



# Euxton Church of England Primary School



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

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Dear Parents,

## **EuXton Factor**



Well done to everyone who auditioned and took part in today's EuXton Factor. A wonderful celebration of a range of talent that had us all entertained. Thank you to Mr Westwell and School Council who organised and hosted the event. Great teamwork and a lovely end of year celebration 😊

## **Message from the school office**

Reminder for parents to check their balances in ParentPay and settle any outstanding balances as soon as possible. Any outstanding ParentPay Y6 balances will be passed to siblings if they have one in school although Y6 parents will continue to have access to ParentPay during the summer hols so please ensure balances are cleared. Please contact Mrs Hodges or Miss Croft if you have any questions. Thank you for your co-operation.

## **Pre-Loved Uniform**

A reminder that Christine Farrington collects any donations of pre-loved uniform (via the school office who will pass it on). To contact Christine for any requests for uniform please go to the Facebook page Euxton C of E Pre-Loved Uniform or email Christine directly at [euxtoncofeuniform@gmail.com](mailto:euxtoncofeuniform@gmail.com). Thank you Christine for providing this service for our families, it is very much appreciated.

## **Spinney Project**

Next week on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July, we will welcome volunteers who are coming to school to rejuvenate our Spinney area, which has unfortunately experienced some weather damage. We are looking for any donations to replace broken items or include new items to enhance the area for example a disco ball, wind chimes or any ornamental garden items.

The team will also need a couple of wheelbarrows for the day. If anyone living close to school has one to spare and we could borrow one for the day please could you email either the PTFA at [euxtoncofeptfa@gmail.com](mailto:euxtoncofeptfa@gmail.com) or myself at [head@euxton.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@euxton.lancs.sch.uk)

Thank you so much for your support and we look forward to unveiling the new Spinney area in the Autumn term. Thank you also to Emma Ratcliffe (PTFA Chair) and her team of colleagues from Manchester who are coming to school for the day to support our school.

## **Holiday Homework**

Holiday homework has been communicated via the class blogs. This is totally optional, but the staff have produced ideas for work to do at home in the break. There really is no expectation to do these, but may be worth a look. It would be beneficial if your child continued to read everyday over the summer break. Being a fluent reader is the most important key to learning, as it unlocks the potential in every area of the curriculum.

### **Summer Holidays**

School will reopen for all our pupils on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

### **School building works**

During the summer break, we have two large building projects taking place. One is to replace perimeter fencing and install a bike and scooter shelter. The other is to remodel our entrance area to create a waiting area and install electronic access systems. All projects will be completed by the time we return to school.

### **Euxton Parish Church Youth Group**

Please see below dates and times for activities open to children going into Y6 and above in September.



### **Online Safety**

Please see attached online safety newsletter that contains guidance about staying safe around water.

### **Good luck Y6!**

Today we say 'farewell' to our lovely Year 6 children. Congratulations for a super year and for all your hard work leading up to your SATS. We wish you all the very best as you move to your new high schools. Here's to change, to new beginnings, new friendships, and new stories waiting to be written. You've done brilliantly, and we can't wait to see where your journey takes you next. The future is bright, and it is yours to shape! Good luck and lots of love to all who are leaving us – please remember you will always be part of our very special Euxton school family 😊



**Thank you and happy holidays!**

Thank you to all our brilliant children, staff, governors, PTFA, volunteers and families for all your support throughout the year. We really appreciate everything you do to help us to continue to SHINE.

Wishing you all an enjoyable and restful Summer break. Happy holidays!

Take care and keep safe,

Mrs Ash  
Headteacher

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Wisdom Compassion Humility Friendship Peace Trust Forgiveness Hope



# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## STAYING SAFE AROUND WATER

Enjoying time in, on, and around water plays a vital role in a young person's overall development, offering a healthy and exhilarating way to have fun. This guide outlines essential safety advice, based on the Royal Life Saving Society UK's Water Safety Code, to help ensure children can enjoy swimming and similar activities safely and responsibly.

### 1 STICK TO LIFEGUARDED AREAS

It's never advisable to enter unsupervised bodies of water, especially alone. Instead, it's considered best practice to accompany children to places with lifeguards, as they will be trained to respond swiftly in emergencies and provide first aid when needed.



### 2 LEARN SIGNS AND FLAGS

When going to a new environment, it's important to research the local area and make children aware of safety signage before entering the water. If visiting the seaside, make sure children are always supervised by an adult and that they know what different beach flags mean, so they're knowledgeable of where and when they can enter the sea.



### 3 STOP AND THINK

Young people should be cautious before entering water, as it's difficult to know what hazards could be underneath. Use the Water Safety Code and encourage children to ask themselves questions such as, "Is the water too deep or too shallow? Are there currents, tides, or underwater objects?" Make sure children know never to enter water from a height, as what lurks below could cause serious injuries.



### 4 CONSIDER WATER TEMPERATURE

Even on hot days, water can be deceptively cold. Tragedies strike when young people experience cold water shock. Never let children enter water quickly; instead, ensure that they enter slowly and carefully to allow their bodies to adjust to the temperature or exit easily if needed.



### 5 INFLATABLE SAFETY

Although inflatables may seem like a fun idea when visiting locations like the beach, they can float further out from shore and into more dangerous water. It's advisable only to use inflatables in spaces like appropriately managed swimming pools, where they're used in more controlled and supervised environments.



### 6 SUPERVISION IS KEY



For young children, and particularly those under the age of five, it's important for them to be supervised at home, outside and at the pool at all times. It's essential for parents and educators to understand that young children can drown quickly and silently; therefore, anyone supervising them must maintain constant watch in case they get into difficulty.

### 7 DON'T GO TOO FAR



When swimming, especially in open water, it's best to teach children to stay within a safe depth. Share advice with them such as only entering water up to a standing depth, and in the case of visiting the beach, swim parallel to shorelines. This will allow a child to stay in control and get out of the water easily.

### 8 KEEP POOLS AND TUBS DRAINED



For parents of young children, a simple way to protect them at home is to keep outdoor spaces and bathrooms tidy after playtime. This includes removing water from paddling pools after use and turning them over, returning lids to hot tubs and taking toys out of baths, so all water can be fully drained from the tub.

### 9 FLOAT AND CALL 999



If a child gets into difficulty in the water, they should try to float on their back, stay calm, and call for help. If a young person sees someone else in trouble, they should dial 999 or 112 immediately, then shout to reassure their friend, encouraging them to float on their back, and letting them know that help is on the way. Children should never enter the water to attempt a rescue or retrieve belongings.

### 10 TEACH WATER SAFETY



Beyond swimming lessons, children should be educated in school on water safety. Use RLSS UK's accredited programme, 'Water Smart Schools', which offers free lesson plans and resources on how to be safe on, near and around water by following the Water Safety Code.

### Meet Our Expert

The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK) is a national water safety charity that gives children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water, safely. Water safety education provided in schools is vital and, in some instances, could be a child's only opportunity to learn about the water.



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