

Eccleston C.E. Aided Primary School

"Let your light shine" - Matthew 5:16

Friday 26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's World Mental Health Day on Friday 10th October. We are asking children to come in wearing uniform with an addition of yellow to mark the occasion – yellow t-shirt, socks, hair accessory etc. In the afternoon, we will be completing PE, yoga and mindfulness as well as Badgers attending Forest Schools.

Junior Safety Officers Henry and Amelia are working with Mrs Smith to put on competitions and talk to children about how to keep themselves save especially with the nights getting darker. Currently, they are working on road safety including a competition for children to enter.

Rabbits had Forest School today and went off to the woods. They thoroughly enjoyed working with Mrs Davies and being in nature. Foxes have forest school next Friday – please send wellies or suitable outdoor shoes.

What an amazing day yesterday! The Long Sensory Garden Opening was just fabulous. An unbelievably large 'Thank You!' to the Long Family and everyone else who made it happen. Thanks to Nicola, Rebecca and Jade for helping out with the tea and cakes. Thank you to all the parents who have contributed time and money for the project – your support is very much appreciated. The Duke thoroughly enjoyed his visit and was surprised at how much the school had changed since he attended. Please see the photos of memories made on Dojo. Look out for a story in the papers next week!

Ethos, School Council and Eco elections will be held next week. Please see Dojo for more information.

Just a reminder that due to allergies we are a **NO NUTs 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.

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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Each week, Mrs White will share information about a service or charity that may be helpful for parents of children with additional needs.

SPACE in Chester is a charity that offers a range of support services for families of children with additional needs, including accessible play facilities, sibling support groups, parent/carer support, and training sessions.

https://spacecheshire.org/

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Staff Training

Each week, we'll share the training our staff have taken part in to help them better support the children and grow as experts in their field.

Mrs Haslam and Miss James attended a speech and language course on Wednesday. They have completed their 'Level 1&2 Gestalt Language Processing course' to help further support our learners with Speech and Language needs.

Mrs Evans and Mrs Rees-Wright attended 'How Inspectors Will Inspect and How Schools Can Prepare - Early Years Focus' on Tuesday afternoon looking at the changes to the Inspection Framework for Early Years and best practice in supporting our youngest learners.

Mrs Rees-Wright attended training on creating a Net Zero Action Plan on Wednesday afternoon – moving school towards a greater level of sustainability. The Eco Council will also be leading on this.

Best regards

Kathryn Rees-Wright

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Dates

Sunday 5th October – Water station at school for the marathon.

Wednesday 8th October 1.30pm – Open Afternoon for 2026 New Reception Starters

Friday 10th October - World Mental Health Day - wear yellow

Tuesday 14th October – Xplore! Visit to school. Three: A Magic Number 09.15 – 10.15 (Year 3 & 4). All One Body 10:45 – 11.45 (Year 5 & 6)

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 – Rabbits and Squirrel trip to 'Imagine That' in Liverpoool Science themed.

More information to follow

Tuesday 21st October – Reception Parents Evening

Wednesday 22nd October – Individual and Sibling Photographs

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

Thursday 23rd October – PTA LIGHT DISCO – more details to follow

Friday 24th October – Last Day. Harvest Festival in Church at 1.30pm Children can be collected from school at 2.15pm but school will be open until 3.15pm as usual.

Tuesday 4th November – Children return after half term

Wednesday 12th November – Badgers and Foxes visit to Broughton Cineworld to watch Kensuke's Kingdom – details to follow

Saturday 15th November 9.30-11am Open Morning for 2026 New Reception Starters

Sunday 16th November - Messy Church 10.45am at Pulford

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

Friday 21st November – Break the Rules Day

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

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Saturday 31st January – 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.

Monday 2^{nd} February at 3.15pm - Year 4 Multiplication Check Meeting for Parents Monday 9^{th} February at 3.15pm - Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents Friday 13^{th} 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 f1 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

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