



# Within Euxton Borders

a news sheet for residents by  
**EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**



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## Chairman's Column

Welcome to the December 2024 issue of the 'Euxton Web' which details both news and events in and around Euxton.



Euxton has two new flowerbeds and three new village signs, situated on Pincock, Shaw Green and A49 near the former Railway Inn.

An additional SPID being sited on Runshaw Lane after local residents attended a Parish Council meeting asking for help to inform drivers of the speed of their vehicles on certain parts of the Lane. This was passed to the All Purposes Committee who voted the request through at their meeting.

The pond on the Millennium Green has had some work completed clearing the self seeded plants. This was done over three separate sessions in October by our village caretakers with the help of a pond specialist.

Primrose Hill play area, next to the school, has had a makeover with new play equipment now installed and ready for use. The Euxton Calendar 2025 with photos taken by our residents has now been printed in two sizes and are available from 1st November.

Friends of Euxton Library held a second musical evening on 2nd November in the Community Centre, again very well attended. Another event 'Lancashire Night' was held in the Library, this included a hot pot supper plus entertainment. Thanks due to Kath and all the staff at the Library and the girls from the Friends. There are more events over December including Craft Fair, Afternoon Tea, Christmas Decoration making and the school children from our Primary Schools singing their Christmas Carols. All dates are inside the Newsletter.

The Parish Council recently gave out some grants to the Mothers Union, St Mary's Primary PTFA, Methodist Church Hall and ROF Scouts all toward excellent projects.

Alot has been packed in to the last quarter, so the Chair's column is continued overleaf...

## The Euxton Calendar is out

The calendar is on sale through local groups such as Cubs, Scouts, Guides etc, Euxton Singers, WI and others groups.

It is made up of 12 photographs submitted throughout the year to the Council from residents snapping interesting sights around the village.

If you would like a calendar and are not in contact with any local groups - give the office a call.

**All Purposes Committee**

**2025**

Sights in Euxton



2025 calendar of 12 photographs taken by Euxton residents of 'Sights in Euxton'

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# Christmas Carol Singing

**Wednesday 18th December**  
**7pm at the Christmas Tree**  
in front Euxton PC Community Centre adjacent to Papa Luigis

Euxton Parish Council invites residents to

## Carol Singing around the Christmas Tree

followed afterwards inside with warm mince pies & mulled wine or hot drink at inside the Community Centre

Musical accompaniment by  
**Coppull & Standish Brass Band**

## 2025 Calendar

The photographs making up the 2025 calendar were sent in, throughout the year, by residents who have been happily snapping sights around Euxton.

Councillors enjoyed the difficult task of judging all the entered photos, to choose one for each month - photos below.

Local groups such as scouting, guiding, and Euxton groups such as singers & WI will be selling the calendars and raising funds for their groups. If you can't buy a copy via a group drop the Council a message, both sizes are £2.50 each.

From the 12 photos, one for each month a first and two runners up were chosen as winners - but all the entries are winners as they feature in the calendar.



Photos of Councillors voting for their favourite photos to feature in the calendar



## Outstanding

The Council entered Euxton's Allotment Gardens in to the North West In Bloom and a Councillor and two of our village caretakers attended the awards ceremony recently.

The site won a Level 5 Outstanding Award and Cllr Jones snapped a photo of the framed certificate for the newsletter.

Well done to allotmentees on our Euxton site and Andy our site manager.



## Chairman's Column continued

There is still an amount of money left in the Grants Budget for this year to end of March, so if an Euxton organisation need a little funding for a special scheme or necessary purchase please apply, you may be successful.

Well done to all the Primary Schools that took part in the Summer reading competition through the Library and all the pupils who took up the challenge of reading five books in the summer holidays. Everyone received a certificate. Congratulations however once again to Primrose Hill School for winning the trophy SCART 2024. Kath from the Library and I went to the school and attended the two assemblies where the certificates were handed out together with the trophy.

Congratulations are due to the Euxton Allotment ploholders and society, also Andy our Allotment Manager. The site recently won a 'Level 5 Outstanding' award in the Allotment Gardens category, from the North West in Bloom Competition.

There are still two vacancies on the Council if anyone is interested in serving as a Parish Council, see advert insite.

Remembrance Service will have been held on Sunday November 10th at 3.00pm at the Euxton Memorial by the time this newsletter is received but, the Christmas Carol singing around the tree is still to come.

On behalf of all the Parish Council Members may I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Cllr Katrina Reed  
Chairman

## EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Euxton Councillor Vacancies



Presently there are two vacancies for Parish Councillors on Euxton Council.

Applications are invited and any person wishing to serve as a Councillor should write to the Clerk giving details of interests, experience and reasons for wishing to serve. If an election is not called this will be filled via co-option.

*To qualify, a person must be a British subject or citizen of the Irish Republic, over 18 years of age and an elector, must reside within the parish of Euxton, or within 3 miles of it, or occupy as owner or tenant any land or premises therein, or have their principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor (details from the Clerk).*

Further details of eligibility, procedures of a vacancy, guidance of being a Parish Councillor for Euxton are all available on request from the Clerk or linked on the Council's website to the vacancy notice.

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## Primrose Play Area

To make way for new items on the play area the two large units and a springer were removed.

Installed in there place are a large centre activity unit with two slides and many climbing opportunities and styles from cargo nets, ladders, climbing wall, poles with platforms, activity boards and more. Also, a giant four bay rope swing, overhead glider and four seat spring see saw.

The contractors were on site a week taking out and installing the new items and then it took a bit more time for new bark to be delivered and spread by our caretaking staff.

**Leisure Committee**

Above left: four seat spring see saw, middle: large activity unit, just behind that is the giant four bay rope swing and right is the overhead glider.

Left: the site when the old equipment had been removed and a couple of post holes dug

## New flower beds and heritage signage

The All Purposes Committee has continued its project to increase the specially design Euxton signage around the village and included two more flower beds to go with two of the signs.

As reported in the last newsletter a new sign went on Balshaw Lane entering the village from the big roundabout. The second one went in at Pincock Bridge, entering the village from Charnock Richard.

New flower beds have been constructed on land at the side of the Nature Trail Nursery school (former Railway pub) thanks to the Nursery for permission for this. The second bed has been installed at Shaw Green. Both these beds have Euxton signage as they are close to Euxton's boundary lines.

**All Purpose Committee**

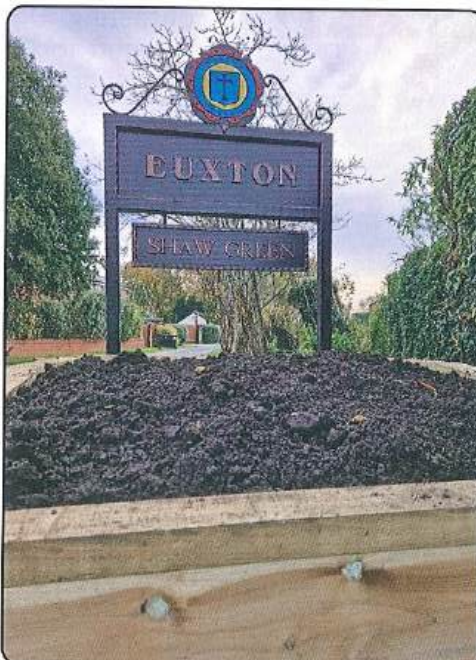


## Remembrance Services

Although the weather was quite wet on Sunday the 10th November for the Peace Service at Euxton's War Memorial, the turnout was still excellent.

Thank you to all who do the behind the scenes work to make the service happen from setting up the sound, printing of service sheets, chairs, directing the service and prayers, reading passages, playing the Last Post, not forgetting all the clearing away at the end, also those making refreshments for afterwards to warm everyone up.

A really nice quote from Jo the vicar was, "I don't really know how but it just all comes together in Euxton" - and it does.



## Euxton's Millennium Green changes

The pond on the Green had a clean out in October. Over three consecutive Wednesdays a pond specialist, Martin Grimes, attended and our village caretakers took to the water to learn pond techniques for clearing self-seeded plants.

Mainly the self seeded coverage was bulrush (*Typha Latifolia*) which blows in the wind and takes root in watery areas.

In the three sessions the pond was thinned of plants attempting to leave more open water and less plant cover.

The cleared material was kept on site and spread under trees as its mostly made up of water.

The village caretakers now have a good knowledge to maintain the pond further in future years.

**Leisure Committee**



One of the Wednesday pond clearance sessions - it was a really wet day, from above and below



## Jim's story

About 18 months ago, due an unfortunate bereavement, I suddenly became the custodian / owner of a cuddly little dog that was up until then, the constant companion of my son's disabled partner. Due to his work commitments, he wasn't able to take on the dog himself, so retired Dad was volunteered. He's a good little dog and has become completely spoiled.

Now as we all know, dogs, whatever size or shape, they require regular exercise, walks etc.

Due to bouncing along the tarmac several times in my misspent youth, I'm now somewhat at a disadvantage in that area as the results of the injuries have caught up with me, I now need to use a mobility scooter for any distance further than the end of my driveway.



I'd heard about the Millennium green, which is in front of Euxton Hall Hospital just off the A49. After my first visit there, the dog and I have become regular visitors.

It's a lovely area, with a circular gravel path, and a "cut through" that makes a figure of 8 through some trees. There are a couple of "Boardwalks" that span over small wet depressions, I found that the ones through the figure of eight, were unpassable on the mobility scooter due to the step up onto the boardwalk being too steep. After contacting Debra, the clerk to the local council, she arranged for remedial work to be carried out, and I can now report that all the boardwalks are now fully usable by mobility scooters, prams etc. They've made an excellent job.

I believe further improvements are ongoing, recently the pond has been thinned out of bull-rushes and weeds. Already a couple of ducks have arrived and are checking it out. The viewing platform for the pond has been made safer, with additional wire mesh around the wooden fencing safeguarding any possible chance of accidentally falling through into the water.

For those Euxtoners that are not aware, there is a small car park area (6) a number of benches, tables and chairs to rest on, have a picnic etc. Also dog waste litter friendly bins. (Don't forget your poop bags)

So, if you're using a mobility scooter like myself, all the pathways are now open to you. Get off the streets and come and enjoy the countryside. See you there.



# Euxton WI

The last few months have been busy for members of Euxton WI.

In September one of our favourite speakers, Pat Ascroft, told us of her exploits during a sponsored cycle ride from the Red Sea to the Dead Sea. Pat is a tireless fund raiser for Mencap, she even donates her fee to this Charity.

In October we heard some funny stories from a retired pharmacist and in November it was the AGM. Prior to the meeting over 80 members and visitors enjoyed a Hotpot lunch provided by Style Catering along with some delicious desserts! Having agreed the report of the year's activities and being assured by the Treasurer that we are still solvent, members voted for Ann Francis to continue in her role as President for the third year.

Representatives from Rosemere Cancer Foundation and NW Cancer Research were invited to receive donations. Yvonne from Rosemere collected a cheque for £500 and Mark from NW Cancer collected seven very large bags of pre-loved bras to be used for fund raising. Both told members about the work these two different agencies perform in the fight against cancer.



Ann Francis President presenting a cheque to Yvonne Scott from Rosemere Cancer Foundation and right, Treasurer Sheila Smith



On a lighter note, a group of us had a very enjoyable tour of Pendle Witches country learning many interesting facts about the villages in the area. The guide, Simon Entwistle, proved to be an enthralling storyteller and we all agreed we should go on another of his tours in the future.

Entertainment at the Christmas meeting in December will be provided by Pink Vintage and the following Friday over 80 members will gather for their Christmas lunch at Leyland Golf Club.

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month starting at 2.00pm at Euxton PC Community Centre should you wish to come as a visitor please contact the President, Ann Francis 01257 412013.

**Karen Hartley**



Style Catering serving hotpot lunch

# Euxton Domestic Cleaning Service

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- In-home ironing
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**G ★★★★★**  
Krysia Cogollos  
Stevie, our current cleaner, has been an absolute gem so far and we couldn't be happier.

**G ★★★★★**  
Raymond McDaid  
Very pleased with the service, very responsive and flexible.

**G ★★★★★**  
JP  
Very happy with the level of service and communication. Dawn was helpful arranging for us to get a reliable cleaner.

**G ★★★★★**  
Rebecca Procter  
Great first clean from Suzanne. I look forward to many more!

**G ★★★★★**  
John Bennet  
Have used twice and both cleaners have been excellent.

**G ★★★★★**  
Ruth Poar  
Really pleased with the high quality of service.

**G ★★★★★**  
Claire Powell  
Absolutely fantastic service, professional yet very friendly. The clean was very thorough and of a really high standard.

**G ★★★★★**  
Zandra Taylor  
Very happy with our experience to date. We have been paired with someone very local to us and things are working well.

**G ★★★★★**  
Bethany King  
Jaine was fabulous she's really lovely and did a great job all around the house.

**G ★★★★★**  
Julie McLaughlan  
Fantastic service, delighted with results!

\*Quote code "EPC2445" to get £15 off your first quarter's fees when taking a two hour weekly or three hour fortnightly regular cleaning service. Valid until 30/11/24. Terms apply, E&OE.

## Exciting Outdoor Developments

at Euxton St Mary's Primary School

This summer, Euxton St Mary's PTFA has been hard at work enhancing the schools outdoor learning spaces to provide even more opportunities for our pupils.



One of the most exciting additions is our brand-new Forest School, now available to all pupils from Reception through to Year 6. Within our Forest School, children can expect to create wonderful environmental art, whittle sticks, toast marshmallows, and have loads of fun on the rope swing! To make the winter season extra special, Father Christmas himself will be lending us some reindeer, adding a magical touch to our outdoor learning experience!

Research supports what Forest School practitioners have long known - that time spent outdoors boosts children's confidence, self-belief, communication, problem-solving skills, and emotional well-being. We are excited to see our pupils grow through these enriching outdoor experiences.

In addition to the Forest School, our EYFS outdoor area has been upgraded with new sensory items, enabling our youngest children to learn through play while exploring nature.

Next on the agenda is our outdoor music sensory area, which will offer even more interactive and creative learning opportunities for our pupils.

Claire McBride of St Mary's PTFA said; "Thank you so much, to Euxton Parish Council, we are overjoyed with the kindness and generosity of Euxton Council towards us." Euxton Parish Council recently contributed £1,000 to this project for the forest school, sensory garden and allotment space.

Euxton St Mary's is proud to continue fostering a love of learning through these innovative outdoor spaces.

We have places available. If you would like a tour of our school, please contact Michelle, our school bursar, at [bursar@euxton-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@euxton-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk) or call us at 01257 262049.

**Sue Noblet, Headteacher**



## Growing Together as a Community

Primrose Hill Primary School's New Initiatives



Primrose Hill Primary School is committed to fostering a vibrant and connected community by building bridges between the school and our local families, friends, and neighbours. This year, we are focusing on what we can offer the community - and in turn, what the community can bring to us. Through new initiatives, we hope to create spaces where friendships grow, and everyone feels welcome.

Recently, we held our very first "Primrose Buds" stay and play session on Friday 1st November, and excited to report that the event was a great success!



With a wonderful turnout of local families, the session provided a space for young children (ages 4 and under) to play, explore, and socialise, while parents and caregivers connected over coffee and conversation. Due to the enthusiasm and positive feedback, we will be continuing these sessions after Christmas. These events are free to attend, and we invite all families with young children to join us for our upcoming Christmas-themed session on Friday, 13th December - a festive morning filled with holiday cheer and seasonal activities.

In addition to the "Primrose Buds" sessions, we are excited to look at launching two new community-building projects: a community garden and "Knit and Natter" gatherings. We are seeking volunteers who would enjoy contributing to these activities. Whether you are a green thumb or an enthusiastic knitter, if you have an hour or more to spare each week and would like to make new friends, we would love to hear from you!

**Mrs Claire Jones**  
Headteacher

To get involved or learn more about our activities, please do not hesitate to reach out to us on 01257 276688. Let's work together to make Primrose Primary School a thriving hub of friendship, learning, and community support.

# Balshaw Lane Primary School

We were delighted that so many families chose our school this year so that our Reception year is full again. Our school has now grown to two-form entry: we have two straight-age classes in each year group. Although Balshaw Lane has increased in size in recent years, parents tell us that we have retained the warm, family feel alongside our fantastic curriculum.

We received two awards in September: the Primary Quality Science Mark which recognises our high-quality science provision across school, and the Platinum Sports Award for our superb range of extra-curricular activities. At Balshaw Lane, we are focused on enrichment for our children to enable them to gain confidence and develop their talents.

This term, our charitable work has continued with harvest donations to Derian House and the Storehouse foodbank; the Poppy Appeal and Children in Need. Several of our children kindly donated hair to the Princess Trust with Rylie raising £348 for Dogs for Autism.

We were sorry to see Rev'd Amy leave in September - the children had always enjoyed her visits. Throughout the year, we welcome a range of visitors to enrich the children's learning. This term, we've had visits from Deacon Ellen for the harvest assembly and our regular visitor came in to talk about Judaism.

Our strong partnership with Ebb & Flo bookshop continues. Recently, we had an author visit from Lauren Hoffmeier for Reception and KS1 pupils. They loved the animal character who came with Lauren!

We will soon be celebrating Christmas with our annual Senior Citizens' party. It's always a highlight of our festive season. Guests will be welcomed with refreshments in our hall with café-style tables. The infants will perform their nativity and then we will have a raffle for a hamper. If you know a local resident who would like to attend, please call our office on 01257 278722.

From January 2025, Balshaw Lane Primary will have a new headteacher, Mrs Hodgson. She is an experienced head who is moving to our school. Mrs Hodgson is lovely and a great fit for our school. She's already been into school several times as part of our handover.

I am retiring from school after fourteen years as head. It has been a huge privilege serving the Euxton community and all its families. Working with the Parish Council has always been a pleasure and I am grateful for all their support for our school community.

I wish you all the very best for the festive season and the future.

**Ms Helen Gregson**  
Headteacher

Charity event for the Princess Trust and Dogs for Autism



Right: Mrs Chambers retired after 34 years of teaching, fourteen of them at Balshaw Lane. We will miss her!



## Churches Together in Euxton Careline

Do you live in Euxton?  
Do you have difficulty getting to appointments or shopping?

*Careline could help you*

We are a friendly team of volunteers who are here to help with your transport problems. There is no charge, but some customers make a donation, which helps with general expenses.

Phone our friendly coordinator

Michael Thompson on 07766 066094

Volunteers welcome

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EUXTON PARISH CHURCH COMMUNITY CENTRE

# COFFEE MORNING



IN THE HALL ON

## Third Wednesday's

16<sup>th</sup> January 2025

20<sup>th</sup> February 2025

20<sup>th</sup> March 2025

17<sup>th</sup> April 2025

FROM

## 9.30am to 11.30am

TOMBOLA STALL, REFRESHMENTS, RAFFLE

CAKE STALL, GOOD AS NEW etc.

Admission £1 includes coffee and biscuits

All money raised goes to community funds



# Euxton Library

## Future Events:

Wednesday 4th December - Lancashire Adult Learning: Festive Decorations - 9:30am\*

Wednesday 4th December - Euxton St Mary's School Singing at 2:00pm

Saturday 7th December FOEL Event: Hindley Ukulele Band 10:30am - 11:30am

Monday 9th December - Balshaw Lane School Singing at 2:00pm

Wednesday 11th December - Lancashire Adult Learning: Festive Wreath Making - 9:30am

Wednesday 11th December - Euxton C of E School Singing at 2:00pm

Saturday 14th December - FOEL Meeting, 9:30am

Wednesday 18th December - Primrose Hill School Singing at 1:45pm

Saturday 4th January - Children's Winter Crafts, 10:30 - 12:00 (suitable for children 3 and upwards)

\*booking essential

## Regular Events:

### Monday

Lancashire Dialect Group 10:30am - 11:30am

Card Games Group 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Storytime 2:00pm - 2:30pm\*

### Wednesday

Family History Group 10.30am - 12.00 #

Craft Group 1:30 - 3:00pm \$

### Thursday

Baby, Bounce and Rhyme 9:30am - 10:00am\*

Get Online at Your Library 10.30am - 12.00 #

### Friday

Toddler Time 10:00am - 10:30am\*

Knit and Natter 2:00pm - 4:00pm

### Saturday

Quiet Hour

9:00am - 10:00am first Saturday of month

\*Term Time only; # Booking essential; \$ Fortnightly



Katrina Reed presented a Trophy to Mrs Jones, Headteacher at Primrose Hill School.

Primrose Hill had the highest number of children sign up for the summer reading challenge. The trophy was purchased by the Friends of Euxton Library. Katrina also presented individual certificates to the children.

The Friends of Euxton Library hosted a "Wartime Singalong" on Saturday 2nd November at Euxton PC Community Centre.

The music was provided by the fabulous Coppull & Standish Band. During the interval hotpot with all the trimmings was devoured by the audience.

A big thank you to the Coppull & Standish Band and to the community for supporting this event and making it a success.



Come and celebrate Christmas at Euxton Library

Our local schools will be coming to sing to us.

Tea and Coffee will be served.

Wednesday 4th December Euxton St Mary's 2:00pm

Monday 9th December Balshaw Lane 2:00pm

Wednesday 11th December Euxton C of E 2:00pm

Wednesday 18th December Primrose Hill 1:45pm

## Library Opening Hours

Monday 9 am to 7 pm

Tuesday closed all day

Wednesday\* 9 am to 5 pm

Thursday 9 am to 1 pm

Friday 9 am to 5 pm

Saturday 9 am to 1 pm

\* 2nd Wednesday of the month, closed 9-10am for staff training





## Moveathon on the Green

Euxton Methodist Scout Group and Intrepid Explorer Scout Unit, with permission, used the Millennium Green on Friday 27th and Saturday 28th September for a sponsored Moveathon.

Our young people aged between 6 years and 17 years, their families, adult leaders and past members joined us over 24 hours to walk in a relay continuously around the track on the Millennium Green. Our intention was to raise money for St Catherine's Hospice in memory of one of our former Beaver Scout leaders.

Over the 24 hour period, we walked a cumulative distance equivalent to walking from Euxton to Berlin (as the crow flies), and more importantly raised an amazing total of £1,486.

Thank you once again for giving us the opportunity to put our plan into action and equally as important, being able to do it within the community that we feel very much a part of.



This photo is just minutes after we finished our last lap after 24 hours!



A free guide is available entitled "At home with dementia information guide"

Whether things are already a bit tricky, or you're fine with how things are but want them to stay that way as long as possible, there are practical things you can do to make living at home with dementia easier.

This guide looks at how you can make your home more dementia-friendly, talking you through things room by room. It includes:

- changes to keep your kitchen safe and comfortable
- making sure your house is lit properly
- getting out and about
- how to help if your loved one has dementia

It also lists useful organisations that offer specialist help and support for people living with dementia.

The guide can be downloaded using the QR code or link below:



<https://bit.ly/DementiaAtHome>

At home with dementia



Tips for making your home dementia friendly

AgeUK1205

## Euxton Singers look forward to 2025

In November the Euxton Singers staged a sell out three night concert at the Community Centre, raising funds for the local charity SLEAP, which cares for young people in the Euxton / Leyland / Chorley areas. The concert was followed by an evening singing at Chorley Tesco, raising funds for St. Catherine's Hospice. Thanks to all who supported us.

The Euxton Singers are a ladies choir which meets in the Community Centre every Wednesday for practices. The choir's main aim is to promote the joy of music.



The Euxton Singers in concert. Why not join us?

In 2025 we are putting together a new programme of songs which are sure to please and which will include many favourites from the charts of today and yesteryear, along with selections from the top musical shows. It promises to be one of the best yet!

We currently have just over 40 members, but are always looking for more and would make any new members really welcome. There are no auditions, and all ladies are encouraged to join. If you are interested please contact our secretary, Jill Mitchell on 07946 388872, or by email at [jill@mitchellmail.org](mailto:jill@mitchellmail.org) alternatively you can just pop along - without obligation - to see us at our rehearsals on any Wednesday, starting on January 22nd.

We look forward to seeing you!



## Reflecting on 2024

As the clocks go back, and the nights draw in the 2024 season is now a distant memory at Euxton CC. It was another year of progression with some success on the field.

We unveiled our new Clubhouse bar 'Catty's Bar' in memory of much-loved Club stalwart Dave Catterall, a real improvement to the facilities for members and visitors alike.

Euxfest24 in August was again a great success despite some questionable weather, as we have now come to expect. Thanks to everyone who attended as it allows the Club to finance the cricket for all.

Our first season in the Northern Premier League was mixed with some great individual performances at the highest level of local cricket. Skipper James Bone leading the way with both bat and ball.

The 2nd XI achieved promotion from Division 3 after some near misses in recent years. A mixture of young and old led the team to becoming League Champions.

Martin Millward leading the way with the ball and Mark Winrow with the bat topping the league charts. Well done boys.

The Sunday 1st XI was a similar mix of generations and as ever Will Woodall led the team to a strong 3rd place finish. Over the season over a dozen players were 16 or under, great for the Clubs development.

The junior Academy provided cricket for all ages from under 9's to the senior cricket pathway. The teams represented the Club in the Wigan and District league in 2024 and finished strong across the board without managing to capture a league title.

However, the under 15 mixed team won the League Cup beating a strong Rainhill CC side in the final. In addition, Jack Gibson has been selected to train with the Lancashire under 14's squad over the Winter. Great work Jack.

The brilliant addition to the Clubs development this year was the first season of women and girls' cricket. We had two girls Dynamos teams representing the Club finishing 3rd and 4th in the league. This was born from another season of All Stars and Dynamos cricket that is available for ages 5 to 8 years. To register interest for 2025 check out the ECB website <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars>

So, with Christmas around the corner the Club is wrapped up for Winter but is still always available for social events and bookings as well as open each weekend for a quick drink and some live sport. For booking details, please see our Play Cricket page. <https://euxton.play-cricket.com/home>

**Phil Barber**  
Chairperson, Euxton Cricket Club



## Euxton Walks -

Euxton has 45 public rights of way all described and mapped in the 'Walkers Guide to Euxton'. Pick one up at Euxton Library. Map display boards are at the Library, Union Place BV, Brookwood Way BV, and at the Skate Park Southport Road.



## CMA Ryu

Japanese Ju-Jitsu  
Traditional System; Modern Style

Classes for Children & Adults Every Friday  
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## Euxton Methodist Church

### Sunday, 15th December

10.30 am - Church Service and Christingle - everyone welcome, the children will parade into Church with the Christingles they have made

### Sunday, 22nd December

10.30 am - Church Service & Nativity  
Everyone welcome to this service, especially young families to share in the greatest story ever told.

### 6.15 pm - Family Carol Service

Familiar carols and readings together with time for reflection. A must for everyone.

### Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day

9.30 am - Christmas Day Service -  
A family friendly, Christmas Celebration.  
Giving thanks for Gods greatest gift

## St Mary's RC Church

### Saturday 21st December

7.30 pm Charity Carol Concert with the Octavius Singers - Entrance is free but there will be a collection for the work of the Order of St Lazarus, which includes supporting those suffering from leprosy in Sri Lanka. Mulled Wine and Mince Pies in the Social Centre afterwards.

### Tuesday 24th December

7 pm First Mass of Christmas with the Blessing of the Crib - Mulled wine & Mince Pies afterwards in the Social Centre

### Wednesday 25th December

8.30 am Christmas Day Mass at St Mary's  
10.30 am Mass at St Catherine's

# Church Services

## Euxton CofE Parish Church

### Sunday 1st December

4pm Remembering with Love service

### Sunday 15th December

5pm All Age Carol Service

### Wednesday 18th December

11am Carol Service

### Sunday 22nd December

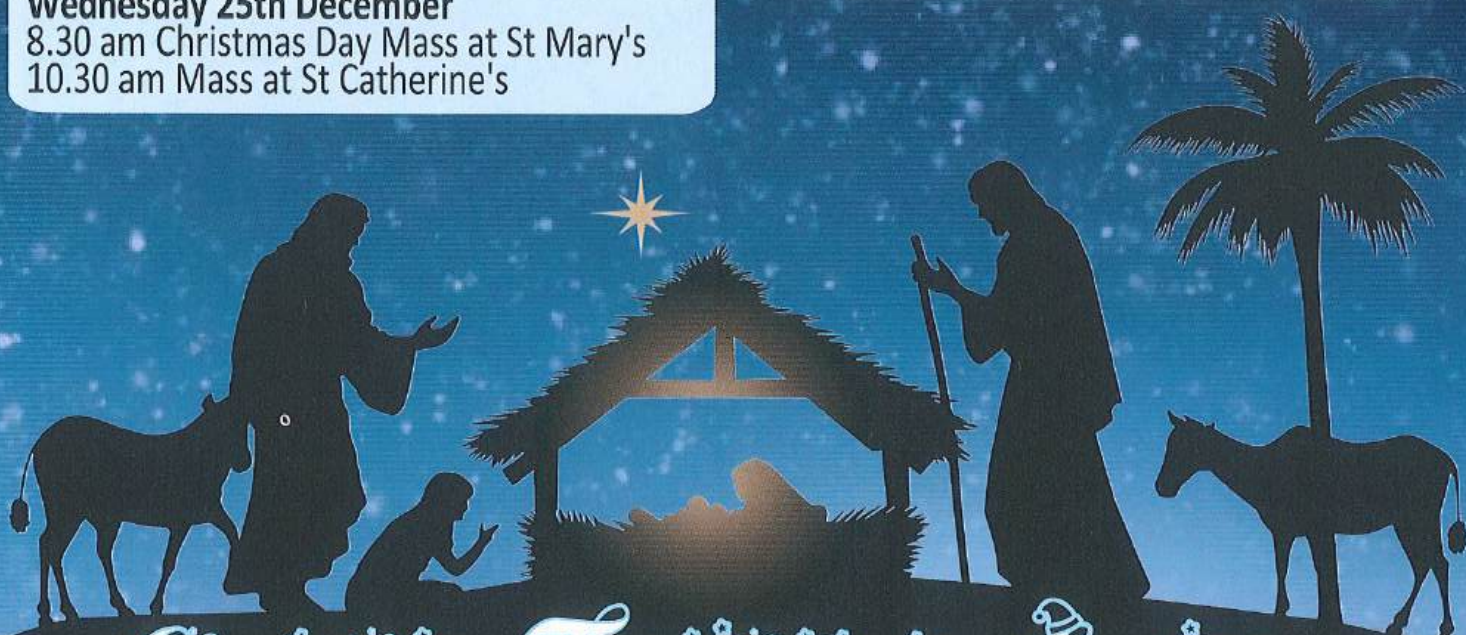
9.15am all age DIY Nativity Service (come dressed as your favourite nativity character and be part of the story)

### Tuesday 24th December

4pm Family Carol Service  
11.15pm Midnight Communion

### Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day

10am Christmas Day Family Communion



# Churches Together in Euxton

## Euxton Parish Council

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## Council Meetings

Council meetings are normally the third Thursday of the month at 7.15 pm and held in the Annexe at Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton. Please check the website or noticeboards for the dates and venues. Members of the public are very welcome to attend all meetings.

### 2025 meetings Thursdays:

**16 January, 20 February, 20 March, 17 April, 15 May, 19 June, 17 July**

## Noticeboard Locations

- Wigan Road, St Mary's car park
- Wigan Road opposite Euxton Mills
- Euxton Lane junction with Wentworth Drive
- Euxton Buckshaw Village behind the Hub adjacent to play area
- Euxton Buckshaw Village Barnes Wallis Way behind Tesco
- Euxton Buckshaw Village at the Lancaster Way Community Centre
- Euxton Buckshaw on Brookwood Way
- Chancery Road opposite Chancery Fields
- Highways Avenue shops
- Southport Road Skate Park
- Runshaw Lane shops
- Allotment site

### Euxton Buckshaw Ward

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