

MENU FOR WEEK BEGINNING 18TH SEPTEMBER 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHICKEN PIE OR CHILLI OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	TOAD IN THE HOLE OR TOMATO AND HAM PASTA OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	PIZZA OR PASTA BAKE OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	<b>PARTY LUNCH DAY</b>  SANDWICHES SAUSAGE ROLLS PIZZA BITES CHICKEN NUGGETS CRIPS CUP CAKES JELLIES	<b>CHIP SHOP FRIDAY!</b> A CHOICE OF FISH OF THE DAY JUMBO SAUSAGE CHICKEN DIPPERS OR PIE OF THE DAY  ALL SERVED WITH CHIPS & PEAS AND A CHOICE OF GRAVY OR CURRY SAUCE

VEGETARIAN  
OPTIONS AVAILABLE .

A selection of vegetables and/or salad will be available each day. After their main meal the children will have a choice of desserts which will include fresh fruit or yoghurt. Please note the items on the above menu are subject to deliveries etc. and may have to be changed at short notice. The government have made funding available for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to enable them to have a school dinner free of charge, all your child has to do is choose their dinner at morning registration. For all other children to book a school dinner just send in £2.20.

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

Every week, one child in each class is chosen and celebrated in our celebration assembly for particular hard work, effort or something special. Each week we will share the winners with you...

Sycamore— Ella Ormesher Willow— Faith Brotherton  
Cedar— Thea Lucas Maple— Evie Finch  
Chestnut— Millie Hatch Rowan— Zach Piontek Oak— James Read

**Mr Wilkins' Magic Moment**

It's a last minute entry but Brody takes it this week from Year 1. Standing up in assembly to proudly show off his football trophy, I asked him what it was for, "Because I'm the best!" he said. "I scored loads of goals.....20,000!" he added. Fully deserving of the trophy then I reckon!

**Inspirational Quote**

"Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak. It is also what it takes to sit down and listen." SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

*We value.... we encourage....we expect*

ECCLESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THE HOTSPOT FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

**THURSDAY, 5TH OCTOBER**

**OPEN AFTERNOON**

1:30pm—3pm

**OPEN EVENING**

6pm -7:30pm

Current and Prospective parents are invited to our Open Day on Thursday, 5th October in which you can see the school and the children in action. If you know anybody who is looking for school places for 2018 or beyond, please could I ask you to share this information with them.

**LEAFLET DROP HELP —  
OPEN DAY**

We are in the process of getting some leaflets printed to advertise our Open Day. We are appealing to families to post some leaflets to the houses on your street.. On your way home perhaps. If you are able to do this, then I will be on the gate at the end of the day and I just ask that you volunteer your services. My thanks in advance of your support.

We also have some posters if you live or work in a prominent position to display one....

**SCHOOL COUNCIL  
ELECTIONS**

We will soon be deciding on our school councillors for the forthcoming year for children in Year 1—Year 6. If your son/daughter is interested in either of these roles, then we ask them to put together a speech to present to their class to say why they would be the best choice. We ask them to do this at home as we want to ensure that the children are committed to the roles. Speeches will be taking place in individual classes on Monday, 18th September.

## Reading Records—Question Prompts

Reading Records have now been given out and we have included some help with types of questions you can ask your children when reading with them.

Regular reading is crucial for children's reading skills, but questioning about what they are reading is equally important as it helps them to understand the meaning rather than just the words. Use the prompts which are in the front of the reading records to help and always consider the 5 question types who, what, where, how, when and probably most importantly—HOW do you know?

For more information on this, please let us know and we will be happy to help or demonstrate.

### BOOK SWAP

The Book Swap Sheds by the picnic benches at the side of school by Year 6 are now open...well, one of them is. The children are invited to bring a book in from home that they no longer want, and swap it with a book from the shed. This is not supervised but all children pass these sheds at some point throughout the day at which point they may swap their book. You may even want to spend time with your child before or after school, looking in the shed and choosing a book together. There are books for all ages and interests of children.

### Upcoming Significant Dates

Mon 18th Sept	Swimming—Year 6
Mon 18th Sept	School Council Speeches
Tues 19th Sept	School Council Elections
Wed 27th Sept	Jeans for Genes Day
Fri 29th Sept	Parent Forum—9am in School
Fri 29th Sept	Non-Uniform Day
Tue 3rd Oct	Class Photographs
Tue 3rd Oct	Miss Grimes' Mystery Morning
Wed 4th Oct	Learning Menu Check-in
Thurs 5th Oct	Open Afternoon and Open Evening
Friday 6th Oct	Year 3 Family Assembly
Tues 14th Nov	Parents' Evening (1 of 2)
Wed 15th Nov	Parents' Evening (2 of 2)

### No Nuts

**As we have children in school with allergies to nuts, please can we remind parents that we are a No Nuts school and request that you support this by not sending nut related products into school with your children.**

**Your understanding is appreciated.**

### MUSICAL SHOWCASE

Eccleston Musical Showcase will be taking place at St. Agnes' Church on Friday, 13th October at 7:30pm and children are invited to play in the showcase if they are proficient with an instrument. For more information, contact Joanne Atherton of Jo Violin on 07913876077 or jo@joviolin.co.uk or ask in school for an application form.

## PARENT FORUM

*Last year we started a group of parents that I met with half termly to discuss issues in school and ways to improve the provision for your children. Due to it's incredible success, we will be continuing it this year and I invite any other interested parents to join the group – anyone is welcome but we are particularly looking for a representative from our new Reception parents.*

*It's a friendly, non-threatening meeting where all opinions are valued. If you want to attend or want more information then please contact me. Meeting take place on Friday at 9am on six occasions throughout the year and last just an hour.*

### FEPS—Chairperson

We thank Toni Saywell who has served as Chairperson for FEPS, yet who now has stepped down. She has been instrumental in raising thousands of pounds for school, giving up her time and skills in doing so. She will remain involved in FEPS but I would personally like to thank her publically for her great support to the school and in turn, to all of your children. We'd also like to welcome Julie Carson who has been elected as the new Chairperson of FEPS. We thank her in advance and wish her well in the role. If you would like to contact Julie with any enquiries or in any ways that you can help, then please do so at [jcarson@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:jcarson@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk)

### Eccleston Primary School

#### Term Time Dates - 2017/2018

##### Autumn Term 2017

**Starts:** Friday 1 September 2017

**Half term:** Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November 2017

**Term Ends:** Friday 22 December 2017

**INSET:** Friday 1 September 2017 (School Closed)

**INSET:** Friday 22 December 2017 (School Closed)

##### Spring Term 2018

**Starts:** Monday 8 January 2018

**Half term:** Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February 2018

**Term Ends:** Friday 23 March 2018

**INSET:** Monday 8 January 2018 (School Closed)

##### Summer Term 2018

**Starts:** Monday 9 April 2018

**May Day:** Monday 7 May 2018

**Half term:** Monday 28 May - Friday 1 June 2018

**Term Ends:** Friday 20 July 2018

**INSET:** Thursday 3 May 2018 (Polling Day - School Closed)

**INSET:** Friday 4 May 2018 (School Closed)

With holidays in mind, we ask that you support school and your children by planning holidays out of term time.

Many thanks for your support.