



Euxton Primrose Hill

WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

5th February 2025



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“Together We Will Make A Difference.”

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE:

We are extremely proud of our basketball team, who have made it through to the finals this Friday! We wish them the best of luck. They have shown great resilience in every game and have been fantastic role models for our school.

Our next Primrose Buds Stay and Play session will take place this Friday in the upper hall from 9:00am – 10:15am. If you'd like to join us, please scan the QR code on the poster below or contact the school office—we would love to see you there!

As we enter the time of year when colds and viruses are more common, we continue to remind children that regular handwashing is the best way to stay healthy and prevent the spread of germs. Here are some helpful resources for you as parents and carers with any concerns:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/baby/health/colds-coughs-and-ear-infections-in-children/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/hand-washing.html>

Mrs Claire Jones
Headteacher

EXCESSIVE LEAVE IN TERM TIME - S444 EDUCATION ACT 1996

Lancashire County Council are currently reviewing the arrangements for pupils who are absent from school due to unauthorised leave/holidays.

Attendance at school is vital to help children thrive and achieve their best. Children who are absent from school can fail to meet their academic potential and those who fall below 90% attendance are at significant risk of underachieving.

Absence during term time must be avoided. If you are considering taking your child out of school for any reason, it is essential that you request permission for the absence.

When penalty notices are issued, parents have the opportunity to discharge liability for an offence under S444 of the Education Act instead of being prosecuted by the Local Authority. The penalty notice regulations determine the amount of the penalty notice fine. Unfortunately, some parents are choosing to remove their children from school for longer periods, as the fine amount is the same regardless of the number of school days missed.

From 01/01/2025, the following rules will apply:

- 1.Unauthorised leave less than 15 school days: penalty notice issued
- 2.Unauthorised leave of 15 school days or more: the Local Authority will review any requests for penalty notices and may prosecute parents and not offer the opportunity to pay a penalty notice fine instead.

Failure to ensure your child's regular attendance at school is a criminal offence, and this means that if you are convicted, this could result in a fine of up to £2,500 and you will have a criminal record.

We have been asked by Lancashire County Council to issue this information to parents to inform you that this procedure will now be applied to all excessive leave requests made to this school.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Please find attached to the Wednesday Weekly an Introductory letter from Mrs Brockie regarding Children's University and a lantern activity that can be completed to earn credits.

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



Pupil Achievements and Celebrations

Super Pupils

YEAR 6

Everest - Mason P
K2 - Bobby C

EYFS

Grace W
Ivy H

YEAR 5

Mont Blanc - Leo D
Olympus - Maddison S

YEAR 1

Ash - Mabel West
Cedar - Emily K

YEAR 4

Ben Nevis - Stanley W
Snowdon - Pippa M

YEAR 2

Maple - T
Elm - Toby H

YEAR 3

Pendle - Lucia M
Rivington - Freddie H

House Point Winners

KS1
Red

KS2
Blue

Birthday Books

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

Arthur in Cedar- 'The Smartest Giant in Town'

Wow - Walk to School Challenge

Since returning from the Christmas break pupils have been taking part in the WOW - walk to school challenge. Each day pupils record their mode of travelling to school. This month our class winners for the WOW challenge are **Year 1 Ash Class**.

Reminders And To Do



We are a nut free school. Please do not bring any snacks into school which contain nuts, including Nutella products.



Y6 Boreatton Park - 2nd & 3rd instalment now overdue.



World Thinking Day - Friday 14th February - Beavers, Cubs and Scouts can wear their uniforms to school.



Y5 Hothersall Lodge - 3rd instalment due 21st February.



Please note that School Office opening hours are from 8:15am - 3:45pm

Out of School Club

We celebrated Chinese New year which in 2025 is the year of the Snake. In Chinese astrology the Snake is associated with intelligence, intuition and critical thinking. People born in the year of the Snake are thought to possess natural elegance and charm. May the year of the snake bring you harmony, abundance, wisdom and happiness. Each child in club also got a fortune cookie to take home.

If your child is not attending club for whatever reason, please can you let Sarah Collison know. We do need confirmation from an adult that your child will not be attending a session. You can contact Miss Collison on 07548944202 or email s.collison@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk



Dates for the Diary 2024-2025



February

- 6th** Y2 Elm Hindu Temple Visit
- 11th** Internet safety day special lunch
- 12th** KS1 Valentines Disco 5.30pm - 6.30pm
- 13th** LKS2 Valentines Disco 5.30pm - 6.30pm
UKS2 Valentines Disco 6.45pm - 7.45pm
- 14th** World thinking day
Last Day of school for February half term
- 24th** First day back at school

March

- 10th** Let's go sing (Blackpool Winter Gardens)
- 19th** Book fair (until the 26th March)
- 20th** Dance Competition - Blackburn Empire Theatre*
- 27th** Y2 Helmsore Mill Trip
- 31st** Parents Evening 3.30pm - 7pm

April

- 1st** Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5pm
- 2nd** EYFS Visit to Smithills Open Farm
- 3rd** Y3 Deva Roman Trip
PTFA Bunnie's Bingo

May

- 8th** Y4 Ben Nevis Cuerden Valley river trip
- 12th** Y4 Snowdon Cuerden Valley river trip

Primrose Hill Clubs 2024 – 2025 – Spring 1

Spring – W/C 27.01.25 - W/C 10.03.25

Name of Club	Run by	Day	Finish	Collect From
Netball (Hi5's) Y5&6	Mrs Clements	Monday	4.10pm	Office
Eco Club	Miss McKinley	Tuesday (28.01.25 - 15.07.25)	4.30pm	Office
	Mrs Chapman	Tuesday	4.30pm	Snowdon
Podcast Club Y5&6				
Story Art Y1&2	Mrs Kanski	Tuesday	4pm	Office
Art Club Y4,5,6	Mrs Bullock	Tuesday	4pm	Snowdon
Singing & Signing Y1&2	Miss Pearson	Tuesday	3.45pm	Elm
First Steps into cooking Y1&2	Mrs Jotjeko / Mrs Hacking	Tuesday	4pm	Office
Yoga Y1	EYFS	Wednesday	3.45pm	EYFS
	Miss Dobbs	Wednesday	4.10pm	Pendle
Computing Y3/4				
	Miss Burns / Mrs Brockie	Every Wednesday	4.10pm	Office
Y6 Homework Club				
Choir Y5&6	Mrs Swinburn	Every Wednesday	4pm	Everest
Board Game Club Y2	Mrs Sycamore	Wednesday	3.45pm	Maple
Dance Club Y4,5,6	Mrs Walsh	Thursday	4.10pm	Office

June

- 12th** Y1 Bring Yer Wellies Trip (class to be confirmed)
- 13th** Y1 Bring Yer Wellies Trip (class to be confirmed)
- 23rd - 25th** Y5 Hothersall Lodge Residential
- 26th** Y2 Bee Centre Visit (in school)
- 27th - 30th** Y6 Boreatton Park Residential

July

- 3rd** Y4 Ben Nevis WW2 Sleep over
- 4th** Y4 Ben Nevis tea dance
- 10th** Y4 Snowdon WW2 Sleep over
- 11th** Y4 Snowdon tea dance

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO PENALTY NOTICE CHARGES

The DfE have recently announced national charges to penalty notices issues for unauthorised absences in term time, these came into effect on the 19th August 2024.

- Penalty notices issued for the offence after the 19th of August 2024 will be charged at the new rate of £160.00 however if paid in 21-days this reduces to £80.00.
- Any second penalty notice to the same parent for the same child in a rolling 3-year period will be issued at the rate of £160.00 to be paid within 28-days with no option for a discount.
- Penalty notice threshold is 10-sessions equivalent to 5-days of unauthorised absence in a rolling 10-school week period.
- Maximum of 2-penalty notices may be issued for the same child within a rolling 3-years period, so at the 3rd or subsequent offence another course of action will need to be considered such a prosecution or one of the other attendance legal interventions.

*New date added

**Information or date amended



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Primary School
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Primrose Buds



**Free play and stay sessions
for children aged 4 and under**

Songs

Friday 17th January 2025

Toys

Friday 7th February 2025

Stories

Friday 7th March 2025

Drinks

Friday 28th March 2025

Friends

9am - 10.15am in the upper hall

Ofsted
Outstanding
Provider

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





Primrose Hill Primary School

Valentine's **DISCO**

Wednesday 12th February

Years 1 & 2 – 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Thursday 13th February

Years 3 & 4 – 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Years 5 & 6 – 6.45pm – 7.45pm

£4 per child to include a hot dog and drink

Tickets can be purchased through ParentPay



I am delighted to be taking over responsibility for the Children's University initiative and cannot wait to hear all about the learning that is taking place beyond the classroom!

The email address remains as: CU@primrosehill-euxton.lancs.sch.uk and the Showbie file is also still active ready and waiting for all the evidence you collect this Spring term; from the time spent visiting places of interest, learning more about a particular subject or attending your out of school clubs.

The last week has seen the start of Chinese New Year – the year of the snake! Like a snake, this year will celebrate those who are patient and those who want to make some big changes! Did you know that the last year of the snake was in 2013!

How to earn credits:

The Museum of Liverpool have Chinese New Year craft sessions on the 8th and 22nd February. These are running from 12.30 and story-telling sessions start at: 12,30pm, 1.30pm and 2.30pm.

Whilst on the 23rd February, Hung Gar Kung Fu School are visiting the museum of Liverpool to perform the fabulous Lion dance for the Year of the Snake. Performances take place at 1pm / 2pm and 3pm and are FREE!

Make sure you take along your passport for it be stamped!

You can also earn credits by making a Chinese New Year Lantern like the one below!

I look forward to seeing all your efforts!

Mrs Brockie

Lantern Making

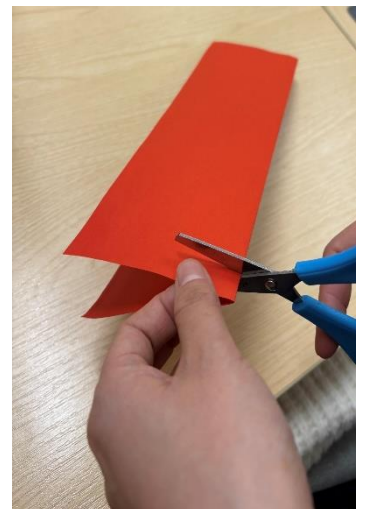
1 Using red A4 paper, cut a 2 cm strip off the longer side – this will be the handle for your lantern.



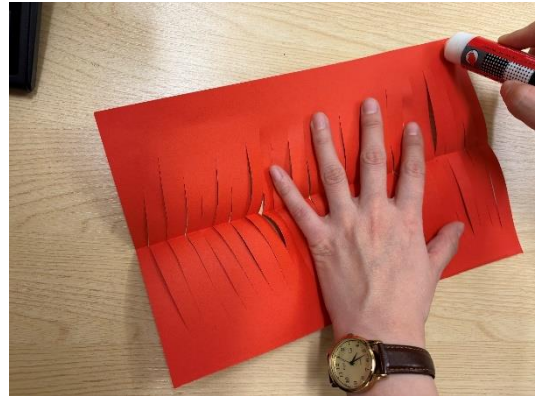
2 Fold the rectangle paper in half lengthways



3 Cut the paper from the middle **but NOT cutting to the edge** – leave a least 2.5 cm edge uncut. Repeat.



4 After cutting, open the paper and put glue on the right top and bottom corner.



5 Now make a circle joining the two ends together



6 Stick the handle inside with glue. Now your lantern is finished

(tip - put a battery operated light under the lantern to see how it shines).



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

“Fake news” refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It’s often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

“CLICKBAIT” PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying “Have you seen this video of yourself?” or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that’s been shared on social media. This kind of “bait” is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our “need-to-know” instinct.

SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don’t miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it’s legitimate.

YOU’RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we’ve won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and suchlike. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there’s something to be gained by doing so.

FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they’re not to gain their victims’ trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they’re a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child’s account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they’re in trouble and need help.

FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called “business opportunities” or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies’ social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people’s digital lives: talk about what they’re doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that’s to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what’s on offer sounds too good to be true.

TALK TOGETHER

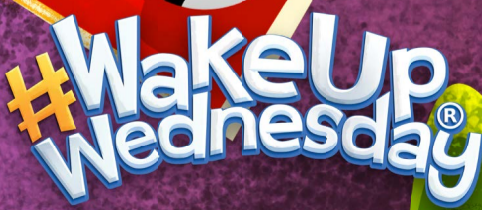
Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they’re unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don’t pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember: adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don’t wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they’re aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children’s understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk for more.



The National College

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GIRLS! Want to try Rugby League?

We at Chorley Panthers are hosting open training sessions for school years 5, 6, 7 & 8. Our club along with support from the RFL & various Womens Super League teams are looking to promote girls rugby league in our local area.

Spread the word because the Pink Panthers are back!

Our first session is Saturday 15th February 10:00-11:00 @ Panther Park

If you're interested, or have any more questions please email play-for-us@chorley-panthers.co.uk for more details





February Half Term Football Course 2025



Monday 17th – Friday 21st February 2025

9am – 3pm each day

Boys and Girls aged from 5 - 12

£65.00 for the week

*** Courses run by UEFA 'A' & 'B' Licence Coaches ***



BOOK ONLINE by visiting www.thefootbaldevelopmentprogramme.co.uk



Children will take part in a variety of practices that involve:
Dribbling, Running with the Ball, 1 v 1's, 2 v 2's, Turns & Skills
as well lots of Shooting and Small Sided Games



Football Development Gym Bag for all who attend
Nike Prizes and Engraved Trophies to be won on the final day



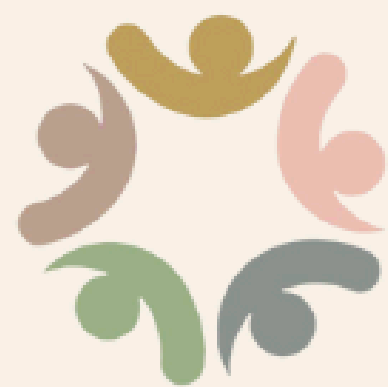
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ONCE A MONTH ON SUNDAYS
10AM - 11:30AM

Connecting our pregnant mamas
together to feel supported and part of a
tribe before baby arrives



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LEYLAND PR25 3DH

PARENT LEAD: LUCY

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FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each - Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Thursday
20th Feb

19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION

Supporting Healthy Screen Use

A range of steps that can help minimise the harms from screens

Monday
3rd Feb

10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
11th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Facing Defiance

Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

Tuesday
18th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness

Get the facts and know the harms about these two drugs so you can hold an informed conversation with your teens.

Tuesday
25th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Understanding the Teenage Brain

A 'must see' for all parents and teachers of teens and pre-teens. Explains why teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

Understanding Anger	10 FEB 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	11 FEB 10am
Facing Defiance	14 FEB 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN 7pm 25 FEB 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN 7pm 24 FEB 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 FEB 10am 3 MAR 7pm
Improving Family Communication	3 FEB 7pm 4 MAR 10am
AUTISM: Improving Communication	4 FEB 10am 4 MAR 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	4 FEB 7pm 3 MAR 10am
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	10 FEB 10am 10 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	17 FEB 10am 17 MAR 7pm
Introduction to OCD	17 FEB 7pm 18 MAR 10am
Anxiety Explained	18 FEB 10am 18 MAR 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	18 FEB 7pm 17 MAR 10am
Decreasing Depression	24 FEB 7pm 25 MAR 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	25 FEB 7pm 24 MAR 10am