



# Orton Church of England Primary School

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## A Great Start to 2023

We've had a busy start to the term. Highlights include four of our children qualifying for the Cumbria Cross-County Championships which were last week at Sedbergh Prep. Alice, Bella-Blossom, Daisy and Roman put their everything into running fantastic races. They were truly AMAZING! Each race had around 100 very competitive runners. Huge congratulations to our runners it was an amazing achievement and we are all incredibly proud of you all.

Class 3 and 4 enjoyed their visit to the Mosque this week, the Imam was very welcoming and we learned lots about Islam and the beliefs and traditions of Muslims. This was followed by a curling session at The Flower Bowl which was great fun. It was a brilliant day of unique experiences, learning and fun.



## Curriculum

Do you know that you can find lots of information on our school website about the learning we have planned for children? Each half term our teachers produce a curriculum overview which is published on our school website for your information. You can find our curriculum information here;

<https://www.ortoncofeprimary.co.uk/curriculum/>

## Cyber Crime Talk

Just a reminder that our postponed Cyber Crime talk by Cumbria Police is now on Thursday 9th February at 3.45pm. This is for all parents, staff, governors, community members. This is very important not only to keep our children safe but for everyone's lives so please make it a priority to join us.

There will be free After School Club from 3.30pm-approx 4.45pm for your children if you are attending the talk.



## Stay and Play

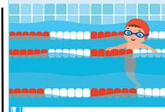
Please spread the word about our Stay and Play sessions, all are welcome whether they intend to send their children to Orton in the future or not. The sessions are every Tuesday 9.30am—11.30am. Everyone with children from 0-3 is welcome, no booking or payment required and refreshments provided. Please feel free to spread the word to anyone who might know.



## Stars

This half term are Friday 27th January at 9.15am and Friday 17th February at 2.50pm. Visitors are very welcome to join us in school for our Stars Celebration! We hope you can join us. We haven't had anyone join us on Zoom for the last couple of Stars assemblies so we aren't planning to continue with this. If you would like a zoom link please let us know and we can set one up.

## Swimathon



It is the Rotary Swimathon on Saturday at Penrith leisure Centre. Our team is swimming from 4-5pm. Swimmers should arrive and be ready for their warm up for 3.45pm. More swimmers are welcome. We are also asking everyone in our school community to collect sponsors for our swimmers. Attached is a sponsor form if you have misplaced the one we previously sent out.

We have some spaces available for children in KS2 to take up a musical instrument. We can offer guitar, piano or brass instrument lessons. Lessons are weekly and cost £8/lesson.



## Online Safety

There is lots of information about staying safe online on our school website;

<https://www.ortoncofeprimary.co.uk/online-safety-links/>

# Diary Dates



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

27/1/23	9.15am Stars
28/1/23	4pm Rotary Swimathon, Penrith
1/2/23	Young Voices
	NEU Industrial Action—see previous letter
7/2/23	Safer Internet Day
8/2/23	Class 3 & 4 Crass Taster Session
9/2/23	Class 3 Quicksticks
9/2/23	3.45pm Cyber Crime Talk by Cumbria Police
13/2/23	7pm FOOS Meeting—All welcome
16/2/23	Class 1 Big Sing at Appleby
16/2/23	12.30-3pm Year 5/6 Dodgeball Comp KSGS
16/2/23	5.30-6.30pm FOOS Valentine Children's Disco
17/2/23	2.50pm Stars
	Break up for Half Term
27/2/23	Half Term Starts
28/2/23	Class 4 trip to London – Parliament
2/3/23	World Book Day
6/3/23	Key Steps Competition—Appleby
8/3/23	Holi Festival Celebration
10/3/23	9.15am Stars
11/3/23	Spring Farmers Market
14/3/23	Parent Meetings
16/3/23	Eden Netball final – KSGS
21/3/23	Bags2 Schools Collection – FOOS
24/3/23	2.50pm Stars
31/3/23	1.30pm End of Term Service
	End of Term
17/4/23	Start of Summer Term
26-28/4/23	Class 3 Residential – Hawes End
2/5/23	Wheelchair Basketball
8/5/23	Coronation Bank Holiday
W/c 22/5/23	Class 4 Residential York
14/6/23	KSGS Yr 6 Transition Day