

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

### FEBRUARY

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Year 5 last Swimming lesson

Thu 13<sup>th</sup> Class Group Photo Day

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Finish for Half Term



## WEEKLY UPDATE

This week has been a real showcase of Children's Mental Health Week. Your children may have spoken to you about the Disney characters from 'Inside Out'. The focus of the week has been 'Know yourself, grow yourself'. You will see on our Twitter/X page that the children have experienced a range of activities to support them in understanding themselves well.

We have finished the week off by supporting NSPCC Number Day. The children look fabulous representing numbers in their outfits! A big thank you to Mrs Lancaster for organising the day and sharing a range of activities for the children.

One more week until a well-deserved rest for your children. Thank you for supporting school in keeping attendance as high as possible. Our teachers are amazing, but they cannot teach empty chairs. Higher attendance will improve outcomes for our children across the school. The children really enjoy having Chip visit the winning class each week too.

We have partnered with North West School Centred Initial Teacher Training Link (North West SCITT). You will see posters and banners around school over the coming weeks. If you, or someone you know, has an interest in training to be a teacher, please get in touch.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Todd



## FEPS KEY DATES FEBRUARY

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> **NON-UNIFORM DAY**  
Easter Chocolate donations

### MARCH

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> **FAMILY EASTER BINGO & EASTER RAFFLE**

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> **NON-UNIFORM DAY**  
Colour Raffle donations more information to follow

**BYOB BINGO**

Join us for a night of fun and games at our Bingo Night!  
Bring Your Own Bottle! (and your glass!)

**FRIDAY 21ST MARCH FROM 6-8PM (ISH !)**  
ADULT TICKET INC P15 £8 | CHILD TICKET INC P15 £6  
CHILD TICKET INC SLICE OF PIZZA £2  
ADULT TICKET £3 | CHILD TICKET £1  
TICKET PRICE INCLUDES 1 BOOK OF BINGO TICKETS - MORE BOOKS CAN BE PURCHASED ON THE NIGHT!

GAMES | HOT FOOD | TUCKSHOP | RAFFLE  
FOOD MUST BE ORDERED IN ADVANCE CHOOSING THE CORRECT TICKET TYPE ON PARENT PAY

## Star of the Week

Beechbuds – Maggie B

Reception – Jude A

Year 1 – Philippa G

Year 2 – Elizabeth B

Year 3 – Oaklen T

Year 4 – Annie F

Year 5 – Edward K

Year 6 – Ewan G



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## HOUSES POINTS



**THUNBERG**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**



**RASHFORD**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**



**STOREY**

**4<sup>th</sup>**



**PEAKE**

**1<sup>st</sup>**

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The National average for attendance is 96%

Our school attendance target is for 97%.

**whole school 94.51%**

Class	This week
Reception	89.1%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	97.4%
Year 4	90.7%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	94.1%

Well done **Year 3** for great attendance this week! Chip is looking forward to accompanying you in class next week.

## READERS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that won Reader of the Week today! Please can we remind everyone to take great care of their home reading books so they remain in good condition. Please return your reading bag with reading pal and book by next Thursday. Thank you.





Please don't forget to send your pictures and comments to [wearereaders@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:wearereaders@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk)

## TOAST

If you would like your child to have toast during break times next term, please make your payment via ParentPay by 24th February.







## NEXT WEEKS SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WEEK 2	 MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Puff Pastry Pizza Swirl	Toad in the Hole, with Mashed Potato & Gravy	Homemade Caribbean Curry with Rice & Naan Bread	Roast Gammon with Roasties & Gravy	Battered Fish Fillet
MAIN DISH 2	Quorn Meat & Potato Pie	Spanish Chicken with Paprika Potatoes	Fish Finger Barm, with Herby Potatoes	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Sausage Roll Chicken Nuggets
ACCOMPANIMENTS 	Sweetcorn & Beans Salad bar	Peas & carrots Salad bar	Green Beans & Sweetcorn Salad bar	Cauliflower, Broccoli & Carrots Salad bar	Potato Wedges, Peas & Beans Salad bar
DESSERTS	Chocolate Cake	Flapjack	Fruit Crumble & Custard	Homemade Cookie	Fresh Fruit Friday
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt
JACKET POTATO AND SANDWICH SELECTION	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	

Try something NEW today... Variety is key to a healthy diet.

# MENU

**KEY**  - 10F YOUR 5 A DAY  - MEAT-FREE MONDAY  - CHEF'S CHOICE  - PLANT-BASED (VEGAN)

\*Allergens and intolerances\* All of our food is lovingly hand crafted and prepared on site daily. We have an allergen procedure in place, so please ensure you make our catering team aware of your allergens/ your child's allergens prior to using the restaurant. Our kitchens are used for multi-purpose production so we cannot guarantee the above dishes are completely free from allergenic ingredients or traces of these.

## SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT



We are incredibly proud to share that one of our talented Year 4 children has signed a contract with Preston North End this week! This is a fantastic achievement and a testament to his hard work, dedication, and passion for football.

Well done! We can't wait to see what the future holds for you. Keep chasing your dreams!



## KEY SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN

### Do not talk to strangers

If someone you don't know approaches you, keep a safe distance and do not engage in conversation.

### Never accept gifts or lifts

Even if someone offers sweets, money, or a lift, always say no and walk away quickly.

### Stay in safe areas

Avoid walking alone in quiet places. Stick to well-lit, busy areas where there are other people around.

### Tell a trusted adult

Always let your parents or carers know where you are going and when you will be home.

### Know what to do in an emergency

If you ever feel scared or threatened, run to a safe place, such as a shop or a friend's house, and call 999 if necessary.

By following these simple rules, children can help keep themselves safe when out and about. We encourage all parents and carers to discuss these safety tips with their children to reinforce the importance of staying aware and making safe choices.



# Shine AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOP



Shine After School Arts Programme is designed to build children's confidence, self-esteem and emotional wellbeing through creativity.

This nurturing programme builds children's confidence, mental health and wellbeing through relaxing and creative arts for Year 2 to Year 6 children. Activities include painting, drawing, modelling, crafting, clay work and more. Hosted by our very own Mary Poppins, Mrs Hayley Coggins.

## Eccleston Primary School After School Workshop.

**Starting 26th February 2025 for Year 2 to 6**  
**Every Wednesday from 3.20pm-4.30pm.**  
**6 weeks workshop for £60** including all materials.

Spaces are limited, please book via ParentPay or contact the school office for more information.



Shine

The Shine Programme runs all year round and is currently well established in several schools across Lancashire. Proudly featured at John Lewis, Waterstones, Wayfarers Arcade and Southport Flower Show 2024.

### Important Update – Changes to Education-related Penalty Notices

#### Information for Parents

You may be aware that the Department for Education has announced national changes to the use of penalty notices issued for unauthorised absence in term time. These changes come into effect on 19 August 2024.

The changes to be aware of are:

- Penalty notices issued for offences that take place after 19 August 2024 will be charged at a new rate of £160 per parent per child. This can be paid at £80 if paid within 21 days.
- Any second penalty notice issued to the same parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period will be issued at the rate of £160 to be paid within 28 days with no option for a discounted rate.
- The threshold at which a penalty notice **must** be considered is set at 10 sessions (equivalent to 5 days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school week period<sup>1</sup>. This may include absences as a result of arriving late after the register closes. The 10 school weeks may span different terms or school years.
- A maximum of 2 penalty notices may be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period, so at the 3rd (or subsequent) offence(s) another course of action will need to be considered (such as prosecution or one of the other attendance legal interventions).
- Only penalty notices issued for absences taking place after 19 August 2024 will count towards the above thresholds.

#### Absences can have a lasting effect on learning

Missing a week of school means your child will miss around 25 hours of learning

This creates gaps in their knowledge and could mean they will not meet their full potential

<sup>1</sup> A school week is any week in which a school meets at least once.

## Choose fun at



17th - 21st  
February

7:30am -  
6:00pm

HOLIDAY CLUB

Ofsted Registered

A menu  
of 50+  
activities

3-12  
years

## HALF TERM

Eccleston Primary School  
Doctors lane  
Eccleston  
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Book online at [www.fun-fest.co.uk](http://www.fun-fest.co.uk)

Enquiries to 07392 790727 or

[chorleyoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk](mailto:chorleyoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk)

# February Half-Term

17th - 21st February 2025

CHORLEY - Eccleston



HOLIDAY CLUB

AM

PM

	AM	PM
Mon	Crafty Creations	Crazy Golf
Tues	Down in the Jungle 3-7 Bonkers Bingo 8-12	Sports Action
Weds	Movie Magic	Fun Fit 3-4 Benchball 5-12
Thurs	Imagineering 3-7 Dream Makers 8-12	Sports Action
Fri	Lego Adventure	Movie Magic
		Fun Day Friday

