

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 17th April 2026



WHAT A WELCOME!

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all the pupils, families and staff at Eccleston Primary for making my first week so memorable. It has been a busy but thoroughly enjoyable start, and I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to begin getting to know the children and learning more about life within the Eccleston Primary community.

I have been particularly impressed by the pupils' excellent manners, their positive attitudes to learning, and the high standard of behaviour across the school. It is clear that Eccleston Primary is a very special place to be.

With many exciting events planned for the Summer Term, I am very much looking forward to the weeks ahead and to continue to meet more of you as the term progresses.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to the new pupils and families who will be joining us in September 2026. We will be in touch with further information about our new starter events in due course, and we are very much looking forward to getting to know you and your children.

Emma Cooper **Headteacher**

ECO TEAM REQUEST – GARDENING DONATIONS

This term, children are learning about plants and improving our outdoor areas. We would really appreciate donations of compost, seeds, plants, or unused gardening items (e.g. pots, trellises).

Especially helpful:

- Seeds
- Bedding plants
- Edible Herbs

Thank you for your support!

Arbor

Please sign up to the Arbor App as soon as possible, as it will soon be our main way of sharing important updates about your child. 77% of parents have already logged in, if you haven't, please do so now to avoid missing key information.

Visit <https://login.arbor.sc> and log in using your registered email (use "Forgot your password?" if needed).

WONDERFUL NEWS FROM MRS DAVIES

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Mrs Davies and her husband welcomed a beautiful baby boy on 18th March. They have named him Rhys. Please join us in congratulating the whole family on their lovely new arrival and wishing them all the very best at this special time.



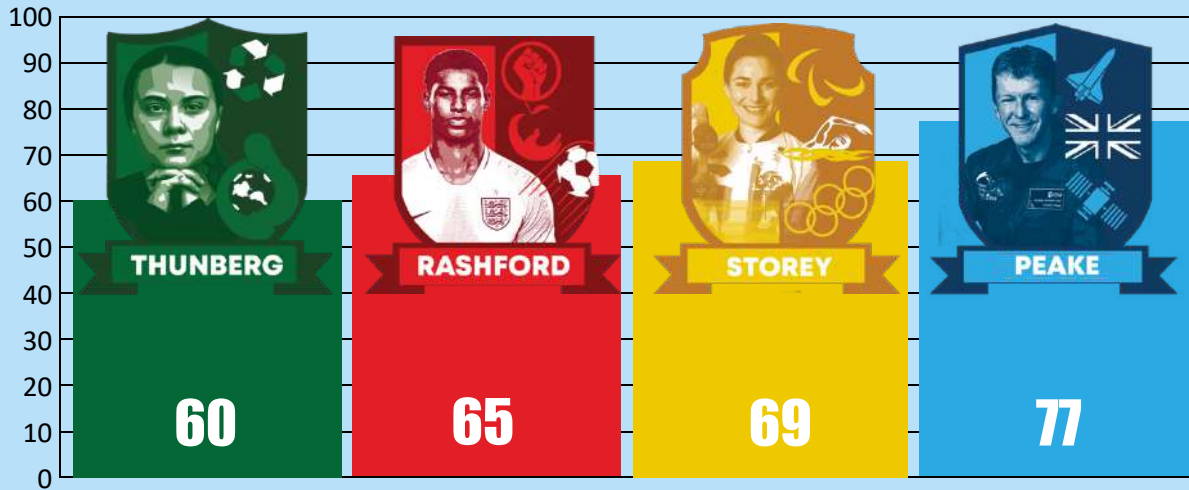
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HOUSE POINTS

House to reach 50, 100 and 150 points will receive a special treat!



Points

SPORTS DAY – WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY

We're excited to be holding our annual Sports Day on Wednesday 20th May and look forward to welcoming families to join us for a fun-filled day!

Children are invited to wear a t-shirt in their team colour: Yellow (Sarah Storey), Red (Marcus Rashford), Green (Greta Thunberg) or Blue (Tim Peake). They should also wear their usual PE shorts and trainers. Please remember sun hats, water bottles and sun cream if needed. Children should come to school in uniform and will get changed during the day.

Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

Families can arrive from 9:45am, with events starting at 10:00am. The morning session will finish at around 11:30am.

Key Stage 2 (Year 3, 4, 5 & Year 6)

Families can arrive from 1:00pm, with events beginning at 1:15pm.

If you have children in both key stages, you are welcome to attend both sessions.

There will be limited seating available, so feel free to bring a chair or blanket. Refreshments will also be available to purchase.

Children should arrive and leave school at their normal times.

In the event of poor weather, we will notify families via ParentApp.

We're looking forward to a fantastic day of fun and celebration!

READERS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all our Reader of the Week winners! Please take care of home reading books so they stay in good condition, and remember to return your reading bag (with reading pal and book) next Thursday.

Thank you.



Please don't forget to send your pictures and comments to wearereaders@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk



Beechbuds – Albert K

Reception – Finn U

Year 1 – Ophelia C

Year 2 – Florence G

Year 3 – Reuben B

Year 4 – Maggie S

Year 5 – Darcey T

Year 6 – Edward K



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The National average for attendance is 96%. Our school attendance target is 97%.

Attendance Over One School Year

If a student had:

- 98% attendance = less than 4 days absent from school
- 95% attendance = less than 10 days absent from school
- 90% attendance = 4 weeks absent from school
- 85% attendance = 5½ weeks absent from school
- 80% attendance = 7½ weeks absent from school

Attendance over 4 year (Years 3-6)


If a student had:


- 85% attendance = having about half a year off school
- 80% attendance = having two whole terms off school

whole school **94.02%**





Class	This week
Reception	90.9%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	91.2%
Year 3	96.6%
Year 4	97.3%
Year 5	93.5%
Year 6	93.3%

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Homemade Italian Style Pizza served with Wedges	Homemade Cottage Pie	Chicken Tikka served on a bed of Rice with Naan Bread	Homemade Lasagne	Battered Cod fillet
MAIN DISH 2	Mac and Cheese with a Garlic Slice	Hot Dog Sausages served with Potato Salad	Ham and Cheese Swirls	Cheese Panini or Ham and Cheese Panini served with Herby Potatoes	Sausage Roll Chicken Goujons
ACCOMPANIMENTS 	Corn on the Cob Baked Beans Salad bar	Baton carrots Cabbage Salad bar	Sweetcorn Baked Beans Salad bar	Green Beans Garden Salad Salad bar	Fries Curry Sauce Sweetcorn Baked Beans Salad bar
DESSERTS	Homemade Muffin of the Week	Flapjack	Ice Cream Pots	Raspberry Buns	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	Sandwich selection



Fuel your afternoon with a healthy school lunch from Mellors

KEY  - 1 OF 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.





After School Clubs Summer 1 13/04/26 – 22/05/26

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime					YOGA & MINDFULNESS Y3 6 weeks – Miss Phillips 17/04/2026 – 23/05/2026
After School Club	CARD GAMES CLUB Y3 5 weeks – Mrs Barker-Gaskell 13/04/2026 – 22/05/2026 <small>4TH MAY IS A BANK HOLIDAY</small> PHONICS Y1 5 weeks – Mrs Thomas 13/04/2026 – 22/05/2026 <small>4TH MAY IS A BANK HOLIDAY</small>	SATS BOOSTER Y6 5 weeks – Mr Brindle 24/03/2026 – 05/05/2026 GARDENING CLUB Y4 Mr Frost 14/04/2026 – Until planting is complete	MIXED FOOTBALL TRAINING Y5/6 6 weeks – Chorley Sports 15/04/2026 – 21/05/2026 TAEKWONDO YR-6 6 weeks – Eddie Ellison 15/04/2026 – 21/05/2026 FRENCH CLUB YR-6 Mrs Roden 15/04/2026 – 21/05/2026	NETBALL Y5/6 6 weeks – Chorley Sports 16/04/2026 – 22/05/2026 SPANISH CLUB YR-6 Mrs Roden 16/04/2026 – 22/05/2026	



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Drop-in Family Support Sessions



Abdul Logde – Senior Family Support Worker (Community Team)

Caz Edwards – Eccleston Primary School Family Support Worker

We will be in school to support families from January 2026

2026 DATES
9am – 10am

8th January 2026
22th January 2026
5th February 2026

12th March 2026
26th March 2026
9th April 2026
23rd April 2026
7th May 2026

21st May 2026
4th June 2026
18th June 2026
2nd July 2026
16th July 2026

How I Can Help: Advice and support for families • Signposting to services



Early Help

Early Help means giving families support early, before small problems become big ones. It's your choice to take part and we work together to find solutions that fit your family.



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