



Euxton Church of England Primary School

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

Friday 3rd July 2026

Dear Parents,

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

Reception: Ada and Ava

Year 1: Neve

Year 2: George T

Year 3: Lucy

Year 4: Seb

Year 5: Charlie W and William

Year 6: Emily R

Well done to you all!

Last celebration assembly

Next **Friday 10th July** will be the last celebration assembly. This will be Y6 leaver's assembly along with class superstars. Birthdays until the end of term and any Y6 summer holiday birthdays will also be acknowledged.

Sports Days

We were delighted to complete our final Sports Day this afternoon. This week saw Year 1 and Reception have their sports day. The atmosphere at each class sports day was wonderful, and every child gave their very best throughout the events.

We are incredibly proud of all our pupils for demonstrating determination, resilience, teamwork and excellent sportsmanship. Every child represented our school brilliantly.

A huge thank you to our staff, Y6 helpers and families for their support and encouragement, helping to make each sports day a success. Most importantly, well done to all of our children – we couldn't be prouder of the enthusiasm, effort and positive attitudes you showed. You are all sporting stars!



Chorley Schools Swimming Gala



Congratulations to the team who competed on Thursday night in the swimming gala – we came 3rd! Thank you to the children who were fantastic, to parents for bringing them along and supporting and to Mr Westwell and Mrs Jones for attending on the night.

Year 6 Bake Sale



Thank you for supporting last Friday's and this Monday's bake sale in aid of the DIPG charity Abbie's Army who have massively supported Emilia in Y6. The bake sales raised **£170.85** so along with the money previously raised we have now sent a wonderful **£553.88** to the charity. Thank you so much!



PTFA Leaver's Disco

Leaver's Disco is taking place on **Tuesday 14th July 6-7pm**. Y6 have chosen a Hawaiian theme this year so children are asked to be as creative as they like and dress to impress. Please see the poster below for booking information. This poster is in the PTFA noticeboard and on the front door for ease of using QR code. You can also click this link <https://euxtonceprimaryptfa.sumupstore.com/> and it will take you to the PTFA shop for this event and the Colour Run.



Online Safety

Please see below this week's online guidance with top tips for managing digital boundaries for children under 5.



PTFA Colour Run

Thanks to a group of parent volunteers who have offered to help with this event, the PTFA are now busy organising our annual Colour Run which will take place **next Friday 10th July**, weather permitting, after school from 3.45-4.30pm – please see the flyer below for more information and guidance on booking a place. Flyer in PTFA noticeboard and on our front door for ease using the QR code. Also the link for PTFA shop as above. Please do come and support this fabulous event which is loved by the children. If the weather is against us on the 10th July we will re-arrange for September.

Euxton Parish Church Youth Group

This summer, Euxton Parish Church are organising two Summer Socials Youth Group events for any young people moving into Y6 in September through to Year 11. The first social involves games on the church lawn and the second is an afternoon of outdoor activities at Rock and River (high ropes/ low ropes/zip wires/lake activities). Please see updated flyer attached.

This is an ideal opportunity to meet friends over the summer holidays and a fun introduction to Youth Group. The events must be pre-booked. For more information please contact Anne Howard email:- Anne.Howard1957@hotmail.com or tel: 07952 410570. To book, please visit: https://www.euxtonparishchurch.org/Articles/638600/Summer_Socials_2026.aspx

Attendance Policy from September

We would like to inform parents that in line with national expectations, our school attendance policy will be updated from September.

As part of this change, we will be implementing a fixed penalty notice (fine) system for unauthorised absences. This means that holidays taken during term time, or other absences not agreed by the school, may result in a fine being issued. Please see the letter sent out this week to share details of the updated policy before the end of term. The process to request leave and how decisions are made remains the same. Every holiday/absence request is considered on its own merit. Our aim remains to support excellent attendance, as this is vital for children's learning, wellbeing and progress. Thank you for your continued support.

School Meals

Lancashire County Council have advised us that from September we will be charging **£3.00** for a school meal for junior children unless they are in receipt of free school meals. These meals continue to be delicious and nutritious. Please contact Miss Croft a.croft@euxton.lancs.sch.uk if your child would like to try a school dinner. For now, unless the Government change their minds, infants receive a free school meal – YR-Y2.

Free School Meals

We have been informed that there are changes ahead for the eligibility of FSM. We have sent all the information we have received separately to all parents. If you think you are now eligible after reading the new guidelines please make an application asap. Thank you.

PTFA Mementos

These have arrived in school for those who have placed and order and will come home with your child tonight. We hope you are thrilled with them. Thank you PTFA for arranging these.

Private Tuition Available – Reception to Year 6

A message from Mrs Kate Delves (Will and Annabel's mum):

_Looking for some extra support for your child?

I offer personalised 1:1 and small group tuition for children from Reception to Year 6 in a friendly and supportive home learning environment.

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- *Phonics & Reading*
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Sessions are tailored to each child's individual needs and can help to:

- *Build confidence and enjoyment in learning*
- *Consolidate key skills*
- *Work towards targets identified in their end-of-year school report*
- *Prepare for SATs (where appropriate)*

If you would like to find out more or discuss how I can support your child, please contact me Kate Delves at k8chap@gmail.com.

Summer term key dates:

Saturday 4th July – Euxton Gala Day on school field from 12pm.

Wednesday 8th July – Y2 trip to Clitheroe Castle.

Thursday 9th July – Move up day. Transition day for classes to meet next year's teacher and spend time in new classrooms. Please come into school as normal to usual classrooms for registration.

Thursday 9th July – Y6/Y5 Production – performances at 2pm and 6pm (children to return no sooner than 5.40pm for the 6pm performance).

Friday 10th July – PTFA Colour Run 3.45-4.30pm

Friday 10th July – End of year celebration assembly in school 9.10am.

Monday 13th July – last swimming session for Y3.

Tuesday 14th July – Y6 Leaver's Service – 2pm in church.

Tuesday 14th July – Leavers Disco Y4, Y5 and Y6 6-7pm.

Thursday 16th July – EuXton Factor Final 2pm.

Friday 17th July – End of school year. School finishes at **1.30pm**. No After School Club on this day.

School dates 2026-2027

Please see attached holiday list for next academic year. Please note first day back at school after the summer break is **Wednesday 2nd September**. The new Reception class start on **Thursday 3rd**.

School drive safety

We kindly remind all parents and visitors to drive very slowly and carefully on the school drive at all times. The area is used by many children and families, and their safety is our top priority. Please also note that parking on the school drive is not permitted at any time, as this can restrict access and create safety risks. This includes the pavement leading down the drive from the traffic lights. Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us keep our school community safe.

Thank You, Mr Ogden

As we reach the end of the school year, we would like to pay tribute to a much-loved music teacher, Peter Ogden, who is retiring after 26 years of dedicated service to our school.

Mr Ogden has inspired generations of children through his passion for music, helping children to develop their confidence, creativity and love of playing a musical instrument. His enthusiasm, patience and commitment have left a lasting impact on countless children and families, and he has played a significant role in shaping the musical life of our school.

We are incredibly grateful for everything Mr Ogden has contributed over the years and know he will be greatly missed by children, staff and the wider school community. We wish him a long, happy and well-deserved retirement filled with happiness and new adventures.

Thank you, Mr Ogden, for 26 wonderful years of service and inspiration!

Farewell and Good Luck to the Rapp Family

Today was Matilda and Siena's last day at school. We would like to wish the Rapp family all the very best as they begin an exciting new adventure in Australia.

The Rapp family have been a valued part of our school family, and we are grateful for their support and the many contributions they have made over the years. While we will be sad to see them go, we are excited for the opportunities that lie ahead for them and know they will make wonderful memories in their new home. On behalf of all the staff, children and families at Euxton CE Primary School, we wish the Rapp family happiness, success and every blessing for the future.

Good luck and safe travels – you will be greatly missed!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Ash,
Headteacher

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

MANAGING DIGITAL BOUNDARIES FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE

Screens are part of everyday life, but they should not take over early childhood routines. For under-fives, healthy digital habits are built through simple, steady boundaries that protect sleep, play, connection, and development. Current UK guidance advises avoiding screen time for children under two – except for shared activities such as video calls – while children aged two to five should ideally have no more than one hour a day.

1 ASK A GROWN-UP FIRST

For under-fives, autonomy is important, but not when it comes to choosing digital content. Establish an 'ask a grown-up first' rule early, whether at home or in an early years setting. Adults should choose the video, app, or game, therefore helping children avoid unsuitable content and understand that devices are tools to be guided, not toys to control.

2 PROTECT SLEEP BUFFERS

Screens can make it harder for young children to wind down, especially when content is bright, noisy, or fast paced. Aim for a screen-free hour before sleep or start with 30 minutes if that feels more realistic. Use this time for calming routines such as stories, bath time, quiet play, or cuddles, helping children recognise that bedtime is approaching.

3 CO-VIEW AND CHAT

Screen time is safer and more meaningful when adults are involved. Sit with children, even briefly, and talk about what they're watching. Ask simple questions like, "What can you see?" or "How does that character feel?" This turns passive viewing into shared interaction, supports language development, and helps adults spot adverts, unsuitable content, or confusing messages.

4 KEEP DEVICES HIDDEN

Young children are more likely to ask for screens when they can see or reach them. Keep devices out of sight when they're not being used, and consider casting content to a shared screen instead of handing over a phone or tablet to a child. This reduces private scrolling, supports shared viewing, and helps adults stay in control of what appears next.

5 PLAN THE TRANSITION

The hardest part of screen time is often stopping. Before the screen goes off, tell the child what's coming next and offer two acceptable choices, such as blocks or drawing. This gives them a sense of agency without removing the boundary. A planned next activity prevents a sudden gap, which can quickly become frustration or distress.

6 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Children notice adult habits long before they understand adult explanations. If they're expected to put their screens away, they need to see adults doing the same thing during meals, play, and conversations. Create a shared 'phone home', such as a basket or shelf, to show that technology has a place in daily life but does not need constant attention.

7 MAKE SCREENS PREDICTABLE

Young children do not always understand minutes, but they quickly learn patterns. When screen time happens at a regular point in the day, it becomes a routine rather than a negotiation. Use the same start and finish signals each time, such as a timer, goodbye wave, or tidy-away moment, so children know what to expect next.

8 CREATE SCREEN ZONES

Physical boundaries help children understand digital boundaries. Keep screens out of bedrooms to protect their sleep and away from tables to preserve mealtime connections. Choose one agreed 'yes space', such as a shared living room area or supervised classroom corner. This makes limits feel less personal and more like a clear family or setting routine.

9 USE SIMPLE SCRIPTS

Transitions are easier when children hear the same calm language each time. Use short, repeatable phrases such as, "First tidy, then tablet," or "When the timer beeps, we stop." Avoid long explanations during emotional moments. Simple scripts reduce negotiation, help adults stay consistent, and give children clear expectations they can gradually understand and follow.

10 PRIORITISE SLOW CONTENT

Not all screen time feels the same to a young child's brain. Fast-paced clips, loud sounds, and rapid scene changes can make it harder for some children to settle down afterwards. Choose slower content with simple stories, gentle voices, and natural pauses. Think of digital content like food, with more calm, nourishing choices than fast-paced, digital 'sugar rushes'.

Meet Our Expert

Neha Agarwal is the founder of Cyber Ved Kids, an innovative educational initiative that transforms complex cybersecurity concepts into engaging, age-appropriate adventures for children aged 3-10. With her unique background leading cybersecurity services for corporates and serving as an expert panel advisor on Internet Matters, Neha brings corporate-grade cybersecurity expertise to the early years world.



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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 4th January 2027
Friday 28th May 2027
Monday 7th June 2027

**Friday
10th July
3.45pm**

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Reference:
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Tuesday
14th July
6 – 7pm

for years 4, 5 & 6

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FOR ANYONE GOING
INTO YEAR 6-11

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For more info contact
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**SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST
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