

## Orton Church of England Primary School

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WOW, what a fabulous event this was on Saturday. We had a record turn out and what a lovely friendly atmosphere there was around school. It was lovely to see so many of our families there supporting the event. We had 52 junior runners and a huge 106 senior runners!! We were delighted to see a huge

contingent who had travelled from Manchester and were making a weekend of it by staying in Kirkby Stephen!! This was as a result of word of mouth from last year!! Chorlton, we hope you join us again next year!

The event raised an amazing £1687 for FOOS.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped and supported in any way from baking cakes, running, marshalling, registering runners, setting up and clearing away, serving refreshments, providing generous prizes for the runners and raffle prizes etc. It was such a team effort and we really appreciate your support to help raise so much money which will be spent on our children.

We owe a couple of very very special thank yous. Firstly, to Simon Mounsey for all the time, effort and expertise he puts in to organising the Fell Race. It couldn't happen without Simon leading the way. The runners were so complimentary about the course and organisations especially the thorough flagging that Simon had done at 6am!

Secondly, to Jo Hayward for everything she has done to organise and coordinate FOOS for the Fell Race. Jo does such a lot behind the scenes to make sure these events run so smoothly. She always arrives and leaves with a car load of resources that have had to be planned and brought together as well as coordinating the volunteers.

Both Simon and Jo drafted in their wider families to help as well! It is difficult to find the words to express our sincerest gratitude to you both so just a massive

## THANK YOU

### Bags to Schools

It is the FOOS Bags to Schools collection on Thursday. Please leave your donations in the Summer house on Thursday morning before 9am. You can check what they collect here;

https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect

#### Piano

One of our families has a piano they no longer need and are willing to give it away free to a good home. If you are interested please get in touch with the school office.

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Our first Stars Assembly of the year is on Friday 29th September at 9.15am. Visitors are very welcome to join us in school for our Stars Celebration! We hope you can join us. If you would like a Zoom link please let us know in advance and \* we can set one up.

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It's our Harvest Service this Thursday in All Saint's church at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to join us in church.

We are inviting the children to bring harvest gifts that will be presented at the beginning of the service. These should be non-perishable products such as tins, pasta, rice, toiletries. Our gifts will be donated to The Upper Eden Food Bank.

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## Car Parking & Pedestrian Safety

Please help us to keep everyone safe by not parking outside the front of school at drop off and collection times. Please park a little further away and walk the last bit.

It is also helpful if those dropping off and collecting children from school avoid driving along the road in front of school. If you really must please travel from North to South (the same direction as the buses).

Finally always use the pedestrian access rather the the staff car park to access school even when dropping off and picking up from Breakfast and After School Clubs.

Please could you pass this on to anyone who might drop off / collect your children on your behalf.

Thank you in anticipation of your help to keep everyone safe.



All diary dates are subject to last minute change. More details will follow near the time. Blue denotes new dates

26/9/23	Classes 3 & 4 Trip to Buddhist Temple &
	Playdale Factory
27/9/23	Settlebeck Open Evening
28/9/23	FOOS Bags to Schools Collection
	9.30am Harvest Festival All Saint's Church

Class 4 Netball Competition 29/9/23 9.15am Stars 3/10/23 9.15am Open Morning 5/10/23 10.30am Nasal Flu – R-Yr6 KSGS Open evening for Year 5 & 6 5/10/23 6/10/23 1-2pm Tim Farron visit

W/c 9/10/23 Swimming Wk World Mental Health Day 10/10/23

7-9pm FOOS Glass Fusion evening 12/10/23

13-20/10/23 Scholastic Book Fair

16/10/23 Hunter Hall Cross Country - Yrs 4/5/6 Cauliflower Cards last order date

17/10/23 Parents Evening

20/10/23 Pink Day

2.50pm Stars & Break Up 30/10/23 9am Start of half term

10/11/23 10.30am Remembrance Worship

17/11/23 Children in Need 24/11/23 2.50pm Stars

28/11/23 7-8.30pm FOOS Wreath Making 12/12/23 2pm & 6pm Nativity Performances

15/12/23 9.15am Stars Christmas Lunch

19/12/23 1.30pm End of term service & break up

W/c 1/7/24 Class 4 IOM Residential