



Euxton Church of England Primary School

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In our Christian family, we all **SHINE** in the light of Jesus.

Friday 21st November 2025

Dear Parents,

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

Reception: Charlotte

Year 1: James

Year 2: Beatrice

Year 3: Coushal

Year 4: Aliyah

Year 5: Iona

Year 6: Bethany

Well done to you all!

Y5 Bikeability

Next Monday and Tuesday Y5 will take part in Bikeability sessions. A letter has been sent home to Y5 parents. Please ensure permission has been given via the QR code on the letter. Your child will not be able to take part without your permission. Children can store their bikes at school overnight on Monday to save bringing back and forth. Children must bring and wear a helmet and long hair must be tied back. Children can wear their usual school sporty clothes for both days, remembering that they will be outdoors for both days come rain or shine – a waterproof coat is essential. Thank you.



Living Waters Storehouse Foodbank

You may remember when we had the collection of dry non-perishable goods for Harvest, we mentioned that the School Council had asked Living Waters if we could have a permanent box in school that could be added to as and when families were able to donate. The box has now arrived in our entrance area and donations of non-perishable goods can be donated all year round. Thank you to the School Council for this wonderful idea.

Children in Need Bake Sale



£182.00 was raised at Friday's cake sale. Thank you again if you donated cakes and or bought cakes. This money is on its way to Children in Need.

PTFA Easyfundraising

Easyfundraising has a promotion on at the moment. For everyone who signs up on the App, our PTFA get £2.00. If you haven't already signed up to Easyfundraising please do consider doing at the moment as our PTFA gets money at no cost to you, simply while you shop online. Please see the flyer below.

School Photos

Adam, our photographer, came into school the other week and took everyone's photos, siblings were grouped together and pre-schoolers called in to have their photo taken also. Your child will bring home tonight an order form with an individual link to the photos taken today. Please take the time to have a look at these photos and place any orders by **this Sunday 23rd November** to receive free delivery to school and an extra 10% discount.



School Council Elections in Parliament Week

Next **Monday 24th November** will be the start of Parliament Week. As part of our learning about the British Value of Democracy, we will hold elections for our new School Council and I hope that many children will aspire to run. The guidelines are; all children except current school councillors from Year 1-Year 5 may run for school council, this means that current school councillors will not be able to run for election again this year, but can try again next. However, all children in Year 6, including current school councillors, may run for election. Speeches in class will take place on **Tuesday 25th November**.

School Vacancy

We are looking for someone to join our After School Club team. This would be to start as soon as possible. Term time hours Monday to Friday 3:30-5:30pm. If a parent, your child would receive a free place at the club to support any childcare. Please get in touch with the school office if you would like to more about this role at our school or see the school website for details.

Grandparents' Coffee Morning

Thank you to all those who expressed an interest in attending our annual Christmas Grandparents' Coffee Morning. The list is now full and we have reached capacity for the school hall. There is a waiting list and we will contact people if any space becomes available. Thank you for supporting this event and we look forward to seeing grandparents on 17th December at 9.30am.

Choir Performance

The school choir has been invited to sing carols at Euxton Library on **Monday 1st December at 2pm**. We will be walking to the library. Children are to wear school uniform but can swap their school jumper for a Christmas jumper, if they would like to. Parents are welcome to come and listen to the children sing.

Elf Behaving Badly Lunch

On the **Monday 1st December** there is an Elf Behaving Badly' School Meal Promotion for anyone who doesn't normally have a school lunch. The meal served is Cheeky BBQ Chicken or Quorn Pizza with Trouble Maker Tater Balls & Sneaky Sweetcorn or Prankster Creamy Tomato Pasta with Daring Dough Balls followed by Rascally Doughnut Rings with Sassy Chocolate Sauce. If your child is normally on packed lunches and would like a school meal on this date, please email Miss Croft and make the payment of £2.90 (unless your child receives FSM) on ParentPay (Years 3-6). Email: a.croft@euxton.lancs.sch.uk

Christmas Lunch Day!

Wednesday 10th December - For anyone who doesn't normally have a school lunch. The meal served will Festive Roast with Chipolata Sausage or Cranberry & Cheese Swirl served with Roast & Creamed Mashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy followed by Festive Dessert. Please email Miss Croft if you would like to order your child a meal on that day. Email: a.croft@euxton.lancs.sch.uk

Holiday List 2026/2027

Attached is the holiday list for the next academic year which has now been approved by LCC and the Governors. This is also published on our website.

Friday 12th December – Festive Fun Day!

Santa Dash



Our sponsored Santa Dash will take place on the afternoon of **Friday 12th December at 3pm**. All the children and staff will be joining in. The children can bring a Christmas hat, Santa beard or the full Santa outfit to wear for the event if they wish to. Children to bring some old trainers for the run as we will be running on the field. Staff will take photos and video the event and will publish them on the website. Children will be dismissed from classrooms as normal on the day. Sponsor forms will be sent home next week. The event will be great fun, gets us fit and raises some money! Please return sponsor forms and cash on the day. Thank you!

Grand Christmas Post Day



Grand Christmas Post Day! **Friday 12th December** - This is the day that children can bring their Christmas cards to school for their friends if they wish. If you would like to take an opportunity to send in a donation to Mikoroshoni, our sponsor school in Kenya, instead of sending lots of Christmas cards and reducing waste too, the children could write a card to the whole school or class, enclose the donation, and post it in the box. A suggested donation of £1 or £2 would be great and this is totally voluntary. Cards can still be sent as normal this year if that is something you choose to do. Thank you.

Christmas Jumper Day!

Friday 12th December - Children can replace their school jumper or cardigan for a Christmas jumper or make their school jumper look Christmassy! A donation of £1 will be collected at the gate on the day by the School Council. The proceeds will be sent to Mikoroshoni Primary School in Kenya.

Rainbow Raffle



We're excited to announce our **Rainbow Raffle!** Each class will create a beautiful hamper based around a specific colour, making a stunning rainbow of prizes for you to win.

How it works: Every class has been assigned a colour and families are invited to donate items in that colour to help fill their class hamper. Please bring donations into school by **Monday 15th December**.

- **Reception: Red**
- **Y1: Orange**
- **Y2: Yellow**
- **Y3: Green**
- **Y4: Blue**
- **Y5: Purple**
- **Y6: Pink**

Hampers will be raffled off at our carols in the hall on the afternoon of **Thursday 18th December**. Tickets will be coming home in bags on **Monday**. Please return any money and ticket stubs in an envelope to the school office. Any unsold tickets can be sent back to the office also. Thank you for your support in making this a fun and colourful event for our school community.

PTFA Lucky Numbers

If you haven't already signed up for this monthly draw, please consider doing so to support the work of our PTFA. Each month a draw takes place in Celebration Worship with the winner receiving £20. At certain times of the year the prize is a whopping **£50** also (next Friday's draw is £50!). The details are on the flyer below. Thank you.

Dates ahead (including festive dates):

Thursday 4th December, 9.30am and 2pm – Infant Nativity Performances for parents and grandparents – ticket allocations have come home in book bags this week.

Monday 8th December, 2pm – Y5 & Y6 Christingle Service in church – parents welcome to attend

Friday 12th December, 3pm – Santa Dash.

Monday 15th December – Whole school panto of Peter Pan in school

Tuesday 16th December – Christmas Party Day

Wednesday 17th December – Grandparents Coffee Morning

Wednesday 17th December, 2.45pm – Rock Steady concert

Thursday 18th December, 3pm – Carols in the hall

Friday 19th December – last day of term, school finishes at 1.30pm (no ASC on this day).

Well Done Iris!



HUGE congratulations to Iris for taking part in the European Biathlon Championships in Alanya. Iris came 3rd in the relay and 12th overall in the U11 biathlon. A fantastic achievement!

Landscaping SOS

We are looking for someone who works in landscaping to help us at school to clear an area of astroturf on the playground (10m x 7m) and to remove willow roots. The area would then need to be levelled with soil so that we are ready to install some new playground equipment. If you know of anyone who could help us, please contact either myself or the school office. Thank you!

PTFA Step into Christmas Event TONIGHT!



Thank you for all the generous donations of chocolate and bottles received today, they really are very much appreciated. I hope everyone had a great time after school today and enjoyed the festive fun. Thank you so much to our wonderful PTFA for all they do and thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped set up, run the stalls and tidy up. Team work makes the dream work! 😊

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash

Headteacher

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PTFA



LUCKY NUMBERS



JOIN OUR LOTTERY!

Support our school and win cash prizes!

Cash prizes awarded monthly!

All proceeds go to supporting PTFA-funded school projects

How it works

- Join our monthly lottery
- It is open to parents, grandparents, carers, staff and friends of the school
- Each number you buy gives you a chance to win!
- There is a monthly draw to win £20 (£50 on some occasions!)
- It costs just £12 a year to buy a number and enters you for 12 months from when you make your payment
- The easiest way to join is to set up an annual (£12) standing order

Account Name: Euxton C of E PTFA

Account Number: 20565534

Sort Code: 01-01-94

Reference: Your surname and first initial

Then email luckynumbersptfa@gmail.com and let us know you have set up your standing order, your child's name and their year and you'll be allocated a number

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YOU**





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HOLIDAY LIST 2026/2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026

School Opens:	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026
Half-Term: Closes on:	Thursday 22 nd October 2026
Re-opens:	Monday 2 nd November 2026
End of Term:	Friday 18 th December 2026 (finish time 1:30pm)

SPRING TERM 2027

School Opens:	Tuesday 5 th January 2027
Half-Term: Closes on:	Friday 12 th February 2027
Re-opens:	Monday 22 nd February 2027
End of Term:	Thursday 25 th March 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027

School Opens:	Monday 12 th April 2027
May Day Closure:	Monday 3 rd May 2027
Half-Term: Closes on:	Thursday 27 th May 2027
Re-opens:	Tuesday 8 th June 2027
End of Term:	Wednesday 21 st July 2027 (finish time 1:30pm)

INSET DAYS

Tuesday 1st September 2026
Friday 23rd October 2026
Monday 5th January 2027
Friday 28th May 2027
Monday 7th June 2027

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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TRACKING DEVICES

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STALKING AND HARASSMENT

Because of their tiny size and unassuming appearance, tracking devices can easily be hidden in bags or clothing. They've been used to monitor individuals without their knowledge, with a lawsuit in the US labelling AirTags "the weapon of choice of stalkers and abusers". In the UK, use of tracking devices in coercive control and stalking cases reportedly rose by 317 percent between 2018 and 2023.

TOOLS FOR BULLYING

Tracking devices could allow bullies to follow or locate their targets even outside of school. This makes it difficult for children to find refuge, potentially extending the trauma of bullying into spaces – like home – that should feel safe and secure.

FALSE ACCUSATIONS

Because tracking devices are linked to user accounts, they could be misused to 'prove' ownership of someone else's possessions. Someone could, for example, plant a tracker on another person's belongings to falsely claim them as their own.

INVASION OF PRIVACY

These devices are designed to share location data with the user via other people's phones, which can unintentionally broadcast someone's movements without their consent. This makes them vulnerable to being monitored by strangers without realising.

DIFFICULT TO DETECT

Many tracking devices are designed to be discreet, but that also means they're easy to hide. Without proactive checking or the right tech to detect them, children and young people might not realise they're being tracked.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH FOR WARNING SIGNS

If a child's peers always seem to know their location – whether in person or hinted at online – it could be worth checking for tracking devices. Some, like AirTags, will eventually make a noise if separated from their owner. Listen out for a chirping sound.

CHECK LIKELY HIDING SPOTS

Common places where trackers may be planted include jacket linings, bag seams, pockets, or under bike seats. If you find one, take a photo of the serial number before disposing of it – this could help police trace the account it's linked to.

USE DETECTION APPS

Apple devices running iOS 14.5 or later will notify users of unknown AirTags nearby. Android users can install Apple's 'Tracker Detect' or the third-party app 'AirGuard' to scan for tracking devices from various manufacturers.

HAVE THE CONVERSATION

Talk to your child about what tracking devices are, what signs to look out for, and how they might be misused. Emphasise the legal consequences of using them to prank, harass, or monitor someone.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is a seasoned technology journalist with bylines in Wired, TechRadar, The Guardian, The Evening Standard, The Telegraph, and The New Statesman. He specialises in consumer tech, online safety, and emerging risks in the digital landscape.



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