



Orton Church of England Primary School

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Welcome Back

We hope you all had a lovely break from the school routine over the Summer. We have had a lovely start to the new school year with lots of excitement and happiness in school.

Sadly, as I write it, feels overshadowed by the news of Queen Elizabeth II's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and with all those who are affected by her passing. We pray for her family, for our country and Commonwealth and for our new monarch, King Charles III.

This morning we have held an assembly to think about the Queen and her family. We know many of our children are feeling sad about this news. We have explained that it is OK to feel sad and we have encouraged them to talk to grown ups at school and home about how they are feeling. We are always here to offer any support that is needed.

A book of condolences will be opening in All Saint's church very soon. All are welcome to go along and write their message.

Lunches

Payment for lunches this half term is £66. This can be paid weekly, monthly or termly on ParentPay. If your child has recently moved into Year 3 please remember you will now have to pay for lunches they are only free for Reception to Year 2.

FOOS

All parents and carers of children at Orton CE Primary School are automatically members of FOOS (Friends of Orton School). This is our PTA organisation. FOOS raise vital money for school so we can afford little extras. Please support their events and fund raising when you can. If you could lend them a hand with any events it would be much appreciated.

In September there will be another Bags 2 Schools collection and the Fell Race is back!! See diary dates.

Car Parking

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).

Thank you in anticipation of your help in keeping everyone safe.

Stars

Our next Stars is Friday 30th September at 9.15am. Visitors are very welcome to join us in school for our Stars Celebration! We hope you can join us.

We have also set up a zoom for anyone who finds that more convenient.

<https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/75815580996?pwd=W2j87f95bfuyckWKFWMUZXNkIiMwN.1>

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The final report from our June inspection can now be shared with everyone. Copies were sent home on Wednesday with the oldest child of each family.

We are delighted that the inspectors judged that Orton CE School remains a **GOOD** school.



Stay and Play

Stay and Play will start again next Tuesday 13th from 9.30-11.30am. Anyone with children from 0-3 are welcome to come and join us. Please spread the word.

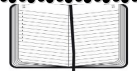
Can you help making and serving refreshments at Stay and Play? We are looking for some extra volunteers to go on a rota to help. Please let us know if you can help.



Musical Instrument Lessons Restart

Mr Baker will be teaching piano and guitar on a Monday and Mrs Wignall will be teaching brass on a Thursday. Lessons restart on 12th September. Please return your musical instrument letter ASAP if your child would like to continue or take up a new musical instrument.

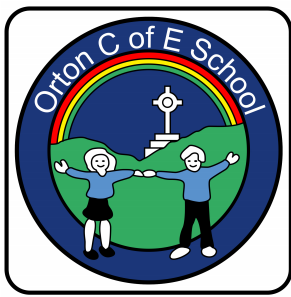
Diary Dates



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

Blue denotes new dates

12/9/22	ASC Razzmatazz – KS1
12/9/22	7pm FOOS Meeting
13/9/22	9.30-11.30am Stay and Play resumes
13/9/22	ASC Art with Andi – KS2
15/9/22	Cross Country event—details to follow ASAP
20/9/22	UK Parliament Workshop for KS2
21/9/22	FOOS Bags2Schools collection
	Rewilding workshops – KS1 am & KS2 pm
23/9/22	Gav Cross Tell Take Twit workshops KS2
	Rewilding show performances
24/9/22	FOOS Orton Fell Race
30/9/22	9.15am Stars
9-11.30am	Open Morning for All
10/10/22	World Mental Health Day
21/10/22	Pink Day
2.50pm	Stars & Break Up
31/10/22	9am Half term starts
11/11/22	10.30am Remembrance Worship
18/11/22	Children in Need
	2.50pm Stars
6/12/22	A Christmas Journey Methodist Chapel
9/12/22	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
	9.15am Stars
20/12/22	1.30pm End of Term Service All Saints
20/12/22	Break up
W/c 22/5/23	Class 4 Residential York



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Message from Mrs Jenkin

Thankyou.....

What a lovely end of year and Leavers service we had at All Saints' at the end of term in July.

We do wish all those young people going on to a new school a great time – what an adventure to step forward into the next phase of their lives.

At that service there were several awards given out and imagine my stunned surprise that I was selected as this year's recipient of the John Falshaw Cup. So stunned was I that I just did not know what to say except 'thankyou' but really that was not adequate.

I should like to say here that the award was not just for me but for all those who support the school as volunteers in any way - the Governors, those who hear readers, those who help with extra things like cooking or swimming and of course the loyal team of people who go into school every two weeks throughout the year for the Open the Book presentations, those who help with Charlie's Church and those who take part in welcoming the older children to Church to learn more about the place itself, as well those who lead assemblies for Worship Wednesdays. I am sure there are others too, and I apologise if I have left you out but this year I hold that cup on behalf of all those who support Orton School as a volunteer in any way at all. You are valued and appreciated by the Governors and School Staff alike.

Thank you, Mary Jenkin.



Following our end of year shows our collection for the Red Cross Ukraine Appeal raised a wonderful £158.50. Thank you to everyone who contributed

CCC Energy Grant Scheme

A grants scheme is currently running where people can get between £10 & £25k to install energy efficiency measures in their homes – no contribution required. Please check if you are eligible. More information on the scheme is on the Carlisle City Council website, as they are the lead for Cumbria (all districts are taking part). [Sustainable Warmth Cumbria Grants \(carlisle.gov.uk\)](https://www.carlisle.gov.uk)

M & S

We are desperately looking for more volunteers to collect produce from M&S in Penrith. The M & S pop-up shop is a vital fundraiser for our school bringing in around £2000 per year as well as providing snacks and food for our clubs.

We are currently looking for volunteers for Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays around 8pm and Sundays at 4.15pm. We also have the opportunity to collect from Aldi in Penrith at 1pm each day.

If you or anyone else you know could help either on a regular basis or on a more adhoc basis please let us know and we can provide more details.



Jubilee Garden

We will shortly be doing some work in our Jubilee Garden to revitalise the area. We would really like to put some simple log seats out for the children to sit on.

Do you have a chainsaw and access to come suitable logs? Are you or someone you know able to help us?



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