



Garton on the Wolds Church of England (V.C.) Primary School

Newsletter

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WELCOME BACK!

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer break and is feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead! It's been lovely to see all the children settling back into school life so smoothly — the classrooms and corridors are once again full of energy, enthusiasm, and lots of smiling faces.

Just a reminder: our school newsletters will continue to be sent home every other Friday via text message. You can also find the latest edition on the school website, or if preferred, request a hard copy from the school office. Here's to a great year ahead!



EXCITING SUMMER TRANSFORMATIONS

Over the summer holidays, our school has undergone a series of exciting and extensive improvements to create a safer, more welcoming and modern environment for our pupils, staff, parents, and visitors.

One of the most significant changes is the relocation of the school office to the opposite side of the building, alongside the creation of a brand-new main entrance for parents and visitors. This not only improves accessibility but also enhances the overall safety of our site.

The school now benefits from a new high-tech security system. This includes an advanced sign-in system and fob access throughout the building, ensuring a secure environment for everyone.

The former office area has been transformed into our new school library—a calm, inviting space designed to inspire a love of reading. It has been redecorated, newly carpeted, and thoughtfully



arranged to provide a relaxing experience for our pupils.

We're also proud to introduce a dedicated ELSA room. This new space has been fully decorated and carpeted, and includes an interactive TV and mood lighting, providing a calm and supportive setting for children who may need emotional support.

In every classroom, brand-new large interactive TVs have been installed, helping to enhance engagement and the quality of teaching. The school has also invested in 32 new Chromebooks for the children to support digital learning across the curriculum.

To support this leap in technology, we now have a much faster broadband connection, ensuring quicker, more reliable internet access for both staff and pupils—further enhancing teaching and learning across the school.

Additionally, vibrant and educational wall art has been installed within the new office entrance and corridor, creating a brighter, more inspiring environment that reflects our school's curriculum and family ethos.

We are incredibly proud of all that has been achieved over the summer and are confident these improvements will have a lasting positive impact. A huge thank you goes to everyone involved in making sure all of this was ready in time for the start of the new term.

INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS

The individual and family photographs will take place on **Tuesday 16th September**. If you have younger siblings that you would like photographed individually or as part of a family, please arrive at school for 8:55 a.m. Please note, parents are not obliged to purchase the school photographs.



2025/26 CLASS ORGANISATION

	Teaching Staff	Support Staff
Class 4	Mrs Wood/ Mrs Plowman	Miss Lancaster Mrs Bacon Miss Scott Mrs Boyes
Class 3	Mr Harrison	Miss Scott Mrs Hargreaves Mrs Blades Mrs Mears
Class 2	Mrs Heaton	Mrs Spencer Mrs Lunn Mrs Boyes Mrs Blades
Class 1	Mrs Clark/ Mr Phillips	Mrs Spencer Mrs Richardson Mrs Blades Mrs Tuckey
Maple Room	Miss Robson	Miss Websdale Mrs Tuckey Miss Curtis

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We will be hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on **Friday 26th September** from 9:15 a.m. in the school hall. All Parents, family and friends are all invited to attend. We look forward to seeing you there. Donations of buns, cakes, biscuits, home-made or bought, would be very much appreciated and will help to raise funds for this very worthwhile cause.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival will take place on **Monday 20th October 9:15 a.m.** in the church.



Harvest Gifts of non-perishable food, toiletries, confectionary, would

be most gratefully received and may be brought into school on the day of the festival.

The produce we receive this year will be donated to the Local Food Bank in Driffeld, who work extremely hard to support local vulnerable families. At present their stocks are low and they are struggling to keep up with demand, therefore any donations you are able to provide will be much appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you all at the service.

Free Defibrillator Training – Book Your Place Now!

The Friends of School are pleased to announce a free Defibrillator (Defib) Training Session, delivered by Fab Training.



This hands-on, friendly and practical course will teach you simple, life-saving steps, including:

- Recognising the signs of a cardiac arrest
- Responding quickly – calling 999 and starting CPR
- Using a defibrillator with confidence

Whether you're a complete beginner or just need a refresher, this session is a fantastic opportunity to gain vital skills that could one day save a life.

Date & Time: Thursday 13th November, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Location: Garton School Hall

Limited to 30 places – first come, first served!

Cost: Free (Donations gratefully received)
If you'd like to take part, please **reserve your place via the ParentPay App.**

Introducing ClassDojo for Parent/Carer Communication

We are excited to announce that our school will be using **ClassDojo** as a new way to communicate with parents and carers. ClassDojo will allow us to share important updates, celebrate the children's achievements, and strengthen the home-school connection.

A letter with more information has been sent via text message to all parents/carers, along with a link to an online consent form.

You can also access the consent form directly here:

<https://forms.gle/fvnwkStEoeQuf58y6>

We look forward to working together to support our pupils through this new platform!

PARENT/TODDLER GROUP

Our Parent/toddler group continues to take place each Monday morning from 9:45 – 11:15 a.m. The Parent/toddler group is open to parents with children aged 0-4 years.



Please note that there is no charge for attendance at the group.

All members of the local community are more than welcome to attend, please do spread the word. Thank you.

FLU VACCINATION – Monday 13th October

Vaccination UK are attending our school for the flu vaccinations on Monday 13th October.



If you would like your child to receive their Nasal flu vaccination in school, please complete a **YES**

online consent form ASAP.

If for any reason your child **cannot** have the Nasal spray vaccine, the injectable flu vaccine is available, and you will be able to choose that method on the consent form.

If you **DO NOT** wish your child to receive a flu vaccination, please complete a **NO** consent via the same link.

You can access the form via this link [Vaccination UK Immunisation](https://www.schoolvaccination.uk) you can also complete a consent form via the website: www.schoolvaccination.uk

CHOIR

Our Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 choir will continue to take place each Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m. in Mrs Heaton's classroom.



The choir is a fantastic way to build up confidence and to be part of a team. No auditions will be held, all the children need is an enthusiasm to sing! Everyone is welcome.

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We would like to remind parents that if you are working and eligible, you can use the **Government Childcare Voucher Scheme** to pay for our



Before and After School Clubs.

This scheme is designed to help working families by subsidising the cost of childcare, making it more affordable.

If you would like to use childcare vouchers or find out more about how the scheme works, please contact the school office for further details.

Thank you for your continued support.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you think you may be eligible for benefits related Free School Meals, you can apply for these via East Riding of Yorkshire Council at the following link:

<https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-meals/free-school-meals/>

If you apply and are found to be eligible, please ensure you inform the school office. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL – FACEBOOK PAGE

Our Friends of Garton School have recently launched a new Facebook page to help keep parents informed about upcoming events and activities.

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This is a closed group, meaning only approved members can view posts, and no personal information will be shared.

We'd love for you to join us! Simply search "Friends of Garton School" on Facebook and request to join the group.

Stay in the loop and be part of our school community online!

LUNCH MENUS



The school lunch menu is available on the school's website under the Information>Lunch menus tab.

INDOOR SHOES

Please ensure your child has a pair of indoor shoes with them each day at school. Thank you.



FAMILY AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Family Awards Assembly continues to take place on Friday **morning** at 9:15 a.m. in the hall. We look forward to welcoming you, as we celebrate the children's work and efforts



SCHOOL UNIFORM

If you require any school uniform items, these can be purchased from H & K Embroidery in Drifffield.



Please see links below to the Pre-school and the main school uniform.

[Garton On The Wolds School – H & K Embroidery \(handkembroidery.co.uk\)](https://www.handkembroidery.co.uk/)

[Garton Pre-School – H & K Embroidery \(handkembroidery.co.uk\)](https://www.handkembroidery.co.uk/)

MUSICAL THEATRE CLUB

This term, Mrs Rooke will continue to run the Musical Theatre After School Club.

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THEATRE

The Club takes places on a Thursday from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. and is open to children in FS2 to Year 6. Please inform the school office or Mrs Rooke directly if you wish your child to attend the club.

MULTI SPORTS CLUB

This half term Mr Woods has organised a Multi-Sports club on a Tuesday after school from 3:30 – 4:30 pm.



The club is available to **all pupils** at a cost of £3 per session. Charges will be made via the Parent Pay application.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We would like to wish you all a warm welcome back from the Breakfast and After School Club.

The Breakfast Club provision will continue to provide a healthy selection of breakfasts from 7:45 a.m.



We try to cater for all likes and dislikes and also encourage the children to try new foods. Breakfast is a 'hotel' style buffet where the children choose with guidance to encourage independence. Please ensure you have completed an Allergen form for your child and returned it to the school office.

We also provide a range of games and activities for the club but like to encourage a gentle, caring start to the school day. The older children provide 'buddy' support in a family type atmosphere in keeping with the school's philosophy with an emphasis on good manners. We look forward to welcoming any new breakfast clubbers.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



The After School Clubs will continue to run from 3.30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. each

day. The themes this half term are:-

Monday	Cookery Club
Tuesday	Indoor/Outdoor Games
Wednesday	Craft Club
Thursday	Needlecraft Club
Friday	Model Making Club

WHAT'S HAPPENING **W/C 15th September 2025**

Mon 15 th	Parent/toddler group School - Non-Cook Cookery Club
Tues 16 th	Individual/Family photographs After School Club – Outdoor/Indoor Games Mr Wood After School Multi-Sports Club
Wed 17 th	After School Craft Club
Thur 18 th	After School Needlecraft Club After School Musical Theatre Club
Fri 19 th	Family Awards Assembly – 9:15 in the hall. After School Model Making Club

WHAT'S HAPPENING **W/C 22nd September 2025**

Mon 22 nd	After School Non-Cook Cookery Club
Tues 23 th	After School Club – Outdoor/Indoor Games Mr Wood After School Multi-Sports Club.
Wed 24 th	After School Craft Club
Thur 25 th	After School Needlecraft Club After School Musical Theatre Club Year 6 Transition Evening at Driffild Secondary School.
Fri 26 th	MacMillan Coffee Morning. No Family Awards Assembly After School Model Making Club.

ATTENDANCE DATA

Government Target 96%

Garton School's current attendance for the 25/26 academic year

97.5%

Great start, let's keep it up!



Before & After School Club Information

If your child requires breakfast, they **MUST** arrive at the club by 8.20 a.m.

A child staying beyond 4.30 p.m. in after school club will be given a light snack; allergen information is available if required.

Price List

Before School Club		After School Club	
7.45 a.m. – 8.55 a.m	£5.00 Including Breakfast	3.30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	£2.00
8.00 a.m.- 8.55 a.m.	£3.00 Including Breakfast	3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.	£3.00
8.30 a.m. – 8.55 a.m.	£2.00	3.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.	£5.00 Including a snack



Before & After School Club - Autumn Term Booking Form

Child/ren's Name _____

Week 3	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Week 4	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Week 5	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Week 6	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Week 7	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Week 8	Before School Club			After School Club		
	7.45am –8.55am	8.00am -8.55 am	8.30am – 8.55 am	3.30pm – 4.00 pm	3.30pm – 4.30 pm	3.30pm-5.00 pm
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday				No After School Club		