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

Friday 12th September 2025

Dear Parents,

Euxton Superstars!

Congratulations to this week's class Superstars:

Year 1: Jack Year 2: Lottie Year 3: Isabelle Year 4: Jese Year 5: Rory

Year 6: Ava

Well done to you all!

Class superstars for **Reception** will start next **Friday 19th September**. At this assembly, we would like to present our new Reception children with a special pebble to symbolise the start of their time with us. They will then place the blue pebble in our decorative bowl that stays in our entrance area. The children will then take one of these away with them when they leave us in Year 6. It is a lovely tradition. **Parents of our new starters are more than welcome to join us on the 19th**.

Christian Values and Worship

Our Christian Values are Wisdom, Compassion, Humility, Friendship, Peace, Trust, Forgiveness and Hope. We have worship time each day in school. On a Monday I will lead worship with a focus on our Christian Values. On Tuesdays the children worship together as a class. On Wednesdays the children congregate to sing 'Songs of Praise'. On Thursdays either Mrs Obertelli or Mrs Jones will explore God's Big Story and Friday is our special Celebration Assembly.

Celebration Assembly - you will be informed if your child has been awarded class Superstar the week before and invited to attend. Class stickers will also be presented so please look out for your child coming home wearing one and ask why they were asked to come up in assembly. Children who are awarded a sticker will also be named on the weekly class blogs. We also celebrate birthdays and achievements at this special time. All the children who have had their birthday (during the week before) will be invited up to the front, receive a sticker and we will sing our very special birthday song. The children can also bring up to 3 of their birthday cards to show, if they wish. If your child has achieved something outside school, eg. swimming, football, drama, etc. they can bring their certificates, medals, trophies in, or they can just have a round of applause! Parents are very welcome to join us for this. We look forward to you joining us throughout the year.

As a school we continue to work hard on maintaining our outstanding behaviour around school. Children file into the hall quietly. Please could we ask parents and family members to support us by bringing conversations to an end when the children start to enter the hall. If parents need to leave assembly, please either leave before we sing our final hymn or please wait until the hymn is finished and children have left the hall to return to class.

In line with Lancashire's new safeguarding policy, when attending worship/school events, please can we ask that parents and family members do not use their own mobile phones or devices to take or record any images of children other than your own child. School obtains parental consent to take and use photographs and/or videos of children for school use only. School must follow the appropriate procedures to keep pupils safe and follow parental instruction. School is a mobile free zone and committed to ensuring that electronic devices are used in an appropriate manner. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping children safe.

Football Matches

Girls

Well done to our girls' football team, who played their first two matches of the season on Wednesday night. The first game was very evenly matched and after a few good opportunities at both ends, it ended 0-0. In the second match, the girls confidently displayed their abilities despite the heavy rain to win 10-0.

Boys

Well done to our boys' football team, who braved the weather and played their first two matches of the season on Thursday night. The first game was a 0-0 draw against a very strong team and the boys showed some fantastic defending. Second match ended with a 2-1 win for Euxton and two great goals from Leo.

Congratulations to everyone who took part this week and good luck for the next round!

Meet the teacher sessions

These are a great opportunity for you to find out a little more about your child's year group, to meet the team and see their learning environment. The sessions will be **9:00-9:20am** so once you have dropped your child off, please wait on the school playground. At 9am a member of staff will invite you to make your way into your child's classroom. These sessions are for information sharing about the year ahead. Staff are happy to arrange a convenient time to have a more detailed chat should this be required and if you have any questions personal to your child.

Wednesday 17th September – Year 5 and Year 6 Thursday 18th September – Year 1 and Year 2 Wednesday 24th September – Year 3 Thursday 25th September – Year 4

Ms Lucas will be having the second part of her Reception Welcome meeting in the classroom on **Monday 15th September at 5.30pm**. We hope you can join us.

Parent's Evening

We will once again have two formal opportunities this year to meet with your child's teacher. The first will be held on Monday 20th October and will be an opportunity for you to discuss how your child has settled into their new class and discuss their learning so far. Appointments will start from 2.30pm onwards. The online booking system via our School Spider app will be open nearer the time for you to make an appointment. I will be available throughout the afternoon/evening if you would like to have a chat with me.

The second Parents Evening will be in the Spring term. This will be about the progress your child is making and you to have a look at the work they have been doing in school. However, it is really important to us that you know that you are always welcome to ask for a meeting with staff during the year on a more informal basis.

PE and Earrings

Earrings need to be removed before a PE lesson. As a school we have a duty of care to ensure children are able to participate actively without unnecessarily endangering themselves or those working around them. If they can't be taken out due to being pierced recently, the child will only take part in "safe" activities. This includes activities in their own space and where there is no risk of being hit by any equipment, such as warmups. No child will miss a PE lesson but they will be asked to participate by being involved in peer coaching and observation. Please either ask your child to remove them on the morning of your child's PE day. If you're child does wear earrings to school, these need to be small studs, again to keep children safe when active around school.

Nasal Flu Spray

The school health team are in school on 11th November to administer the nasal flu spray to all children whose parents have given permission. The link to give permission has been sent to all parents via email this week. Please respond asap – the link closes on 15th October. If you don't want your child to have the nasal spray, please complete the section in the link.

Big Church Clean Up Day

Tomorrow, Saturday 13th September, church is open for a clean up from 10am to 2pm. Refreshments will be provided. Thank you for your support with this.

After School Club Reminder

Please remember to call the ASC team on **07730777136** as you are approaching school so that the team are aware you are nearby and can get your child ready for collection. Thank you.

Euxton Library Reading Heroes Summer Challenge

If your child has now finished the summer reading challenge, please call into Euxton library to collect their prize and register for their certificate which will be presented at school. If they still want to do the challenge, they can sign up and it runs to the end of the month.

Online Safety

Please see the attached online safety newsletter for the month of September.

Clubs for Autumn Term

	Before School/Lunchtime	Afternoon/After School
Monday	KS2 Mindfulness/Lego (YR-2) with Mrs Smith in the Y2 classroom at 12 noon starting on Monday 15th – just turn up. Book Club with Mrs Obertelli in the	Little Learners Y1, Y2 and Y3 with Mrs Delves 3.30pm-4.30pm restarted 8th September (link sent to parents). Club now full. Dance Club for Y2-Y6 with Chorley SSP for 6
	library for all year groups 12 noon starting on Monday 15 th . New members most welcome!	weeks @ £3.50 per week for this half term – places still available - email Mrs Hodges bursar@euxton.lancs.sch.uk
Tuesday	Tennis with Mr Chatterley at St Mary's Y1-Y6 8am or 3.30pm (letter sent out to parents last term). Club started 9 th September.	
	Spanish Club continues to take place at lunchtime.	
Wednesday	Eco Group with Mr Astle for Y5 and Y6 takes place during the morning in school. No need to sign up.	
	School Council with Mr Westwell.	
Thursday		Players Drama School YR-Y6 New club starting 18 th September to 23 rd October (link sent to parents).
Friday	No choir this half term but it will resume later in the year.	

Admissions – Primary and Secondary Places

You can now 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 2026) – Friday 31st October 2025 Primary (Reception in Sept 2026) – Thursday 15th January 2026

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 on:

Tuesday 23rd September, 10:00am Wednesday 22nd October, 10:00am Tuesday 18th November, 10.00am

If you would like to attend, please complete the sign up form found on the front page of our school website.

High School Open Evenings

Please see below many of the local secondary schools Open Evenings information:

St Michaels CE High School –Open Day 9th October 9.30am-12pm (please let our school know if you intend to visit during the school day).

Wellfield Academy – Thursday 18th September 4.30-7.30pm
Parklands High School – Thursday 2nd October (times to be confirmed)
Bishop Rawstorne Academy – Thursday 25th September 4 – 8pm
Albany Academy – Thursday 25th September from 5pm
Balshaw's High School – Thursday 2nd October 5.30-8.30pm

Please check the school website before a visit as some have booking systems on there. Should any parents wish to take their child round schools during the school day then please just let us know. We fully appreciate it's a big decision and we are happy to help in any way we can.

EL CLUB ESPAÑOL

Hola! Have you been on holiday to Spain or other Spanish-speaking countries this Summer? Wouldn't it be awesome if your child could speak some of the language there? Learning Spanish is a fun and useful skill and learning at primary school age gives your child the best chance of discovering a love of languages which will serve them throughout their education and life.

Our FUN SPANISH Club is restarting for the Autumn term and takes place on <u>Tuesdays</u>, from <u>9th September</u> for 13 weeks! The club is open to Year 1-6 this term (reception can join from Jan). These clubs take place during lunchtime for 30 minutes and the fees are £4.70 per session payable termly. Children have their lunch first at the beginning of lunchtime and then come to the club.

The membership fee for new members is £13.95 and children receive a songbook and CD with folder and sticker chart and it includes free access to our internet gamezone and access to all the LCF French & Spanish music via streaming on any device. Sibling discounts and monthly direct debits/card payment options are available.

If you would like to put your child's name down for a **no obligation taster**, you can sign up at www.boltonlanguages.co.uk/enrol and pay later by skipping the payment until after the taster session. If your child doesn't wish to continue, then you don't need to pay anything.

Please contact Chris Abalain if you would like more information on this club, you can email chris@boltonlanguages.co.uk or call 07917 848745.

First kick Football Club

This club starts on Thursday 25th September and is open to children from YR-Y6. It is a 12-week course taking place at Southlands High School. For more details or to book please go to www.firstkick.co.uk or call Daniel on 01772 428086 or 07514 316534.

Pre-Loved Uniform

Christine Farrington is still organising this great service for parents. If you require any pre-loved uniform please email Christine **euxtoncofeuniform@gmail.com** or visit the Facebook page **Euxton C of E Pre-loved Uniform**. Any donations of uniform can be handed in at the school office. Thank you again to Christine for providing this much needed service for our parents.

Walking Dogs to School

Last Friday, there was an incident outside our neighbouring school St. Mary's, where a loose dog managed to get onto the school premises on the grass at the front entrance. Unfortunately it frightened some of their Y1 and Reception children. The situation was made more distressing by the fact that the loose dog had an altercation with a parent's dog. Luckily no one was harmed in the event but both schools have agreed to raise awareness again for the need for families who are dog owners to be extra vigilant. St. Mary's have now informed their parents that no dogs are allowed through the green gates at the bottom of the drive and beyond the rainbow on school grounds.

We understand walking your child(ren) to and from school is an ideal opportunity to walk dogs. However, the safety and wellbeing of our children, families, staff and community is paramount. Also, some children feel intimidated or unsure of dogs.

Please can I remind our parents that if you are walking to school with a dog, please ensure that you follow our school's current guidelines which is to ensure that all dogs are kept on a short lead and dogs must be walked up the drive keeping to the pavement. Please remain at a reasonable distance from St. Mary's and the school gate to enable children and adults to enter and exit safely. We'd ask you to pass this information on to other adults who bring and/or collect your child(ren) from school. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding to ensure the safety of children, families and dogs.

School Games Award



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the 2024/25 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. Thank you to Mr Westwell our PE lead and to all the staff team, volunteers and parents who have helped us over the year and made competitions possible.

Enjoy your weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Mairi Ash Headteacher