



Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16

Friday 3rd July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Reception 2027 Open Days

Do you know a family looking for a Reception place in September 2027? Please help us spread the word about our upcoming Open Days! Families are warmly invited to come along, meet our staff, tour the school and see what makes our school such a special place to learn.

Our Open Days will take place on:

- Saturday 26th September – 10.00am–11.30am
- Wednesday 14th October – 1.30pm–2.30pm
- Saturday 14th November – 10.00am–11.30am

Please share these dates with friends, family and neighbours who may be interested.

Coffee and a Chat with the Headteacher and Chair of Governors

We would like to invite parents and carers to join the Headteacher and our Chair of Governors, Nayland Southorn, for a Coffee and a Chat on Friday 10th July at 2.45pm in the staff room.

This is an opportunity to share your thoughts about what you feel the school does well and any areas where we could continue to develop to support our children and families. We value your feedback and would love to see as many of you there as possible. Refreshments will be provided.

A Wonderful We Rise Performance

On Monday evening, our Year 4 and Year 5 children took part in the We Rise performance at Chester Cathedral, and what an incredible evening it was! The children worked extremely hard throughout the afternoon rehearsing the songs and dances before performing to parents in the evening.

We were especially proud of our talented soloists, who performed with confidence and enthusiasm. Every child should be incredibly proud of their efforts and the fantastic performance they gave. Well done to everyone involved!

Transition Days

This week has been full of exciting new beginnings. Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed transition mornings at their new high schools, taking the next step in their educational journey.

Meanwhile, here at Eccleston, we held two transition mornings where children spent time with their new teachers and classmates, getting to know each other and beginning to build strong relationships for September.

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Head Teacher: Mrs K Rees-Wright

A Warm Welcome to Our New Reception Children

On Wednesday afternoon, we were delighted to welcome our new Reception starters into school. The children had a wonderful afternoon exploring their new environment, making new friends and enjoying a range of activities. They were all incredibly confident and settled beautifully.

Next week, they will be joining their Year 5 buddies for a Teddy Bears' Picnic, which is always a lovely opportunity to begin building friendships before they start school in September.

Year 6 Shine in Their Maya Production

This afternoon, our Year 6 children performed their Maya-themed play to parents, and it was a fantastic success. Considering they had only a short time to rehearse following their residential visit, they delivered a confident and entertaining performance that showcased all of their hard work. They will be performing the play again for the rest of the school on Monday, and we know the audience is in for a real treat.

Looking Ahead

There is another busy and exciting week ahead! We have football tournaments taking place on Wednesday, Year 6 visiting the Cathedral on Tuesday morning, the Teddy Bears' Picnic for our new Reception children and their Year 5 buddies, judging of the History Competition on Wednesday afternoon, and our Squirrels heading off to Petty Pool for their residential on Thursday and Friday. We also look forward to welcoming parents to our Coffee and a Chat session on Friday afternoon. As always, there is lots happening across school, and we are looking forward to another fantastic week together!

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 ae Evans@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

SENDCO Section sendco@ecclestonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk

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

Sendiass - A Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice and Support Service for parents & carers of children and young people with SEND. <https://www.sendiass.org/>

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.

Teaching Assistants engaged with some behaviour training on Wednesday looking at consistency and preventing escalation.

Teachers attended the Pathways training on Wednesday looking at the new planning for writing and interventions from September which looks brilliant!

Forest School

10th July - Rabbits

17th July – Foxes

Dates

Tuesday 7th July – Year 6 Leavers Service at Chester Cathedral (Year 6 only)

Wednesday 8th July – New Reception Starters

Thursday 9th July – Rabbits and Foxes Boat trip to Chester

Thursday 9th and Friday 10th July – Squirrels Residential to Petty Pool

Monday 13th – Wednesday 15th July Badgers Residential to Waddow Hall

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

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

Friday 17th July – 5-6.45 campfire and pizza night for Rabbits

Sunday 19th July 10.45 am Church Garden Messy Church

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

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Sunday 16th August Church Garden Picnic 10.45am Eccleston Messy Church

Tuesday 1st September 2026 - INSET DAY

Wednesday 2nd September – Children return

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