



## **Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School**

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

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **History Competition Closed!**

The History Competition is now closed. We will be in touch with further details soon!

### **Worship and Reflection**

We were delighted to welcome Rev'd Steve Torr on Tuesday, who led our worship and encouraged us to reflect on our school value of Kindness. On Wednesday, Ken from Bromborough Gospel Mission joined us to lead worship, sharing an engaging and inspiring message with the children.

### **Preparing for High School**

This week, we have welcomed three different groups of high school staff into school to meet with our Year 6 pupils ahead of their transition days. These visits are an important part of helping our children feel confident and excited about the next stage of their education.

### **Rounders Success**

On Tuesday, Mr Christmas accompanied a team of children from Eccleston to a rounders event at Bishop Heber. The team represented the school brilliantly, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship throughout the competition. We are very proud of their attitude and conduct.

### **Fishing Adventures**

Eight children attended a fishing event at Waverton this week and enjoyed a fantastic day outdoors with Mr Christmas. One child had a particularly memorable experience, managing to catch not only a fish but also an eel!

### **Post-Ofsted Meeting**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Post-Ofsted meeting in the school hall last night. Chris Penn (Diocesan Director of Education), Alex Kozyra (School Intervention Coordinator), Nicky Dowling (Associate School Improvement Advisor), Nayland Southorn, Rob Hughes, Rev'd Steve Torr and Katherine Davies (Governors), together with Kathryn Rees-Wright, Alex Evans and Emma White (staff), were available for a Q&A session to address any questions or concerns.

Please find attached the additional information that was shared with parents during the evening.

### **Continuing the Conversation**

Mr Southorn and I are exploring the possibility of organising a coffee afternoon for parents. This would provide an opportunity for honest feedback about what is working well and where we can

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continue to improve, helping to maintain the open and constructive dialogue that began at last night's meeting.

### **Badgers Swimming**

Badgers Class continue to enjoy their swimming lessons at Christleton. They have been keen to tell us that both the pool and the changing facilities are much nicer, and they are making the most of the experience!

### **Nursery Visits**

Mrs Evans has begun visiting the nursery settings of the children who will attend Eccleston in Reception in September. This is to put a face to a name and ensure a smooth transition to school.

### **Reading Volunteers**

We are currently seeking Reading Volunteers to support our children in school. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in the classroom, help build pupils' confidence, and share in their enjoyment of reading. Full guidance and support will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Mrs Evans at [aeans@ecclestonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:aeans@ecclestonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk) or speak to her in person.

**Please remember to update us if your contact information changes. Our Attendance policy and exceptional leave of absence request form are all available on the school website.**

### **NO NUTs school**

Just a reminder that due to allergies we are a NO NUTs school. This includes **all types of tree and ground nuts as well as sesame seeds**. If your child accidentally brings in a product containing nuts, we will keep it safe and give it back to you at the end of the day. We will offer them a school snack as an alternative for that day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Rees-Wright

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**Each week, Mrs White will share information about a service or charity that may be helpful for parents of children with additional needs.**

'Contact' for families of children with additional needs- offer a free helpline, in-person support email newsletters with updates and the 'Fledglings Shop' which offers toys, clothing and sensory products to support children. <https://contact.org.uk/>

### **Staff Training**

**Each week, we'll share the training our staff have taken part in to help them better support the children and grow as experts in their field.**

Mrs Haslam has attended an Early Years Best Practice Network Meeting looking at developing practice in Rabbits class and has attended the ELSA supervision session for this term.

Mr Christmas, Mrs White and Mrs Frank have attended Highfield in Blacon looking at their behaviour expectations, support for children with additional needs and planning.

Mrs Frank, Mrs Willson and Mrs White worked with a Specialist Subject Lead for English to plan their English units looking carefully at how to meet the needs of all learners in the class.

### **Forest School**

19<sup>th</sup> June – Foxes

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Badgers

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Squirrels

10<sup>th</sup> July - Rabbits

17<sup>th</sup> July – Foxes

## Dates

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – School Sports Week

Monday – Lucy from Kixx – performance to parents at 3pm on playground

Tuesday – Orienteering and Year 6 Ply Leaders taking a sports session with each class

Wednesday - Sports Day 1.30pm – Parents Invited

Thursday – Matt Fiddes Martial Arts session for whole school

Friday – Intra School Sports Competition organised by Sports Ambassadors

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 1.30pm – Sports Day

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 10.45 am Church Garden Messy Church

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Residential to Min y Don

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Gold session for Year 1 at Westminster Park**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2-8.30pm Amazing We Rise at Chester Cathedral

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June; 8.50am - 3.10pm Queens Park High School Year 6 Taster / Induction Day

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Transition morning – children move up to new class  
(Change of Date due to residentials and Y6 cathedral leavers service)

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Reserve Sports Day

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 2.30pm – Foxes Class Assembly for Parents

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Service at Chester Cathedral (Year 6 only)

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – New Reception Starters

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Rabbits and Foxes Boat trip to Chester

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Squirrels Residential to Petty Pool

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July Badgers Residential to Waddow Hall

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 visit to Overleigh to watch Snap Trap (online safety play)

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – New Reception Starters afternoon and Parents' Meeting at 6pm

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – 5-6.45 campfire and pizza night for Rabbits**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 10.45 am Church Garden Messy Church

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day. 1.30pm Leavers and end of Year Service in Church

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August Church Garden Picnic 10.45am Eccleston Messy Church

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026 - INSET DAY

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Children return