



## Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

*"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16*

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we end this half term, I am pleased to reflect on the experiences our pupils have enjoyed.

The Year 5s were treated to a superb production of "Ghost" by the talented pupils of Queens Park High School. It was a great chance for them to engage with the arts and enjoy some culture!

We were honoured to welcome the Pulford & Poulton Local History Group to our school, who launched an exciting history competition. This initiative offers our pupils the chance to win a £25 book voucher by submitting entries in various categories, including articles, poems, and artwork centred on local history. The competition is divided into two age groups: 5 to 8 years and 9 to 11 years. Entries are due by 28th March, with the prize-giving ceremony scheduled for 23rd April.

Complementing this historical focus, Dr Kevin Cootes delivered an engaging talk on the Poulton Archaeology dig. Our pupils had the unique opportunity to handle authentic artefacts and conceptualise historical timelines through a string activity!

A massive 'Thank You' to our dedicated PTA for organising a superb Valentine's disco. The event's success is a testament to the invaluable support of our parent volunteers, whose efforts created a memorable experience for our pupils. We are indeed fortunate to have such an active and committed PTA.

Looking ahead, we have several exciting events on the horizon. The Rabbits class will embark on a trip to the Lowry Museum in Manchester on 25th February for an art workshop.

Years 5 and 6 will participate in a Free Count on Nature Day at Xplore! in Northop on 26th February.

Ioan Said has kindly agreed to update our school website photographs on 27th and 28th March, adhering strictly to parental photography preferences.

**I am pleased to announce that between 10th and 21st March, we will be undertaking flood protection work and addressing the car park's condition. I will provide specific dates for any potential alterations to collection procedures once specific days have been confirmed.**

In the summer term, we will trial a new approach to swimming lessons, with the entire Badgers class and non 25m swimmers from Foxes attending sessions at City Baths for six weeks.

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We're committed to encouraging a love of reading, and I want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who have contributed to our school library through the Amazon Wishlist. Your support means a lot, and I invite anyone else who wants to help to check out the links.

Rabbits Book List Feb 2025

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1I897FJMQMWUF?ref=wl\\_share](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](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](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](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1PU19GF7UT0QS?ref=wl_share)

As we approach the half-term break, I extend my sincere appreciation for your continued support of our school community. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come and talk to me. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable holiday.

Best regards,

Kathryn Rees-Wright

Headteacher

## Dates

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

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine Disco 3.15pm – 4.45pm

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Rabbit parents stay and play – more information to follow.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb Half Term

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

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

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day – Book swap

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March PTA Online Meeting – all welcome

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Scholastic Book Fair – World Book Day Tokens accepted

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Red Nose Day – come to school in Red

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – World Downs Syndrome Day – gingerbread socks for £1

Week Beginning 24<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evening

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Closing date for Pulford and Poulton Local History Group competition

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Hospice of the Good Shepherd Bunny Hop

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Eggstravaganza – Easter bonnet and garden competition and Easter Egg Hunt

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

7<sup>th</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Holiday

22<sup>nd</sup> April - Children return to school

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Pulford and Poulton Local History Group competition presentation

Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> - Collective Worship at St Mary's lead by Rev'd Torr

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

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 SATS assessments

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Jeanette Howe in leading Worship

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> 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

Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Parents Evening

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Tuesday 24th June - Jeanette Howe in leading Worship  
Wednesday 25th June – Sports Day Reserve

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