

# Ormskirk Church of England Primary School

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But your compassion, Lord, is great; show your mercy and save me! Psalms 119:156

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Our worship theme this half term is Compassion

3rd May 2024

## Friday 10th May

9:00am 2R class worship  
Parents welcome to attend.

## Thursday 23rd May

Reception trip to Blackpool Zoo

## Friday 24th May

Inset Day - School closed

## Wednesday 5th June

6:30pm Full Governors' meeting

## Friday 7th June

1:00pm School Sports Day  
3:30pm PFA Summer Fayre

## Tuesday 11th June

Reception Vision Screening

## Thursday 13th June

Year 3 trip to Martin Mere  
(delayed spring term trip)

## Monday 24th-Wednesday 26th June

Year 6 residential to London

## Thursday 4th July

Year 2 trip to Brockholes  
Year 3 trip to Chester

## Tuesday 9th-Thursday 11th July

Year 5 residential to York

## Tuesday 16th July

7pm Year 6 production



This includes any snacks

you may give your child for lunches on school trips. We do have children with severe nut allergies in school.



Year 1 learning about baptism on their trip to Ormskirk Parish Church.

On **Sunday May 12th** the Bishop of Liverpool, the Rt. Revd. John Perumbalath is visiting Ormskirk Parish Church to lead a service and the Revd. Haynes would be delighted if families could join them. The service starts at 10:30am with refreshments afterwards.

**PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE CLOSED FOR THE BANK HOLIDAY ON MONDAY 6th MAY**

On Tuesday we are having interviews for a teaching position so if you have messages for Mr Storch or Mr Boyd, please save them until Wednesday.

Please help your child to get enough sleep, our upper juniors in particular. Keeping mobile phones out of bedrooms at night can make a big, positive difference.



Congratulations to our award winners this week.

**Well Done** Isabella, Theo, Louisa, Parker, Isla, William, Evie, Henry, Luke, Fen, Jolie, Holly, Ton Ton and Jade.



Summer is here! Remember to put suncream on your child as warmer days take hold. It was great to see the children on the school field on Thursday lunchtime. The children enjoyed football, throwing sticks for Pebbles, exploring trees and bushes and looking for snakes!! Also some children built homes for insects whilst they sunbathed.

Please make sure **all** children have a water bottle in school so they have access to a drink when they are hot and thirsty from playing outside.

## TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

Prizes to be won!!

Thursday 23rd May



Ham/cheese sandwiches

Veg sticks

Sausage roll

Cake

Drink

Bring your favourite teddy bear



PIC-COLLAGE

## Teddy Bears' Picnic Lunch - Thursday 23rd May

If you would like your child to have a school dinner on this day, book any option on the School Gateway for the picnic lunch.

Ignore the choices for that day when booking.

Hopefully the weather will be good and children can have their picnic outside.



Ormskirk CE Primary School  
Uniform Policy 2024

This uniform policy sets out what we expect of our children. We take pride in our school and a smart uniform communicates this, along with providing a sense of belonging and identity.

### **School Uniform**

- Gold polo shirt with school badge
- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school badge
- Grey school trousers (not leggings), grey shorts, grey pleated skirt or grey pinafore
- Grey socks or grey tights
- Black shoes (must be plain, practical and sturdy – trainers are not permitted)
- In Summer: blue and white gingham dress with white socks
- In Winter: plain, black ankle boots

### **P.E.**

- Gold P.E. t-shirt
- Royal blue shorts or skirt (not navy)
- Pumps or trainers
- Children may bring a blue, grey or black tracksuit in Winter (optional)

### **Swimming**

- Swimming costume (not bikini) or trunks (not Bermuda shorts)
- Swimming cap - available from the School Office

### **Jewellery and Hair**

Children may wear a single pair of simple stud earrings and a watch. No other jewellery is permitted, except in the instance of wearing specific religious artefacts or head coverings required by individual religions.

Earrings must not be worn on swimming or P.E. days or they should be covered with plasters. Children should be provided with their own plasters from home.

Nail varnish, make up and false nails are not allowed.

Hair must be tied back for P.E. days. Hair accessories must be in school colours (gold or royal blue).

*School uniform with the school badge can be purchased from Premier Sports in Ormskirk town centre.*

*We have an extensive collection of high quality uniform and footwear available from Shop Smart at the Pupil Office. Contributions are at your discretion and will go towards new books for the school library. Please email [uniform@ormskirk-ce.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:uniform@ormskirk-ce.lancs.sch.uk) with any specific requests.*

*Where a pupil is unable to comply with the uniform policy due to financial hardship, school will support the family in procuring the correct uniform from Shop Smart. If you require support in this matter, please speak directly to Mr Storch or Mr Boyd.*

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP**

13+

WHATSAPP: With more than 1 billion active users exchanging text, photos, videos and documents, it's not surprising it's making waves in schools. WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. In our school, we encourage children to use WhatsApp for communication with their parents and carers. However, it is important to be aware of the risks associated with using WhatsApp and other messaging apps. We have created this infographic to help you understand the risks and how to protect your child's privacy and safety.

**ENVOYING SCAMS**  
WhatsApp is a popular messaging app, but it is not secure. Scammers can use WhatsApp to send you fake messages, photos, and videos. They can also use WhatsApp to contact you and try to get your personal information.

**ONLINE**  
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**CHAT LOCK**  
WhatsApp has a feature called 'chat lock' which allows you to lock your chats with a PIN. This can help to protect your privacy, but it is important to be aware of the risks of using chat lock. Scammers can use chat lock to lock you out of your account and then use your account to contact your contacts.

**VISIBLE LOCATION**  
WhatsApp has a feature called 'share my location' which allows you to share your location with your contacts. This can be useful for sharing your location with your family, but it is important to be aware of the risks of sharing your location. Scammers can use this feature to track your location and use it to contact you.

**ADVICE FOR PARENTS & CARERS ...TYPING...**

**EMPHASISE CAUTION**  
Encourage your child to think carefully before sending any messages. They should not send any messages to anyone they do not know, and they should not send any messages to anyone who asks them to do anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.

**THINKING BEFORE SHARING**  
Think twice before sharing any photos or videos. Once you have shared something online, it can be difficult to take it back. Encourage your child to think carefully before sharing anything online.

**CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY**  
Encourage your child to check the privacy settings on their WhatsApp account. They should only share their location with people they know and trust, and they should not share their contact information with anyone they do not know.

**Meet Our Expert**  
The Online Safety Centre is the national centre for online safety. They provide advice and support for parents and carers on how to protect their children from online risks.

Clubs running week beginning Monday 6th May				
6th May	7th May	8th May	9th May	10th May
		Year 6 Netball Lunchtime		Years 3-6 Cross Country Lunchtime
	Busy Bees Club Library Club Lunchtime	Busy Bees Club Library Club Lunchtime	Busy Bees Club Library Club Lunchtime	Busy Bees Club Library Club Lunchtime
	<b>NO DANCE CLUB THIS WEEK</b>	Years 2-3 Dodgeball Years 4 Tag Rugby 3:30 - 4:30	Year 4 Netball Years 1-6 Girls' Football 3:30 - 4:30	Years 4-6 Dodgeball Year 5 Netball 3:30 - 4:30 (pick up from green gates)

Parents, please be aware of issues that can arise from the use of WhatsApp. Children under the age of 13 should not have access to this and other apps on their devices.

Booking information for after school football after half term or dodgeball

There is a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Information and a nomination form has been emailed to all parents. If anyone is interested, the closing date for applications is Thursday 16th May.



New Term Courses  
Ormskirk Primary School

Dear parents / guardians,

For the final term of the academic year, Active Sport are again running after-school football sessions on Mondays and Thursdays (Girls Football) with Coach Fizaan. To book your place, please visit [www.active-sport.co.uk](http://www.active-sport.co.uk) and click 'Find your nearest session' and click the 'West Lancashire' option.

**Session Information:**

Dates: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 15<sup>th</sup> July (7 Weeks) / Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June – 18<sup>th</sup> July (7 Weeks)

Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm

Price: £5.50 per session + £1 Booking fee (Full Block payment only)

Extra Information: Please bring football/sports kit, appropriate for the weather, trainers or football boots, and a drink.

For any further enquiries, Contact Active Sport Sefton - [hugh@activesportsgroup.co.uk](mailto:hugh@activesportsgroup.co.uk)

**BULLSEYE BALLERS!**  
DODGEBALL - DISCO - DARTS

A BRAND NEW club, with a mix of... with the stars, dodgeball and a final week of 'happy disco, darts and a talent show'

<p><b>YEARS 2 AND 3</b> EVERY WEDNESDAY @ ORMSKIRK C of PRIMARY SCHOOL 3:30 - 4:30pm MAY: 5th, 15th, 22nd JUNE: 5th, 26th JULY: 3rd, 10th</p> <p>7 WEEKS OF FUN FOR £35</p>	<p><b>YEARS 4, 5 AND 6</b> EVERY FRIDAY @ ORMSKIRK C of E. PRIMARY SCHOOL 3:30 - 4:30pm MAY: 3rd, 10th JUNE: 28th JULY: 5th, 12th, 19th</p> <p>6 WEEKS OF FUN FOR £20</p>
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PLEASE TAKE CAREFUL NOTE OF THE DATES, AS THERE ARE SOME WEEKS THAT THE CLUB WON'T BE ON, DUE TO OTHER COMMITMENTS

INFORMATION: BULLSEYE BALLERS IS AFTER SCHOOL, and played INDOORS. PE kit or other sports wear with pumps or trainers will be suitable. Please bring your own kit. To book on the course please TEXT to Danny and Rachel on 07554622892 with the following details: Child's name, contact number, medical conditions and homework arrangements attending school's after school club / collected after the course / allowed home alone. We will send a text to confirm your child's place. Please pay £35 via bank transfer, using the following details: ACCOUNT: DANNY CLARSON'S FOOTBALL ACADEMY LTD SORT CODE: 12-24-82 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 06435555 Please use 'ORMSKIRK CHILD'S NAME' as the reference e.g ORMSKIRK DANNY



A huge well done to everyone who took part in the Ormskirk and District Cross Country competition on Wednesday night. All of our runners represented the school brilliantly, showing lots of effort, perseverance and determination!

The distance was approximately one kilometre for the younger



age group. The Year 3/4 girls' team are particularly proud of being medal winners.