Euxton Primrose Hill
WEDNESDAY WEEKLY
4th November 2026

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"Together We Will Make A Difference."

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Welcome back to Autumn Term 2!

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely half-term break and had the opportunity to spend some quality time together.

Before we finished for half-term, we held our PTA Halloween discos. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who volunteered their time and supported these events. Your help is always greatly appreciated and helps to make these occasions so special for the children.

We have also had an exciting start to the new half term, with work beginning this week on the installation of our new stage on the upper playground and a mud kitchen on the lower playground. These fantastic additions have only been possible thanks to the funds raised through your generosity and support at our school events. Thank you!

Our next fundraising goal is to raise £2,000 towards creating our very own house village on the school field. We are looking forward to making this happen!

We have another busy and exciting half term ahead at Primrose Hill, with lots of learning, activities and events planned. Please take a moment to check the important dates listed at the bottom of this newsletter, as well as our school calendar on the website, so that you don't miss anything.

You can find the calendar here:
https://www.primrosehillschool.org.uk/calendar

With Bonfire Night tomorrow, I hope you all have a lovely evening if you are celebrating. Please remember to take care, stay safe, and enjoy the celebrations!

Best Wishes

Mrs Claire Jones
Headteacher

STAFF WELFARE TEAM VACANCY

A vacancy has arisen on the staff welfare team for 1.5 hours a day between the hours of 12.00pm to 1.30pm Monday to Friday. We are looking for somebody who wishes to make pupils' lunchtime experience as positive as possible. The position will be paid at £13.45 per hour. All successful candidates will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check.

Should you be interested in this position, please contact the school bursar, bursar@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk for an application form.

📅 Attendance & Absence

We strongly encourage good attendance to support your child's learning and progress.

🔹 If your child is unwell, please contact the school office by 9:00am on each day of absence.
📞 01257 276688
✉️ office@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk

🔹 **Be specific**:
It's important to give a clear reason – for example:
✅ "Tonsillitis" or "Sickness and temperature"
❌ Not just "unwell" or "poorly".

This helps us meet safeguarding and health requirements

📬 Communicating with Us

If you need to get in touch, please email the school office in the first instance:

✉️ office@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk

Your message will be passed on to the relevant member of staff.

We aim to respond as soon as we can, but please allow up to 48 hours for a reply during term time.

For urgent matters during the school day, please phone the school office directly on: 01257 276688

⚠️ If You're Concerned About Something…

We want to work in partnership with you.
If you're ever worried or unhappy about a situation, please follow this order of contact, via the school office:

- **Class Teacher** – your first point of contact
- **Phase Leader** – if further support is needed:

EYFS & Year 1 - Mr Danny Tooby
Year 2 – Miss Amie Dobbs
Years 3/4 – Mr Lloyd Davies
Years 5/6 – Miss Molly Burns

- **Assistant Headteacher** - Miss Amie Dobbs
- **Deputy Headteacher –** Mrs Emma Swinburn

Headteacher – Mrs Claire Jones

We're here to help and will always do our best to resolve any concerns quickly and fairly.

👕 Jewellery & Appearance

To keep everyone safe and focused on learning:

🔹 **No jewellery** – including earrings (studs/spacers), rings, bracelets, necklaces, loom bands, or wristbands

🔹 **No earrings or spacers** – these are a safety risk, especially during play and PE

🔹 **No nail varnish or make-up** – children should come to school with natural nails and faces

Thank you for your support!

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY - FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2026

We will be supporting Children in Need Day on **Friday 13th November 2026.** Children should come to school in **full school uniform**, but they can add a touch of Pudsey spirit by wearing an accessory for example:

🐻 Pudsey ears, 🎀 hair bobbles, jumper or 🟡 something yellow!

We look forward to seeing everyone add a little yellow sparkle to the day while supporting this fantastic cause! 💛

(Link will be on ParentPay).

ODD SOCKS DAY - MONDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2026







To mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day on **Monday 16th November 2026.**

Odd Socks Day is a fun way to celebrate what makes us all unique, remind children that it's okay to be different, and encourage everyone to embrace individuality. We are asking all children and staff to wear odd socks to show their support!

This year's theme is 'Break the Silence', which focuses on encouraging children to speak up, share their worries and seek help if they or someone they know is experiencing bullying.

Remember: **Be yourself, celebrate differences and help break the silence!**

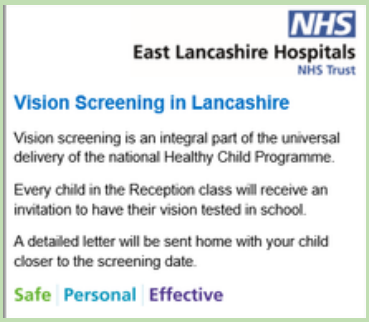
EYFS VISION SCREENING IN SCHOOL - THURSDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2026

Vision screening will be taking place in school on **Thursday 3rd December 2026** for all children in EYFS.

Please note that this is an opt-out system, meaning all children will receive vision screening unless a completed reply slip is returned to school to opt out.

A letter explaining the screening process will be sent home next week. Please check your child's school bag for the information and reply slip.

Thank you for your cooperation!





Tel: 01257 276688 (8:15am-3:45pm) Email: office@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk

Out of school Club, please contact Sarah Collison 07548 944202 or s.collison@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk

POPPY APPEAL

Poppies will be sold at breaktimes by the Year 6 students from **Monday 2nd to Friday 6th November 2026.**

Pupils can bring money/donation into school to purchase the poppies.

Thank You!



£1 IN A BOX



£1 in a box is open to all parents with ParentPay and all staff. For each £1 paid you will be allocated a number ie: £1 equals one number, £5 equals five numbers.

The draw will take place on **Monday 7th December 2026** and the winners will be announced in the Wednesday Weekly on the **9th December 2026.** Half the money raised goes to the PTA and the other half is split 60/40.



LEYLAND BONFIRE & FIREWORK DISPLAY 2026



It's back! 🔥🎇
Leyland Round Table is bringing the Bonfire & Fireworks Display back to Worden Park on Thursday 5th November 2026, and we can't wait to see you there!

Bring the family along for a brilliant Bonfire Night, with:
🎇 A spectacular pyro-musical fireworks display
🔥 Our huge bonfire
🎠 Funfair rides for all ages
🎵 Live music and entertainment
🍔 Plenty of hot food and warming drinks

And don't worry about carrying cash — both cash and card are accepted across the park. 💳

🕒 Timings
• Gates open: 5:30pm
• Bonfire lit: 6:30pm
• Fireworks: 8:00pm

🎟️ Tickets
• Advance tickets: £7
• Group tickets: available for 4 people
• On the night: £10
• Under 5s: FREE!

https://fixr.co/event/bonfire-fireworks-display-2026-tickets-482976670?ref=r_9qh1

Pupil Achievements and Celebrations

WOW - Walk to School Challenge

This month our class winners for the October WOW challenge are:
KS1 - Cedar
KS2 - Olympus





Birthday Books

Thank you to the following pupil for donating their favourite book to celebrate their birthday this term:

Eleanor in Oak - 'Giraffes can't Dance'

Reminders And To Do



Nut and Allergy Awareness

As we cannot guarantee that our school environment is completely free from nuts, we ask all families to help us reduce the risk to children and adults with nut allergies.

Please do not send snacks or food products containing nuts into school, including products such as Nutella, Reese's and Kinder Bueno.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a safe and inclusive environment for everyone.

School Notices

All School

Pantomine visits now on ParentPay - Cut off for consent Friday 27th November 2026.

Y6 Class Notices

Liverpool World Museum now on ParentPay - Cut off for consent Wednesday 11th November 2026.

Dates for the Diary 2026-2027

November 2026

12th Travelling Science - Years 1 to 6 *
13th Children In Need Day *
16th Odd Socks Day
19th Open Day - 1.45pm–2.45pm
20th Primrose Buds - 9.00am–10.15am
25th Y6 Liverpool World Museum Trip
27th PTA-Non Uniform Day - Donation of coloured items, more information next week **

December 2026

1st School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
2nd Autumn Rocksteady Concert - 9.30am & 2.15pm
3rd PTA Christmas Shopping Night
3rd EYFS Vision Screening *
4th PTA - Reindeer Run
4th Primrose Buds - Reindeer Dash 9.00am-10.15am
8th Y2 Nativity - 2pm
9th EYFS, Y1 & Y2 Pantomine - Jack & the Beanstalk
10th Christmas Jumper Day
10th Y3&Y4 Christmas Performance 9.30-10.30am
10th Y3&Y4 Christmas Performance 2.00-3.00pm
11th ROCK KIDS!
14th Autumn Read Deadline (30 reads)
14th KS2 Panto - Octagon Theatre - Cinderella
14th Y1 Sing-a-Long - 2.30-3.00pm
15th Y2 Grandparents Afternoon - 1.30pm
16th Report Cards
16th EYFS Nativity - 10am
17th Y5 & Y6 Carol Concert - in school - 9am & 2pm
18th Final day of Autumn Term 2-MERRY CHRISTMAS!

January 2027

4th Start of Spring Term 1
5th School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
7th Open Day - 9.15am–10.15am
29th Primrose Buds - 9.00am–10.15am

February 2027

2nd School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm (only KS2 & Y6 Sports Councillors needed)
9th Safer Internet Day
11th Y1, Y2 & Y3-PTA Valentines Disco - 5.30pm–6.30pm
11th Y4, Y5 & Y6-PTA Valentines Disco - 6.45pm–7.45pm
12th PTA - Non Uniform Day
12th End of Spring Term 1
15-19th SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY
22nd Start of Spring Term 2
22nd World Thinking Day, Rainbows, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts can wear their uniform
25th Houses of Parliament Trip, London
26th Primrose Buds - 9.00am-10.15am

March 2027

2nd School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
3rd Y1 Lowry Visit (in school)
5th World Book Day
9th Y3 Deva Roman Museum Visit
15th Parents Evening
18th Y2 Helmshore Mill Visit
19th PTA Non Uniform Day - Chocolate donation
19th Primrose Buds - 9.00am–10.15am
24th Spring Rocksteady Concert - 9.30am & 3.15pm
24th Report Cards
24th PTA Bunnies Bingo - 6pm
25th Easter Bonnet Day
25th PTA - Non Uniform Day
25th End of Spring Term 2 - HAPPY EASTER!

April 2027

12th Start of Summer Term 1
12th Y5 Bikeability
13th Y5 Bikeability
15th Y5 Bikeability
16th Y5 Bikeability
23rd Primrose Buds - 9.00am–10.15am
29th Y4 Ben Nevis - Cuerden Valley Trip
30th Y4 Snowdon - Cuerden Valley Trip

*New date added **Information or date amended

Dates for the Diary 2026-2027

May 2027

3rd May Bank Holiday
4th School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
4th EYFS 2027 New Starters Parents Evening-6.15pm–7.00pm
10-13th Y6 SATS Week
20th PTA May Fair - 6.00pm–8.00pm
27th Sports Day
28th PTA - Non Uniform Day
28th End of Summer Term 1
31st May Bank Holiday

June 2027

7th INSET DAY
8th INSET DAY
9th Start of Summer Term 2
15th School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
14-16th Y5 Hothersall Lodge Residential
16th Y6 Enterprise Day
17th Sports Day (reserve date)
22nd Y1 Bring Yer Wellies Trip
23rd Y1 Bring Yer Wellies Trip
23rd Y2 & Y6 Childsafe - 10.30am
24th Y2 Bee Centre Visit
25-28th Y6 Boreatton Park Residential
28th EYFS 2027 Pupil Visits - 9.00am–11.15am
29th EYFS 2027 Pupil Visits - 9.00am–11.15am
30th EYFS 2027 Pupil Visits - 9.00am–11.15am

July 2027

1st Y4 Ben Nevis Sleepover
2nd Primrose Buds - 9.00am-10.15am
2nd Y4 Ben Nevis Tea Dance - 10.00am
6th School Council Meeting - 3.10pm-4.00pm
7th Y6 Leavers Performance - 6.00pm
8th Y4 Snowdon Sleepover
9th Y4 Snowdon Tea Dance - 10.00am
12th Meet the Teacher - 3.15pm
12th EYFS to Y1 Parents Transition Meeting - 6.00pm
14th Summer Rocksteady Concert - 9.15am & 2.15pm
16th End of Year Report Cards
19th Y6 Leavers Assembly - 2.00pm
20th Y6 Flower Bowl Trip
20th Final day of Summer Term - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
21st INSET DAY

We would also encourage you to visit the school website and explore the NEWS & EVENTS section, where you can subscribe to the school calendar. It's a simple and convenient way to keep up with everything happening across the school and make sure you don't miss any important dates, activities or special events. We look forward to sharing lots of exciting moments with you throughout the year.

Primrose Hill Clubs 2026 – 2027 – Autumn 2

Autumn w/c 28th Sept 2026 - w/c 9th Nov 2026
Spring w/c 4th Jan 2027 - w/c 8th Feb 2027
Summer w/c 19th April 2027 - w/c 24th May 2027

Name of Club	Run by	Day	Finish	Collect From
Yoga Y1&2	Miss Blackwell	Tuesday	3:45pm	Office
Crafty Club Y1&2	Mrs Hacking / Mrs Jotejko	Tuesday	4pm	Office
Art Club Y4,5,6	Mrs Bullock	Tuesday	4pm	Snowdon
Eco club (Y2-Y6)	Miss McKinley / Mrs Rigby	Every Tuesday (last session: 24.11.26)	4:30pm	Office
Games Club Y3&4	Mrs Murphy	Tuesday	4pm	Pendle
Yakkerty Yak Club	Mrs Yeoman	Wednesday	4pm	Office
Choir Y5&6	Mrs Swinburn / Miss Burns	Every Wednesday 14.10.26 – March	4pm	K2
Book Club Y6	Mrs Brockie	Every Thursday (01.10.26 – 25.03.27)	4pm	Everest
Singing & Signing Y1&2	Miss Pearson	Thursday	3:45pm	Elm
Construction Club Y1	Mr Tooby	Thursday	3:45pm	Office
OPAL Play Club	Mrs Jones / Miss Dobbs	Thursday	4pm	Office

Sports Clubs Autumn Term 2 – Collection from School Office

Name of Club	Run by	Day	Finish	Dates
Running Club Y3&4	Miss Ahmed	Tuesday	4:15pm	03.11.26 - 15.12.26
Orienteering Club Y4&5	Miss Ahmed	Wednesday	4:15pm	04.11.26 - 16.12.26
Boys Football Club Y3&4	Mr Davies	Wednesday	4.15pm	04.11.26 - 16.12.26
Running Club KS1	Miss Ahmed	Thursday	4pm	05.11.26 - 17.12.26
Boccia Club KS2	Miss Ahmed	Friday	4.15pm	06.11.26 – 18.12.26

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Primary School

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Primrose Buds

Free play and stay sessions for children aged 4 and under

Drinks

Songs

Toys

Stories

Friends

Autumn session dates

Friday **18th September** 2026

Friday **16th October** 2026

Friday **20th November** 2026

Friday **4th December** 2026

9am - 10.15am in the upper hall

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To book please call: 01257 276688
or scan the QR code



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OPEN DAYS



Monday 21st September 2026

Morning - 9:15am - 10:15am



Wednesday 14th October 2026

Morning - 9:15am - 10:15am



Thursday 19th November 2026

Afternoon - 1:45pm - 2:45pm

Thursday 7th January 2027

Morning - 9:15am - 10:15am

To book a place please call: 01257 276688

or scan the QR code

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

"Pupils flourish at this warm and welcoming school."

"Pupils' behaviour across the school is exemplary. Pupils are polite, caring and thoughtful."

"The school is highly ambitious for all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)."

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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones have become a huge part of young people's everyday lives, but new restrictions on their use in schools and proposed restrictions on social media are changing how children and young people can use them. This guide explores mobile phones, their use by young people, what the evidence tells us, the current and future legal position, and what parents and educators should do.

What are the risks?

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

The relationship between smartphone and social media use and young people's mental health is complex, and evidence does not establish a simple cause-and-effect relationship. Some researchers and commentators, however, including Jonathan Haidt, author of The Anxious Generation, argue that increased smartphone and social media use may be contributing to poorer mental health and wellbeing among young people.

LEARNING AND ATTENTION

Mobile phones can distract pupils from learning and make it harder to maintain attention and concentration. Research suggests that learning and attention have improved in schools that already prohibited mobile phone use, particularly among pupils with lower prior attainment. Now that the DfE's guidance on mobile phones is statutory, schools should ensure that the whole-school community understands and follows their policy, while monitoring how effectively it is implemented.

HARMFUL CONTENT AND BULLYING

Mobile phones can be a means of extending peer conflict from the community into schools and from schools back into the community. They also provide easy access to harmful and inappropriate content, including content that is sexually explicit, promotes self-harm or eating disorders, or is violent in nature. Exposure to this content can negatively affect children's mental health and wellbeing, potentially increasing the support they require from schools, parents, and support services.

EXCESSIVE SCREEN TIME

Ofcom research found that 13- to 14-year-olds spend an average of 4 hours 19 minutes online each day across smartphones, tablets, and computers. However, there is considerable variation between children, with some spending significantly more or less time online. Excessive screen time can contribute to disrupted sleep and fragmented attention, both of which can negatively affect children's mental health and wellbeing.

The current and upcoming rules

SCHOOL BANS

As of 1 September 2026, schools are expected to be phone-free environments by default, with any exceptions limited to specific circumstances. Schools can decide how best to implement this. For example, some may provide secure storage or collect phones at the beginning of the school day, while others may prohibit pupils from bringing them onto school premises altogether. Schools can also confiscate mobile phones in line with their behaviour policy, while searches for prohibited phones must follow the relevant legal requirements.

REASONABLE ADJUSTMENTS

Schools should make reasonable adjustments where necessary for disabled pupils and may allow exceptions in other circumstances, including where mobile phone use is necessary to support a medical condition or an identified need. For example, a pupil with diabetes may use a continuous glucose monitor linked to their mobile phone to monitor their blood sugar levels. Schools may also make adaptations where mobile phone use provides agreed support for pupils with SEND. Any exceptions should be clearly reflected in the school's policies and procedures.

ONLINE SAFETY ACT 2023 AND 2026 PROPOSALS

Platforms are required to protect children from harmful content and use age checks to prevent children from accessing pornography and certain other types of harmful content. In June 2026, the government announced that it intends to stop social media companies offering services to under-16s. These restrictions are expected to be introduced in spring 2027, but the precise scope and rules have not yet been confirmed.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

While there is ongoing debate about the relationship between smartphones, social media and young people's mental health, there are steps that parents and educators can take to help reduce the potential risks associated with their use:

1. Delay smartphones. Consider waiting until a child is 14 before giving them a smartphone. Where a child needs a device to contact family, a basic phone may be an alternative.
2. Delay social media. Consider delaying access to social media until the age of 16.
3. Support phone-free schools. Parents, pupils, and staff should understand and support the school's approach to mobile phones.
4. Encourage screen-free activities. Promote independent and outdoor play, alongside other activities that give children opportunities to socialise and spend time away from screens.

Meet Our Expert

Mark Emmerson OBE, CEO – City of London Academies Trust. With nearly 45 years' experience in inner-city education, including 26 years in senior leadership roles, Mark was an early advocate for tackling the risks of mobile phones in schools, introducing a ban as headteacher in 2000. He has also served as a national DfE adviser and held local authority roles, consistently driving improvements in pupil outcomes and Ofsted judgements, particularly in disadvantaged communities.



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