednesday 7th May - Badgers Anglo Saxon Workshop at Tattenhall – more details to follow

Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May Year 6 SATS assessments

Tuesday 20th May - Jeanette Howe in leading Worship

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Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May – May Half Term

Monday 2nd June - INSET Day

Tuesday 3rd June – Children return to school

Wednesday 11th June – Sports Day

Tuesday 17th June - Collective Worship at St Mary's lead by Rev'd Torr

Tuesday 24th June - Jeanette Howe in leading Worship

Wednesday 25th June – Sports Day Reserve

Tuesday 22nd July – Last Day and Y6 Leavers' Service lead by Rev'd Torr