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Harvest

Thank you to everyone who donated Harvest gifts. These have now been taken to the Upper Eden Food Bank, based at Appleby.



Facebook Page



Over the last few days we have launched our new school Facebook page. We are planning to share some the lovely things that are happening everyday in our happy little school. You can find our page here;
<https://www.facebook.com/OrtonCEPrimarySchool/>
Please remember to follow our page to see our news and feel free to share the link with friends and family to spread the joy.

Christmas Cards!

You will shortly be receiving your child's Christmas card artwork!!!
Please place your order on the Cauliflower cards website (full details are included)
Last date for ordering them is Monday 18th October and don't forget to return your child's artwork to school.

LFD Tests

To help keep our community safe, we are encouraging adults in families to continue carrying out regular LFD testing at home. Please remember these do not replace PCR test, if you have a positive LFD test or any Covid symptoms you should still book a confirmatory PCR test.

Umbrellas



We have a limited number of Orton CE School golf umbrellas. If anyone would like one they are £25 each including a small donation to FOOS. Just let us know in the office or you will be able to purchase one through Parentpay.

World Mental Health Day



It is World Mental Health Day on Sunday. The mental health of everyone is so important and has of course been highlighted to us all even more during Covid. Today we will be having a day of fun activities to support our children's mental health. Please remember it is OK to not be OK and reach out for support if you are ever struggling, there are amazing people who can help and you are not alone.

Parent Meetings

These are being held on Tuesday 12th October. Please return your request for a meeting to the school office ASAP.

Diary Dates



All diary dates are subject to change.

8.10.21	Mental Health Day Activities
12.10.21	Parents Meetings
15.10.21	KS2 Fell Walk—Murton Pike details to follow
18.10.21	Christmas Card Last Orders
22.10.21	Pink Day—Breast Cancer
22.10.21	2.50pm Stars—No visitors yet
22.10.21	Break Up
1.11.21	New Half Term Starts
10.11.21	Sausage Making
11.11.21	Remembrance
12.11.21	Children in Need
7 & 8.12.21	Nativity—Provisional Dates TBC
10.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
14.12.21	All Saints Christingle Service—evening
17.12.21	End of Term

Gardens

Autumn has arrived now but did you notice how lovely our school gardens and grounds have looked since we came back in September? Thank you to our new gardeners Owen and Steve for all their hard work keeping things looking so good.

Brass Lessons

We still have a small number of spaces available for children to learn brass instruments. If any Key Stage 2 children would like to take up a brass instrument please let us know in the office.



Teaching Students

It is so important that we support the teachers of the future so we continue our partnership with the University of Cumbria this year. We have recently welcomed into school Miss Coary who is working in Class 2 and Mr Gault who is working in Class 4. We continue to support Miss Dunkinson on her Teaching Assistant placement in Class 2. Please say hello to them if you see them around.