



Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16

Friday 5th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer holiday. We've had a great first week but there are some very tired faces this afternoon!

Unfortunately, Jam Coding have had to cancel their club this term. They will offer it again for the spring term. If you have booked with them, they will be in touch with a refund.

Please ensure your contact details are up to date. We will conduct a full data collection next week to make sure our records are current.

Just a reminder that due to allergies we are a **NUT FREE school**. This includes **all types of tree and ground nuts as well as sesame seeds**. If your child accidentally brings in a product containing nuts, we will keep it safe and give it back to you at the end of the day. We will offer them a school snack as an alternative for that day.

INDOOR SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS - Youngsters aged 9 years old and above in the Under 11, Under 13, and Under 15 age groups are invited to attend sportshall athletics training sessions at Ellesmere Port Sports Village on Friday nights from 19th September between 6-8pm. There will be a charge of £3 per person to help cover the sportshall hire charge. West Cheshire Athletic Club is preparing to take part in the North West Sportshall Athletics League with fixtures scheduled to be held on Sundays, 5th October, 2nd November, 7th December, and 18th January. Further details from Dennis Wall 07968 643038 dennis.wall1@ntlworld.com

Don't forget - the National Emergency Alert test will be happening later this month. The UK government is testing the system on Sunday 7 September 2025 at 3pm. Your mobile phone or tablet will vibrate and make a loud siren-like sound, even if it's set on silent. The alert message will confirm this is a test and that you do not need to take any further action.

Music lessons with Music for Life start next week. Singing is on a Tuesday morning, Guitar and Ukulele are on a Thursday morning and Piano is on a Friday morning.

Volunteer Readers Needed! If you, or anyone you know, is able to donate an afternoon each week to listen to readers we would be incredibly grateful. We had great success with our volunteers last year and would love some more readers this year. Please do get in touch with aevans@ecclestonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk if you can help!

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At Eccleston C.E. Primary, we know that good attendance is vital for children to thrive, achieve their potential, and enjoy all the opportunities school offers.

A few key reminders from our Attendance & Punctuality Policy:

- **Every day counts** – children must attend school unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- **Reporting absence** – please notify the office by **9am** on the first and each subsequent day of absence (phone 01244 506560 or email admin@ecclestonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)
- **Punctuality matters** – gates open at 8:30am, classrooms at 8:45am, and registers close at 9:00am. Arrivals after 9:25am are recorded as an unauthorised absence.
- **Authorised vs unauthorised absence** – only the school can authorise an absence; holidays during term time will not normally be approved.
- **Exceptional Leave** – requests must be made in advance using the Exceptional Leave of Absence form.
- **Support is available** – if you're struggling with attendance, please speak to us so we can work together.

You can read the full Attendance Policy and find details about requesting **Exceptional Leave of Absence** here: [Eccleston Primary Attendance Information](#)

Best regards,

Kathryn Rees-Wright

Dates

Wednesday 10th September – Meet the Teacher at 3.15pm (Rabbits Early Reading Session)

Friday 12th September – Reception Parents Lunch in school – please book on School Spider

Wednesday 17th September – SEN Parents Meeting to share Plans for the term

Saturday 20th September - 9.30-11am Open Morning for New Reception Starters

Sunday 21st September - Messy Church 10.45am at Pulford

Wednesday 24th September - Parentalk course all day £10

Thursday 25th September – Duke of Westminster opening the Sensory Garden at 10am

Wednesday 8th October 1.30pm – Open Afternoon for New Reception Starters

Saturday 18th October – West Cheshire Athletic Club Schools Cross Country Race Series 2025/26

At Ellesmere Port Sports Village, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port, Registration from 9.30am for school years 3 & 4 and from 10am for school years 5-8.

Sunday 19th October - Messy Church 10.45am at Eccleston

Tuesday 21st October – Reception Parents Evening

Wednesday 22nd October – Individual and Sibling Photographs

Wednesday 22nd October – Rabbits Stay and Play 2-3pm for Parents

Friday 24th October – Last Day. Harvest Festival in Church at 1.30pm

Tuesday 4th November – Children return after half term

Saturday 15th November 9.30-11am Open Morning for New Reception Starters

Sunday 16th November - Messy Church 10.45am at Pulford

Wednesday 19th November 2.30pm – Squirrel Class Assembly for Parents

Monday 24th November – Friday 28th November – Parents' Evening Week

Saturday 29th November – Eccleston Village Christmas Fayre – choir to open the Fayre with carols

Saturday 29th November – West Cheshire Athletic Club Schools Cross Country Race Series 2025/26
At Ellesmere Port Sports Village, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port, Registration from 9.30am for school years 3 & 4 and from 10am for school years 5-8.

Wednesday 3rd December - Rabbits Stay and Play 2-3pm for Parents

Monday 8th December 1-3pm – Year 5 and 6 Carol Service at Chester Cathedral

Wednesday 10th December – 2pm and 5pm Christmas Performance

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Jumper day for £1 donation and Christmas lunch

Thursday 18th December 10.15am – Pantomime at Storyhouse

Friday 19th December – 1.30pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church

Sunday 21st December - Messy Church 10.45am at Eccleston

Tuesday 6th January – children return after Christmas holiday

Wednesday 14th January – SEN Parents Meeting to share Plans for the term and review last term

Saturday 31st January – West Cheshire Athletic Club Schools Cross Country Race Series 2025/26

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At Ellesmere Port Sports Village, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port, Registration from 9.30am for school years 3 & 4 and from 10am for school years 5-8.

Monday 2nd February at 3.15pm – Year 4 Multiplication Check Meeting for Parents

Monday 9th February at 3.15pm – Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents

Friday 13th February – Last Day

Monday 23rd February - Children return after half term

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Saturday 7th March – West Cheshire Athletic Club Schools Cross Country Race Series 2025/26

At Ellesmere Port Sports Village, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port, Registration from 9.30am for school years 3 & 4 and from 10am for school years 5-8.

Wednesday 11th March 2.30pm – Badgers Class Assembly for Parents

Thursday 12th – Wednesday 18th March – Scholastic Book Fair. Use your World Book Day Vouchers for £1 off!

Monday 16th – Friday 20th March – Parents Evening Week

Wednesday 25th March 3pm – Phonics Screening Evening for Year 1 Parents

Wednesday 1st April – Last Day. Easter Service in Church at 1.30pm

Monday 20th April - children return after Easter holiday

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday – School closed

Wednesday 6th May - SEN Parents Meeting to share Plans for the term and review last term

Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May – Y6 SATs Week

Friday 22nd May – Last Day

Tuesday 2nd June - Children return after half term

Wednesday 3rd June at 2.30pm – Foxes Class Assembly for Parents

Monday 15th – Friday 19th June – School Sports Week

Wednesday 17th June 1.30pm – Sports Day

Monday 22nd June to Friday 26th June – Y6 Residential to Min y Don

Wednesday 1st July – Reserve Sports Day

Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th July – Transition morning – children move up to new class.

Wednesday 8th July – New Reception Starters

Wednesday 15th July – New Reception Starters afternoon and Parents' Meeting at 6pm

Wednesday 22nd July – Last day. 1.30pm Leavers and end of Year Service in Church