

Orton Church of England Primary School

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Welcome Back!

I hope you have all had a lovely Summer break from the school routine. We had a really good start to the term last week, which has set us up really well for the year. There is lots to share with you so please keep scrolling down on the newsletter for all kinds of other news!

ASC

This half term we have two free After School Clubs. Tomorrow (3.40-4.40pm) is Zumba with Nicola. This is also open to parents / family members so come and join in the fun if you can On Thursday we have Art Club for KS2.

Please book by emailing admin@orton.cumbria.sch.uk

Orton Fell Race Saturday 28th September

The Orton Fell Race is a great sporting event and fun day out for everyone attracting runners from the local community and further afield. It is also FoOS biggest fundraiser and we need your help to make this year's event a great success. Can you help with a shift in the kitchen, out on the course itself, with registration or taking part in the race of course?! It is just 3 weeks away, so please let us know how you can help. We'll also need lots of cakes for the hungry runners!

Stay and Play

Tomorrow, Tuesday 10th, sees the first session of Stay and Play for the year. To maximise learning time for our Reception children we are going to move Stay and Play to the afternoons. These will run from 1.30pm –3.30pm every Tuesday in term time. Please spread the word as they are open to all parents and their babies and toddlers. Families don't have to be considering Orton School to come along to these free and friendly play sessions. The more the merrier!

ECS Textiles Collection

ECS textiles will arrange a collection in October date TBC. They will collect anything but furniture. So that includes clothes and shoes, household linens (not duvets and pillows), hard and soft toys, books and games, small electrical items, crockery and bric-a-brac. Please ensue all items are clean and in good condition. They pay for what they collect in weight, so have a good sort out and see what you can find! More details to follow.

School Lottery Our school lottery is a great fund raiser for our school. Scroll down for further details. Please ioin if you can and ask family and friends to join





ASDA Cashpot for Schools

Anyone shopping with asda and have the app can choose to support Orton CE Primary School.

Please scroll down to find more details. All these

little things make a huge difference to our school funding.

Stars

Our next Stars Assembly of the year is on Friday 27th September at 2.50pm. Visitors are very welcome to join us in school for our Stars Celebration! We hope you can join us.

Orton Market Hall Bingo Friday 11th October

Orton Market Hall will very kindly host a Bingo Night in aid of Friends of Orton School. This is a great fun, family night with lots of prizes to be won! Please come along if you can to show your support and if you would like to donate a raffle prize, please pop it into the office. If you have any unwanted new items that would be suitable for a lucky dip at the Fell Race or a bingo prize, please put aside and drop into the office.

FoOS Annual AGM

FoOs will hold their annual AGM soon. We will discuss how the funds you have helped to raise have benefited the school over the past year and we will plan for the future year. It is also the time when the official roles for the committee will be voted in. The 3 core roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary are essential legally for the organisation to continue. We are always looking for volunteers to join our small but mighty and friendly team. You don't have to nominate yourself for an official role. Come and join our meetings to share and discuss ideas and organise events or join our WhatsApp group. Our funds help the school to plan for so many fun and exciting activities for the children including residentials.

Diary Dates



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

	Dide delibles new dates
10/9/24	Zumba parent & child ASC starts 3.40-4.40pm
12/9/24	ASC Art with Andi Starts

13/9/24 KS2 Fell Walk Up Murton Pike 14/9/24 QEGS entrance exam date

19/9/24 Cross Country at KSGS for Years 2,3,4,5 & 6 21/9/24 Families Together Harvest Hoedown

27/9/24 Yr5/6 Netball Competition QEGS 2.50pm Stars

28/9/24 Fell Race—Runners, cakes & volunteers!

W/c 30/9/24 Swimming Week 3/10/24 9.30am Harvest Service

7/10/24 Christmas Card Order deadline—More info soon

8/10/24 Open Morning—everyone welcome

10/10/24 World Mental Health Day 11/10/24 FOOS Bingo in Market Hall 18/10/24 Pink Day For Breast Cancer Now

23/10/24 Parent Meetings

25/10/24 9.15am Stars Yrs 4, 5 & 6 Railway Children at KSGS

End of Half term 4/11/24 Start of half term

5/11/24 Hunter Hall Cross Country

11/11/24 10.30am Remembrance Worship

15/11/24 Children in Need 22/11/24 9.15am Stars

7/12/24 Christmas Farmers Market

10/12/24 2pm & 6pm Nativity

12/12/24 KS2 Chitty Chitty Bang Bang—Blackpool 13/12/24 Save the Children Christmas Jumper Dav

2/24 Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day 2.50pm Stars

6pm Christingle in All Saints Church

17/12/24 EYFS & KS1 The Man who wanted to be a penguin—Brewery, Kendal

18/12/24 Christmas Lunch (Christmas Jumpers)

19/12/24 Christmas Party

20/12/24 1.30pm End of Term Christmas Service Church End of term



Friends of Orton School

ORTON FELL RACE

Saturday 28th September 2024

Fell races starting from Orton Primary School Junior races at 1pm (1 and 2 miles) Senior race at 2pm (approx 10km)

(All races are run in accordance with UKA rules for competition)

Entry on the day

Find us on Facebook @ Orton Fell Race

(Organiser: Simon Mounsey 07814604419)

Lakes & Dales cop

Free school meals and clothing vouchers

Apply online to see if your child or children can get free school meals and clothing vouchers. In certain circumstances free school meals are available to families with no recourse to public funds.

Qualifying for free school meals and school clothing vouchers

Benefits you receive

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit Provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit. Also your annual gross income of no more than £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit if your household income is less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Benefits your child receives

Children who get paid these benefits paid to them, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the compulsory age for starting school
- in full-time education

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2023.

If you receive working tax credits you may not be eligible for free school meals or clothing grants.

Any child receiving Income Support or Income Based Jobseekers Allowance in their own right is also entitled to get free school meals.

Free schools meals are available to statutory school aged children attending full time education. Full education is full days 9am to 3pm, this excludes private nurseries and further education colleges.

Apply for free school meals and school clothing vouchers

If you already get free school meals and clothing grants you do not need to apply for each school year.

Apply for free school meals and school clothing vouchers

- Where possible all parents and guardians should apply online. You will need to register on the Citizen Portal to do this. If you apply online you will receive an immediate response telling you if you are eligible for the vouchers.
- If you are unable to apply online please contact the free school meals team telephone: 0300 373 3300.

Super Draw

Win a £1,000 Sainsbury's

Voucher

OR £1,000 CASH PRIZE





- Tickets from just £1 a week
- Chance to win up to £25,000
- Play weekly, or just play the Super Draw!
- Support our fundraising!

PLAY NOW:

Go to

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

Search for: Orton





Gamble Aware

Lottery News

There are lots of reasons for our families to join the School Lottery:

- 1. It is easy
- 2. It is a good way to raise money for our school, with it costing our families from as little as £1 per week
- 3. One of our supporters wins a cash prize every week, the more supporters we have the more you win
 - 4. An added bonus of winning one of the national cash or gift prizes, this month, it is £1,000
- 5. If you refer your friends and family, you are also in with the chance to win an extra £200 Amazon voucher

We haven't heard that anyone has won any of the £25, 000 national prizes in July or August!

Well done to all our winners and thank you to those who have donated their winnings back. Also, a big thank you to our supporters. It is always great to see new people winning and also those who seem to win regularly!

This academic year, we have raised £434.80.

Since our launch in October 2014, we have raised an amazing £9,000 for our 'Friends of Orton School'.

The School Lottery is an excellent fundraiser for our school - raising just under £1000 per year to supplement the school budget! If you are interested in buying a ticket, and supporting our fundraising, please see the attached poster. If you are already a member please feel free to share with family members that might like to join.

Winners are announced weekly on our FOOS Facebook page.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Friends of Orton School (FOOS)



Activity Program for the 4th September 2024—25th October 2024

Day	Activity
Monday	Explorers club
Tuesday	*Free Zumba for parent and child
Wednesday	Craft
Thursday	*Free club KS2 Art club with Andy
Friday	Free choice Friday

*This term we have 2 free clubs, the first is Zumba which you can attend with your child this session is 3:40 - 4:30. The second is art club this is free for KS2 the first half term and KS1 after the half term holiday. KS1 are still able to attend club as usual.

To help our After School Club team with planning and ensuring we have enough resources, please make sure you book in advance through our email office@orton.cumbria.sch.uk



