

Great Orton School Newsletter

‘Inspiring you to be Great’

Spotted Assembly



We have listened to our parents’ views when you said it would be easier to attend a Friday afternoon than a Monday morning. Our spotted assemblies will now take place on Friday afternoons at 3pm. It has been lovely to see so many of you attend our special celebration assembly.



Children that have been ‘Spotted’ this month

Welcome back to school!

We hope you had a restful summer break!

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
A ~ 5/6	British government	World Wars (British impact)	Fit for life	Natural resources Extreme survivors	Impact from the 1800s (Victorians)	Young entrepreneurs
B ~ 5/6	Global citizenship (Charities, volunteering)	British dynasties (Tudors)	Water for everyone	Existing Endangered Extinct	British inventions	Mission to space
A ~ 3/4	Compare and contrast the lives of British people with _____	Temples, tombs and treasures (Egyptians)	Human Body (we are what we eat)	Active planet (earthquakes and volcanoes)	Making things go (energy and fuels)	Digital media
B ~ 3/4	Who lived here first? (Aborigines)	How did they build that? (Romans)	Roots, shoots and fruits	Recycling (a healthy planet)	Making the British news	Gateways to the world (airports etc)
A ~ 1/2	Famous British people	Carlisle in the past, present and future	Chocolate	Land, sea and sky	Rulers (including royalty)	Habitats (impact of climates)
B ~ 1/2	Let me tell you about my life	Our changing High Street	What’s on the menu?	I am alive (water, air, growth)	How do I make that? (design and technology)	Adventures (pirates)
A ~ N/R	Who am I?	Where I live	Our senses	Watch them grow (Living eggs)	What do you do? (Jobs)	Let’s go on holiday
B ~ N/R	Let’s make friends	Homes	Let’s be healthy	In the garden	People who help us	We are going on a journey
	Who we are	Living in the past	Keeping fit and healthy	Sharing the planet	How the world works	The world around us

Firstly, I would like to welcome our new reception children! They seem to have settled very quickly into school life and to their new routine; as have the rest of the school.

Our whole school topic this term is ‘Who we are’ and ‘Living in the past’. Our long-term topic planner will show you which areas we will be covering and when. Our area of focus this academic year is ‘A’.



We will be holding our parents evening on Thursday, 10th October 2019 from 3:40pm. until 6pm. You will be given the opportunity to make an appointment nearer the time.

You will be able to talk to your child's class teacher about how your child has settled and discuss the learning targets that have been set.

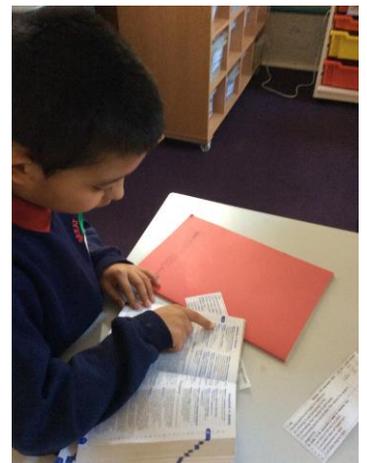
School Photographs will be taking place on Thursday, 17th October.

We would like to thank you for your support in managing the changes we have made to our school day; including allowing the children to come in independently (learning begins as soon as they arrive in the class) as well as with the changes to the walking bus.

Independent Learning

We encourage all our children to become independent learners; whether it is using the dictionary to find the meaning of a word, using the displays or other resources around the classroom or research using the laptops or iPads.

P.E. will take place on a Tuesday for class one; and for classes two and three it will be on Wednesdays and Fridays - Please can you remind your child to bring in their kits on these days. Reading is a very important part of children's learning and we do expect children to read at home. Could you please encourage your child to read to you and once they have done so, you should write in their reading record. We will then know how many times a child has read each week. Their reading books and records come home daily. Please let your child's class teacher know if it is not coming home and they will ensure that it does.



BABY AND TODDLER GROUPS COMING TO GREAT ORTON

As you can see, there is now a baby and toddler group, taking place in the village hall.

A baby and toddler group will also begin in January at Great Orton Primary School. It will take place on a Thursday afternoon from 1:20-3:20.



Messy Hands

Baby & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10am – 11.30am

From 1st October 2019

Great Orton Village Hall

£1.00 per family

Tea/coffee/juice

Children from class 2 are very focused on their cross-curricular activity - History and Art. Children are looking at examples of Mayan art and recreating their own reading for our display. 'Tapestry' is used by teachers in Class 1, in order to share children's progress throughout the year. Parents with children in Classes 2 and 3 are also invited to log in to their child's 'Tapestry' account. Teachers from KS2 will also begin uploading pictures and information to show you what the children have been learning, and show you their progress, particularly in the Foundation areas of the curriculum



We are asking parents to come forward if you are interested in supporting our school as a parent Governor. Please do pop in and see either Mrs Goffin or Mrs Wright

Finally, if you wish to discuss any matters please do come and see me at the end of the school day, or please talk to Mrs Wright, who will be able to let you know when the best time to come in and see me during the school day is.

Thank you for your continued support.

IMPORTANT DATES AND NOTICES

Thursday, 10th October 2019

Parent's evening

Friday, 11th October 2019

Harvest Festival ~ Parents will be welcomed to our assembly, which will begin at 2:45pm. It will be followed by our 'Spotted' Assembly

Thursday, 17th October 2019

School Photographs

Friday, 18th October 2019

End of this half term