



GREAT ORTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 6th March 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



We are a GOOD school – It's official; following our Ofsted two day inspection in January 2023. Thank you to all who took the time to complete the Ofsted parent survey on-line or spoke with the inspector direct.

We have had a new virtual tour of our school filmed – this can be viewed on our Facebook or Instagram pages. Please share this with any potential new families who may be looking for a new school.



Last half term the children from Narnia Class experienced what it was like to be an evacuee during WW2.

A big thank you to all who helped put their costumes together – I'm sure you will agree, they were amazing!



Reminder

Can I please remind you that you **must not** park or stop on the yellow zigzag markings outside the front of school. This includes if you are 'running late', only 'dropping off' or the 'weather is bad'. This is for the safety of **all** of our children.

We have also been requested not to park in the adjacent pub (The Wellington) car park. Thank you for your co-operation.

The second half of the spring term is a very short 5 weeks but with lots going on in school!

I would like to welcome the new children and their families that have joined us.

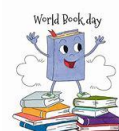


The Carlisle United Community Sport Trust coaches will continue to deliver P.E. sessions in school on a Tuesday and a Friday (Please make sure that your child has their full P.E. kit in school on these days. Long hair should be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered by plasters.)

Magical Mel is continuing to deliver the Relax Kids programme to all our children.

Music lessons will continue with Miss Sutton - Boom whackers in 100 Acre Wood class 1 and Ukulele tuition in Narnia and Kensuke's Kingdom classes.

World Book Day – We raised £21 towards new books for our School library. Thank you.





Comic Relief on Friday 17th March 2023

The School Council are organising a fundraising activity - more details to follow.

Parents Meetings on Thursday 23rd March 2023

Parents Meetings are an important opportunity to discuss and celebrate your child's successes; set learning targets and discuss any worries or concerns, with your child's class teacher. Meetings will be in person. Please complete and return the slip at the end of this newsletter to indicate your preferred time slot. (Appointments are allocated on a first return basis).

Year 3/4 5A-Side Football competition on Monday 27th March 2023

All of the children in Narnia class will be taking part in this on Monday 27th March 2023 at Harraby Sports Hall.

We travel there by mini – bus, driven by myself. We will need to leave school at 8:55 a.m. therefore I would like the **children to arrive at school at 8:45 a.m., already dressed in their P.E. kit** (including warm joggers and sweatshirt), together with sports trainers and a water bottle. They can keep their P.E. kit on for the remainder of the school day.

We will return to school in time for a late lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Chocolate Bingo and Non Uniform Day on Thursday 30th March 2023

The ever popular Chocolate Bingo event will take place 3:30 p.m. in the school hall.

We will play three games of Bingo. Each strip of tickets will contain six cards. The cost of a book containing three strips is £3 and the prizes will be Easter Eggs/Chocolate!

Thursday 30th March 2023 will be a non-uniform day and the "payment" for not wearing school uniform will be an Easter egg/Chocolate donation for the Chocolate Bingo event.

Please complete and return the slip at the end of this newsletter, together with any monies, to Mrs Wright before 26th March 2022. Egg/Chocolate donations can be sent into the school office anytime between now and 30th March 2023.



Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club is open every school day Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 8.45am and is led by Mrs Armstrong.

Children will receive a 'healthy' breakfast consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, yogurt etc.

The cost of the breakfast club is £1.50 per day, per child.

We ask that you book 'Breakfast Club' sessions, 1 week in advance, to allow the staff to prepare the Breakfast provision.

The Breakfast Club is accessed via the side entrance, opposite the playground.

If your child requires a space at breakfast club, please can you contact Mrs Wright by email at head@greatorton.cumbria.sch.uk or tel 01228 711602.

Afterschool Sports Club

This term the after school sports club will take place on a Tuesday evening from

3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. This club is open to all children and there is no charge for these sessions. If you would like to book a place for your child, please can you contact Mrs Wright by email at head@greatorton.cumbria.sch.uk or tel 01228 711602.



We also offer after school provision on a Wednesday and Thursday night during term time. These sessions will run from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. The cost per session is £5 per child. Children will be able to relax, after school, in a safe environment, accessing craft and sporting activities. They will also receive a healthy snack. We ask that you book 'After School Provision', 1 week in advance. If your child requires a space at After School Provision please can you contact Mrs Wright by email at head@greatorton.cumbria.sch.uk or tel. 01228 711602.

Kind Regards
M Walker
Mr M Walker
Headteacher

School Term Dates for the Diary

Spring Term 2023

- Friday 17th March 2023 – Comic Relief
- Thursday 23rd March 2023 Parents Evening
- Monday 27th March 2023 – Narnia class 5-Aside Football competition
- Thursday 30th March 2023 – Non – Uniform Day (for donation of chocolate egg)
- Thursday 30th March 2023 – Chocolate Bingo 3:30 p.m. in the school hall
- Friday 31st March 2023 – School closes at 1:00 pm for the End of school Term.
- Monday 17th April 2023 – School re-opens at 8:45 a.m. for Summer Term (Breakfast club available from 8:00 a.m.)

Parents Evening – Thursday 23rd March 2023

Name of Child/Children

Class

I wish to see my Child's Class Teacher between the following times:

- 3:40 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Chocolate Bingo – Thursday 30th March 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in School

Name of Child/Children _____

No of books required _____

Amount enclosed £ _____

