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

Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Parents,

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

Reception: Freya

Year 1: Vinnie

Year 2: Maggie

Year 3: Harry

Year 4: Alice

Year 5: Trip Day (2 superstars will be selected next time)

Year 6: Trip Day (2 superstars will be selected next time)

Well done to you all!

Girls and Boys Football Finals

Mr Astle reports on the two finals -

It has been a strange story of coincidences with our 2 football teams this week - in a good way!

Both teams made it through to the finals, both teams remained undefeated in the final group stages, and, unfortunately, both teams lost in penalties against Euxton Primrose Hill, who then went on to win both tournaments!

The good news however, is both teams also played absolutely incredibly!

The girls played 15 matches in total, won 13, drew one and lost one. Most importantly, they only conceded 2 goals in the entire tournament. They came second overall, and thoroughly deserved all the accolades coming their way.

The boys played 7 matches in total, winning 5, drawing one and losing one. Again, impressively, they only conceded 3 goals in the entire tournament. They came fifth overall, which doesn't accurately portray how well they played.

I was so proud of both teams, who played their hearts out, never gave up and despite not winning overall, never let the smiles come off their faces.

Thank you to Mr Astle for supporting the two teams, to parents for transporting them to the venues each week and to the children for always shining as we would expect them to. Well done! We will celebrate with both teams and present certificates at the Celebration Worship on **6th November**.



Y1 Harvest Worship and Food Bank Appeal



A big thank you to our Year 1 children for leading our Harvest Worship so beautifully this week. They shared important messages about thankfulness and helping others, and we are very proud of them. Thank you also for your generous food bank donations which have been collected by Living Waters Church Storehouse Food Bank. Donations can also be made throughout the year and placed in the Food Bank collection box in the main entrance. Every contribution helps support local families in need.

Bishop's Harvest Appeal



The appeal will be supporting the people of the Diocese of Liwolo in South Sudan. In July the Rt. Rev. Joseph Aba, the Bishop of Episcopal Diocese of Liwolo reached out to Bishop Philip and appealed for urgent humanitarian assistance after an estimated 10,000 civilians fled their homes, fearing for their lives. The people were displaced by renewed violence along the South Sudan-Uganda border. This number has now increased to 36,000 and people are sheltering in 5 displacement camps in and around Liwolo Cathedral. The displaced population is

living in overcrowded conditions with urgent needs for food, clean drinking water, emergency shelter, blankets, cooking utensils, clothing, sanitation facilities, medicine and protection services. Bishop Philip is asking us to help him help his friend Bishop Joseph and is challenging us to raise money for the appeal by undertaking an assault course!

School Council have designed an obstacle course which will take place in school on **Tuesday 20th October**. **Children will change into their PE kits at school. Children may bring a pair of trainers into school to take part in the obstacle course as it will take place in and outdoors.**

Suggested donations of £1 or more to take part and contribute to the appeal. Donations can be made either by scanning the QR code below (there is a copy of this QR code in our parent noticeboard for ease) or sending money on the day in a sealed envelope labelled 'Bishop's Appeal'. Thank you for your support to making a difference to the people of South Sudan.



Y5 and Y6 PSHE Trip

Y5 and Y6 enjoyed their trip today to the Chorley 'Crucial Crew' child safety event. This educational event focuses on developing essential life skills through interactive and engaging scenarios delivered by a range of partner agencies covering a variety of topics around personal safety, decision making and community awareness - all designed to help prepare young people for real life situations in a fun and memorable way.

October – Black History Month

What Is Black History Month?

OCTOBER

TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9	10	11	12
14	15	16	17	18	19
21	22	23	24	25	26
28	29	30	31		

Black History Month is an annual event held every October in the United Kingdom.

It is an opportunity for everyone to learn about the achievements and contributions of Black and Mixed Heritage people in Britain and around the world.

Black History Month has been celebrated in the UK since 1987.

Next Wednesday the focus of history lessons across school will be celebrating Black people's achievements and contributions, explore their stories and learn about their place in our shared history. It also reminds us that these stories matter all year round. This year's theme is 'Honouring Our Communities.'

Attendance and Family Holidays During Term Time

We know that family time is incredibly important and that, from time to time, families may wish to request leave during term time. However, regular school attendance plays a vital role in children's learning, confidence and friendships. Every day in school helps children build on previous learning and take part fully in the life of the school.

If you are considering requesting leave during term time, please remember that permission must be sought from the Headteacher in advance. Current government guidance states that schools may only authorise leave in exceptional circumstances, and family holidays are not normally considered exceptional.

Any request should be submitted well in advance and before making travel arrangements or bookings. Where leave is not authorised and a child is absent from school, the Local Authority may issue a Penalty Notice if the absence meets the national threshold. Please see the Attendance Policy on the school website for details.

We greatly appreciate your support in ensuring children attend school regularly and make the most of every learning opportunity. If you would like to discuss a particular circumstance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

School clubs

Next week will be the last sessions for Football and Athletics after school clubs. Clubs will resume after the half-term break, week commencing 9th November. These clubs provide children with wonderful opportunities to develop new skills, pursue their interests and enjoy spending time with friends beyond the school day. Details of the clubs available and how to sign up will be shared next week. We encourage all children to consider taking part and making the most of the exciting opportunities on offer across school.

Baby News

Congratulations to Emilia in Y1 who has got a new baby brother. Welcome to Arthur and love to Gemma and Daniel at this special time.

Parents Evening

This takes place in the hall on Thursday 4th November – School Spider is now open for appointments to be made.



Online Safety

Please see the attached online safety newsletter for October.

Admissions – Primary and Secondary Places

You can apply via www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools for school places for next September. Supplementary Faith forms are available in the school office for our school. If you are applying to any faith school a separate form should be provided by them and completed. The closing dates are as follows:

Secondary (Y7 in Sept 2027) – Saturday 31st October 2026 (during half term)
Primary (Reception in Sept 2027) – Friday 15th January 2027

Please do not hesitate to have a chat with me if you would like any additional information. If you know anyone who is interested in their child coming to our lovely school then please encourage them to come along to our Open Days. To attend an Open Day, complete the sign-up form found on the front page of our school website.

PTFA Meeting

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA meeting this week. It was wonderful to see some new faces alongside our regular supporters. We are excited to be planning a range of upcoming events and activities for the children, and we look forward to sharing more details soon. Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

Buckshaw and Fuxton Free Clothes Swap

Please see the flyer below with details of an event happening on **Saturday 24th October** at St Mary's Church Social Centre.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

After half term and until Wednesday 11th November we will be selling the items below at break times. Poppies are a minimum donation of 20p, poppy reflectors are 50p, snap bands and bracelets are £1, pencils are 50p and stickers 20p each. All proceeds go to the Royal British Legion. Thank you for your support.



Key dates ahead

Thursday 22nd October – Y4 Roman Day in school (details sent home)

Thursday 22nd October – End of half term. School closes at 3.30pm. After school club as usual.

Thursday 22nd October – PTFA Autumn Disco – see attached flyer for information below.

Friday 23rd October – INSET day – school closed.

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October – Half term.

Monday 2nd November – School open.

Wednesday 4th November – Parents Evening 2.45pm onwards

Thursday 5th November – Individual and sibling photos taken (pre-school children welcome before school day begins to have photo with school aged siblings).

Wednesday 11th November – Nasal Flu Sprays from 9am.

Friday 13th November – Y4 parent worship 2.50pm in school hall. Y4 parents invited to attend.

Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th November – Y5 Bikeability (details to follow)

Wednesday 18th November – NSPCC workshops for Y2, Y5 and Y6 (in school time)

Tuesday 24th November – Y4 trip to Ribchester Roman Museum

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Ash
Headteacher

PTFA NEWS

A new way to support: Sponsored items in the PTFA shop

Alongside our usual event tickets, we have introduced a collection of Sponsored Items. Our families often tell us they would like a simple, transparent, and direct way to support. This new option directly funds extra experiences, resources, and treats that make Euxton C of E Primary so special for our children.

Initially, we have introduced sponsorship for:

Reception Book Bags: Helping welcome our newest pupils to school with their school book bag.

Year 6 Leavers' Bibles: Sponsoring a meaningful keepsake for our leavers as they move on to high school.

Coach Seats for School Trips: Directly subsidising transport costs so we can help keep school trips affordable.

Class Funds: Providing extra budget directly to teachers for creative projects, seasonal crafts, and classroom enrichment.

Take a look at our updated shop here: [Products | Euxton C of E Primary School PTFA](#)

Thank you, as always, for your wonderful generosity and continued support!

Annual General Meeting - Monday 16th November

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is taking place on Monday 16th November at 6.30pm.

The AGM is our once-a-year opportunity to look back on everything we've achieved, review how the funds raised have supported our children, and map out our plans for the year ahead.

Most importantly, we need to meet our official quorum to make the meeting legal! This simply means we need a minimum number of parents and carers present for decisions on our Committee roles to be formally approved. Whether you can stay for the whole evening or just pop in, your attendance makes a huge difference in keeping our PTFA running.

We are looking for a New Co-Chair!

We are also searching for a new Co-Chair to stand at the AGM alongside our current chair, Emma Ratcliffe and join our friendly committee team. Co-chairing is a brilliant, shared role - it means you won't be taking it on alone, and it's a rewarding way to get involved in school life, share ideas, and help shape events for our families.

If you'd like to find out more about what the role involves (with zero pressure!), please reach out to Emma Ratcliffe or Helen Foran via WhatsApp Community or euxtoncofptfa@gmail.com

Autumn Disco - Thursday 22nd October

Tickets for the disco are still available via our online shop. Ensure you select the 'Message for the merchant' drop down to include your surname and year group. Infants and children attending ASC can bring a change of clothes for the disco and reception parents are invited to stay as it is their first school disco. euxtonceprimaryptfa.sumupstore.com

Christmas Shop

The Christmas Shop is still open for you to purchase Christmas cards and keepsakes which incorporate your child's illustration.

Order forms were sent home last week with the QR code. If you have misplaced your form, please email the PTFA to request your PIN.

All orders must be placed on or before **Sunday 25th October**. Items will be in school by mid-November.

PTFA expenditure

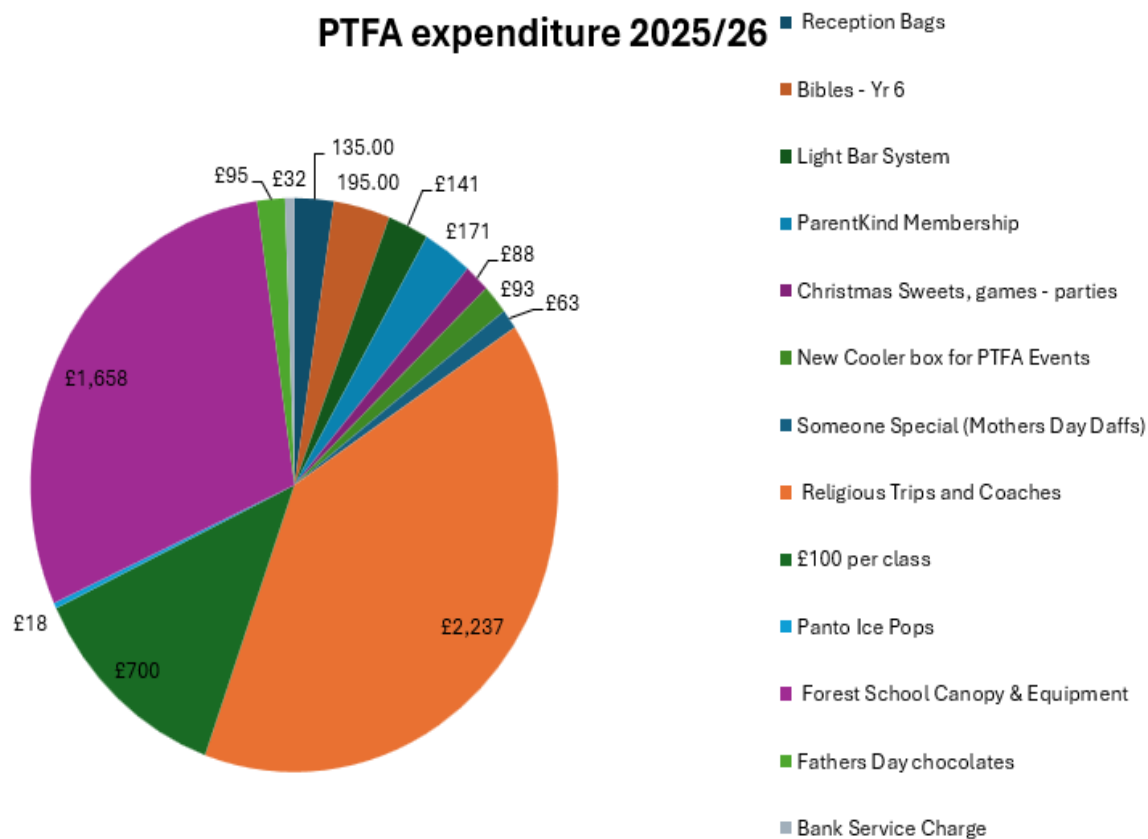
Please see below the range of expenditure from the profits of money raised last year.

We would like to thank all families for their continued support of PTFA events throughout the year. Every ticket purchased, raffle entry sold and donation received helps to make a real difference to our school.

While organising events does involve some costs, we are proud that all profits raised by the PTFA are reinvested directly into opportunities, experiences and resources that benefit our children. From enhancing learning environments to supporting special events and activities, every pound raised helps enrich school life for our children.

Thank you for helping us create memorable experiences and opportunities for all our children. ❤️

PTFA expenditure 2025/26



New for 2026/27: Get event dates, ticket links and important updates straight to your phone.

- ✓ For all parents and carers
- ✓ Admin-only announcements
- ✓ Optional chats for active teams
- ✓ Privacy of your phone number
- ✓ Join once and stay informed
- ✓ No volunteering commitment

All community members

Announcement Hub
Read-only bulletin board with event info, ticket links and updates
For all parents & carers of children who attend PTFA events

Optional group

Questions & support
Ask the PTFA a question directly when you need help
For all parents & carers as required

Optional groups for those involved in volunteering

Volunteer Pool
Hear about opportunities to help when you can
For those with capacity to volunteer ad hoc

Event specific group
Temporary sub-group for confirmed event volunteering team
For event volunteering team

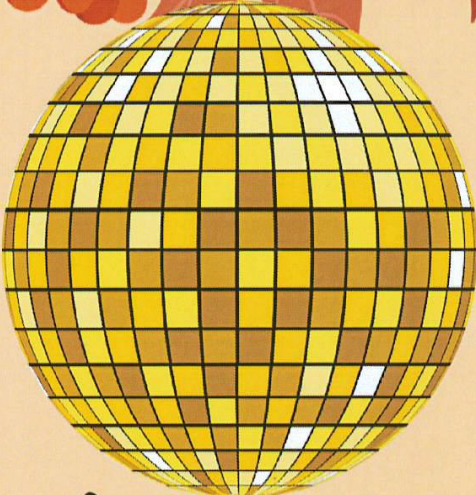
PTFA Committee
Planning group for this current school year
For active members. New members always welcome

A few guidelines

- Please keep any group chats kind, supportive and relevant to PTFA events and fundraising
- Numbers are hidden in the community unless you have connected with someone in a personal or group chat
- Please do not share links to join outside of our school community
- Please respect privacy by not sharing photos of others in these forums without express consent

A link to join will be shared by the school office and in class group chats. Please do not share links outside of our school community.

JOIN NOW



Autumn DISCO

Thursday 22nd October

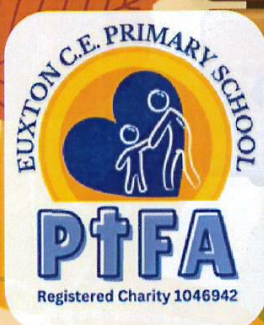
Infants 3.30 – 4.30

Juniors 4.40 – 5.40

Advance Tickets
£4.00 includes juice



*all online bookings MUST include surname and
year group/as payment reference



Christmas Shop

NOW OPEN

The PTFA Christmas Shop offers a variety of items based on your child's artwork

Value Packs

Best Seller

2 packs of 12 Christmas Cards
PLUS
42 self adhesive gift labels
Bundle price £14.50

Great gift

Ceramic 11oz mug
PLUS
Full colour MDF coaster
Bundle price £10.00

Stocking Fillers

Hanging Decoration



8cm design on MDF
- a precious way to display your child's artwork year after year
£5.50

Magnet

A fun way to share and display this year's drawings and ensure they last
£3.50



Tea Towel

A special gift for your favourite Christmas Chef
£6.95



Ceramic 11oz Mug

Individually packed and dishwasher safe to make a long lasting keepsake
£6.95



Keepsakes

Coaster

MDF coasters for everyday festive use
£4.00



Stationery

12 Christmas Cards



A6 with envelopes - a personal way to share your Christmas wishes
£6.00

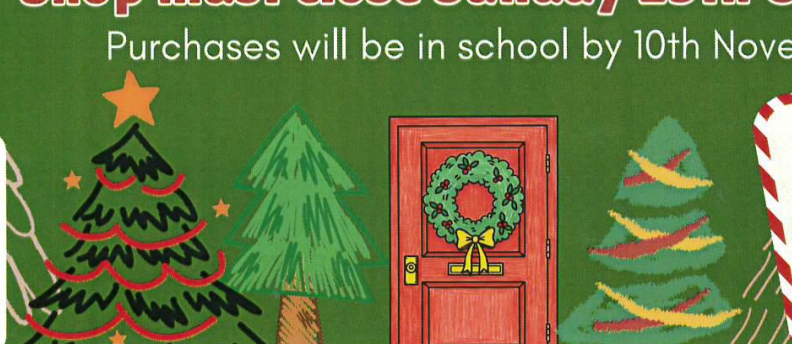
42 self adhesive gift labels

38mm x 99mm semi gloss labels for speedy yet personalised gift wrapping
£3.50



Shop must close Sunday 25th October

Purchases will be in school by 10th November



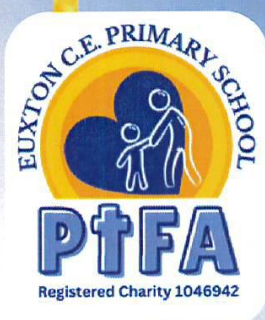
Personal QR codes are available on the image preview flyer sent home. If you lose your link, visit www.sforders.co.uk to request a replacement

Annual General MEETING

**If you haven't been to a meeting before,
this a great one to join. We will select our
new committee and continue preparation
for this year's events.**

**All
welcome**

**16th
November
@ 6.30pm**





Buckshaw and Euxton Baby & Kids Free Clothes Swap

Saturday 24th of October 2026, 10:00-12:00

**St Mary's Church, Euxton, Social Centre (back room),
PR7 6JW**

Bring **washed** old/outgrown clothes **sorted** into the following sizes:

- Preemie
- Newborn/ up to 1 month
- 1-3 months
- 3-6 months
- 6-9 months
- 9-12 months
- 12-18 months
- 18-24 months
- 2-3 years
- Then by year from 4-11

Bring a bag and leave with new clothes in the right size

If you are looking for newborn clothes, please just come without any donations to take some things for your new arrival!

School uniform is welcome, but do please use your school's schemes

A table for miscellaneous other items also available

Tea, coffee, squash and cakes available to buy. Proceeds going to hall hire/charity

If you have clothes that you would like to drop before the event or have any questions, please contact Andy at lunn.andrew@gmail.com