Edenfield News

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Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our second newsletter of the term and what a wonderful week of autumn sunshine we have enjoyed in school.

Our new pupils in Class Reception started attending school full time last week, and this has included staying for lunch in our main dining room. Mrs Hope, Mrs Morris and the lunch team have reported how lovely it has been to witness the children dining together and making new friends. All of the children have enjoyed the tasty selection of meals on offer. It has been lovely to see the two reception groups finally meet and start on their school journey together – we know there will be many special memories ahead for them to share, here at Edenfield.

EYFS Class of 2025



PTA

A huge thank you to all those who supported the PTA at the AGM, and wine and cheese supper, on Wednesday. I am delighted to share that the following officers were re-elected, or elected:

- Chair: Tanya Robertson
- Vice-Chair: Erena Pillitteri
- Secretaries: Carolynne Nelson and Bella Brooke-Steel
- Treasurer: Ashleigh Sharples

Running the PTA is a huge commitment which takes a lot of time and effort and the school could not be more grateful for all the hard work which takes place to plan and host the different fundraisers and events across the year. As a result, the school is able to provide additional school resources which we might not otherwise be able to afford. It is also wonderful to be able to offer social events which allow the children and their families to have so much fun together, not to mention meet new people, and develop valued friendships.

I am also aware that a lot of parents could not make it to the meeting but have already committed to helping out at the wide range of events that we have approaching this term, which will include:

- KS1 Party (23rd October @6pm)
- Christmas Fair (27th November @5pm)
- Possible Christmas craft event – watch this space, we will keep you posted
- KS2 party (18th December @6pm)
- Cauliflower Christmas cards

Thank you to all those who contribute to these events – it is greatly appreciated.

Educational Visits
As always, we have an exciting programme of educational visits and events planned for this term to enhance teaching and learning across the different subjects taught. These will include:

- Delamere Forest (trees and plants in science)
- Bolton Museum (Egyptians)
- Catalyst Science Discovery Centre (gases and material changes in science)
- Southport Eco Centre (The Stone Age)
- Ancient Greek day with Tony North (Ancient Greece)
- Blackburn Rovers Football Club (health and lifestyle)
- Bolton Environmental Resource Centre
- Local walks

Again, a huge thank you to the PTA who have already committed a large sum to heavily subside the cost of coaches which continues to rise yearly. Without this support, we would not be able to offer such a wide range of educational visits and enrichment activities.

Harvest Festival
A letter was sent home this week with full details about the Harvest Festival which takes place next week on Friday 3rd October, at Edenfield Parish Church, at 9:15am. Parents, carers and friends are warmly welcomed to join us for the service which will be led by the Children in KS1 with a musical performance from Class Reception. This year, our theme for Harvest is inspired by Christian Aid. Entitled the Harvest of Hope, Christian Aid is highlighting how, in many places around the world, traditional agricultural practices are becoming increasingly ineffective in the face of extreme weather events and changing climates. By raising money, we are trying to help farmers living in poverty to start new projects and reduce the hunger crises. We will also be thinking of those closer to home who may live in poverty and struggle to buy food for their families. Please see the letter for full details and how you can donate to your chosen cause.

Reminder - Nominate Parent Governors
A reminder that the deadline for submitting nominations for the parent governor election is Monday 29th September. Please see below for the election timetable sent home last week:
The timetable for the election is:

1. Nomination Form to be returned no later than **Monday 29th September 2025;**
2. If necessary, ballot papers and biographical statements to be sent to all parents on **Friday 3rd October 2025;**
3. In the event of an election, ballot papers to be returned to C. Garner (headteacher) by **12 noon on Tuesday 14th October 2025;**
4. The votes to be counted on **Tuesday 14th October at 3.30 p.m.** after which the result to be shared with the successful candidates and announced to all stake holders.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, and would like more information in addition to the letters sent home, please do not hesitate to contact school.

EPIC
This week Class 6 are EPIC because …

The children have been reflecting on the theme of Harvest and what it means to them and their school. During collective worship, they reflected on the incredible efforts of farmers who work tirelessly to provide for the community. In class, they explored the values of thankfulness and hope for the future, considering how vital it is to appreciate the blessings we receive each day. They also discussed how those affected by conflict and war may struggle to find the security of food, reminding us of the importance of compassion and empathy for others. Looking ahead, the children are eager to learn more about the role of food banks in our communities, recognising how they provide vital support for many families today. Through this work, the children are inspired to live out our school vision by showing gratitude, sharing with others, and helping those in need.

Quiet Prayer Time
I have been asked to share that Edenfield Parish Church will be starting new prayer session on a Friday afternoon between 2pm and 4pm. These are aimed at those who may be in need of support or facing unwanted challenges. This will be an opportunity for silence and reflection. It is therefore unsuitable for young children but may be helpful for parents, carers or family members, if they wish to access this. There will also be church members on hand if you wish to talk and share your worries with a caring ear.

All that remains is to wish you all a lovely weekend and we hope to see you at Harvest Festival next week.

Warm wishes,

C.L. Garner

Guided by God, following in his footsteps

Our vision is theologically centred on Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path

A Week In Pictures



Class 4
Class 4 tested different electrical circuits in science.



Class 5
Class 5 enjoyed their cricket session.



Class 2
Class 2 were busy solving missing number sentences in maths using part-part-whole models.



Class 1
Class 1 enjoyed drawing plants they could see in the wildlife area as part of their science work.



Class 6
Class 6 discussed the creation story in RE alongside the beliefs of scientists. They enjoyed reflecting on both sides of the argument.



Class Reception
Class Reception really enjoyed watching the big diggers and tipper trucks working away next to the school field. It was very exciting!



Class 3
Class 3 enjoyed printing some of Andy Goldsworthy's designs using carbon paper.

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Extra-Curricular Activities

Autumn Term 2025

Clubs take place from the end of the school day until 4.15pm unless otherwise indicated.

Day	Activity	Year Group
Mon	**Equality Champions**	Year 6 (Lunchtime club)
Tues	**Ethos Champions**	Year 6 (During school day)
Tues	**Compassion Club**	Year 3
Tues	**Skiing**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Tues	**Lego Club**	Year 1
Tues	**Athletics**	Aut term 1 - Years 3 and 4 Aut term 2 – Years 5 and 6
Tues	**Mixed Football**	Years 5 and 6
Weds	**Infant Sports**	Years 1 and 2
Weds	**Singing Club**	Years 4, 5 and 6
Thurs	**Art Club**	Years 1 and 2
Thurs	**Horse Riding**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Thurs	**Digital Leaders**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (Lunchtime club)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 29th Sep	**Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching Appeal commences**
Fri 3rd Oct	**Harvest Festival at Edenfield Parish Church, 9.15am**
w/c Mon 6th Oct	**Class 6 Bikeability**
Tues 7th Oct	**Class R Vision screening**
Thurs 9th Oct	**Class R Local walk**
Thurs 9th Oct	**Class 5 Ancient Greek Day with Tony North**
Fri 10th Oct	**Class 5 Bikeability**
Mon 13th Oct	**Parents Evening, 3.30pm-7pm**
Tues 14th Oct	**Parents Evening, 3.30pm-5pm**
Wed 15th Oct	**Open Day, 9.30am and 1.45pm**
Mon 20th Oct	**EYFS and KS1 Parent Reading Workshop, 6pm**
Tues 21st Oct	**Class 6 Bolton Environmental Resource Centre**
Tues 21st Oct	**Class R Come and See, 2pm**
Thurs 23rd Oct	**Nasal Flu**
Thurs 23rd Oct	**PTA EYFS and KS1 party, here in school @ 6pm**
Fri 24th Oct	**Education Friday at Edenfield Parish Church, 9.15am**
Fri 24th Oct	**School closes for half term**
Fri 31st Oct	**Secondary school application deadline**
Mon 3rd Nov	**School re-opens**
Wed 5th Nov	**Class 3 visit to Southport Eco Centre**
Thurs 6th Nov	**Class 5 visit to Catalyst**
Tues 11th Nov	**Remembrance Service at Edenfield Parish Church, 10.45am**
Thurs 13th Nov	**Class 2 visit to Burnley Football Club**
Mon 17th Nov	**Class 4 visit to Bolton Museum**
Thurs 20th Nov	**Class 1 visit to Delamere Forest**

(Additional dates may be added throughout the term)

STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 5th September

Reception Class: Felix Abou-Zeid

Friday 12th September

Reception Class: Hannah Elson

Friday 19th September

Reception Class: Alice Kenyon, Louis Mukuna

Class 1: Lillie Dickinson, Rupert Heaton

Class 2: Indie Cunniff, Penny Hall

Class 3: Sienna Mahgoub, Lia Stannard

Class 4: Felix Kelly, Olivia Redding

Class 5: Iris Riding, Ailsa Schofield

Class 6: Freddie Hulme, Ivy Hooper

Friday 26th September

Reception Class: Harriett Clarke, Emma Waller

Class 1: Darcie Ashworth, Sebastian World

Class 2: Delilah Howard, Oliver Elson

Class 3: Ethan Mellish, Evelyn Hamer

Class 4: Polly-Primrose Taylor, Henry Vizzard

Class 5: Isabelle Bowes, Abbey Chadwick

Class 6: William Taylor, Connie Formby

2026 School Applications

If you have a child starting primary or secondary school in September 2026 you can apply for their place online at https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place You must apply for a place, even if an older brother or sister already attends the school.

The closing date for applications is:

- 31st October 2025 for secondary
- 15th January 2026 for primary

Penny Pinching 2025

We are supporting the Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching appeal again this year. Collection boxes will be sent home next week and need to be returned by Friday 21st November. Any donations are gratefully received.

Thought of the Week

God is good and will hear our prayers

'I pray that you may grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of God'

Ephesians 3.17-18