



Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16

Friday 17th 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.

New Reception Starters

On Wednesday, we welcomed our new Reception starters for their third visit before they officially join us in September. We also held a meeting after school to discuss starting at Eccleston and to provide parents with further information. Thank you to Jade and Rebecca for coming along to speak to our new parents and help them feel welcome.

History Competition Awards

Yesterday, members of the Poulton and Pulford History Group - Mr John, Mr Nethercott and Mr Southorn, our Chair of Governors - visited school to present awards to the winners and runners-up of their competition. Every child who entered also received a certificate. Thank you to all the children who submitted such wonderful written, artistic and poetry entries. Congratulations to all our winners and runners-up!

Badgers' Residential at Waddow Hall

This week, Badgers travelled to Waddow Hall in Clitheroe for their residential, where it was thankfully a little cooler than it was at school! They had an amazing time making special memories with their friends while taking part in raft building, tree climbing, crate stacking, archery and many more exciting activities.

Year 6 Online Safety Visit

Year 6 visited Overleigh St Mary's to watch a play about online safety. The performance helped the children to explore important messages about staying safe, responsible and respectful when using the internet.

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Our Final Week

Next week is our final week of the school year. We will be holding our Beach Party Lunch on Tuesday, followed by the Year 6 Leavers' Service at church on Wednesday at 1.30pm. Families attending the service are asked to park in the school car park and walk to the church. You are welcome to collect your children from school following the service. Please also note that there will be no Play Smart session on the final day of term, Wednesday 22nd July.

Year 6 SATs Results

We are incredibly proud of all our Year 6 children for the determination they have shown and the progress they have made throughout the year. They worked exceptionally hard and approached their assessments with maturity and resilience. The results were delayed due to issues at Pearson and were only released yesterday, but we are delighted to share them with you:

Subject	Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard		Average scaled score	
	School	Nationally ¹	School ²	Nationally ³
Reading	94%	75%	107	106
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	81%	74%	106	105
Maths	88%	75%	106	105
Writing	81%	73%	N/A	N/A
Science	94%	82%	N/A	N/A

Staffing Update

At the end of this term, Mrs Pugh will be retiring, Mrs Haslam will be moving on to work in a specialist teaching assistant role, and Miss Jones will be beginning a new role as a teacher. We wish them all the very best for their next chapters. These changes mean that we will be interviewing and appointing a new teaching assistant next week. We have also secured training to enable a new member of staff to become an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA). I will share further details about what this provision will look like, and when sessions will resume, in September.

Rabbits' Campfire and Pizza Night

Tonight, the Rabbits class will be enjoying their Campfire and Pizza Night. We hope they have a fantastic evening spending time together, enjoying their pizza and making special memories around the campfire.

Improving Our Outdoor Provision

On Wednesday, Vic and Charlotte from Highfield, along with our three work-experience students, worked incredibly hard with me to improve our outdoor provision. They helped to declutter, organise

and reset the area in preparation for September. A huge thank you to them all for their time, energy and support - their hard work has made a real difference.

Meet the Teacher

We would like to invite parents and carers to a Meet the Teacher session at 3.15pm on the first day back in September – Wednesday 2nd. This will be an opportunity to visit your child's new classroom and learn more about the routines, trips, homework and expectations for the year ahead. We look forward to welcoming you.

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 aevens@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.

Please click on the link below for information about Cheshire West and Chester's SEND Summer Sessions.

https://www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Information/SEND_Summer_Sessions

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.

Kara (our Specialist Subject Lead) has been in to work with staff looking at planning for the Autumn term.

Beckie from the Early Years team has been in to support Mrs Rees-Wright with planning and our continuous provision.

TAs worked with Mrs White yesterday to ensure a smooth transition for children for September.

Cerri from Weaver Trust has been in working with Mrs Rees-Wright on our long term planning so that we are able to tailor it more effectively to our individual pupils.

Forest School

17th July – Foxes

4th September – Foxes

11th September – Badgers

18th September – Squirrels

Wednesday 23rd September – Rabbits

2nd October – Foxes

9th October – Badgers

16th October – Squirrels

Wednesday 21st October – Rabbits

6th November – Foxes

13th November – Badgers

20th November – Squirrels

27th November – Rabbits

4th December – Foxes

11th December – Badgers

Wednesday 16th December Squirrels

8th January 2027 - Rabbits

Dates

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

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

Tuesday 1st September 2026 - INSET DAY

Wednesday 2nd September – Children return

Wednesday 16th September – IEP meetings with Teachers for those children with SEND.

Friday 18th September – Flu vaccinations

Wednesday 23rd September – Jeanette Howe in leading worship

Friday 25th September – INSET Day – school closed to children.

Saturday 26th September 10-11.30 - Open Days for Reception 2027 starters

Wednesday 14th October 1.30-2.30 - Open Days for Reception 2027 starters

Friday 23rd October 1.30pm – Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church, Eccleston

Wednesday 11th November 12.30-2.45 Year 6 Crucial Crew Child Safety Event

Saturday 14th November 10-11.30am - Open Days for Reception 2027 starters