



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

Newsletter

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MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning today; whether by baking, buying, donating, or simply joining us for a cuppa and a chat.

We are delighted to share that, thanks to your incredible generosity, the school raised **£182.50** for this very worthwhile cause. Every penny will go towards helping Macmillan Cancer Support continue their vital work with those affected by cancer. Your support truly makes a difference. Thank you!



INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS

You should now have received the proof of your child's individual and/or family photograph. The proof includes full details on how to order and purchase the photographs directly.



Please note, there is no obligation to purchase the school photographs. However, we'd like to mention that the school receives a small commission from all sales, which helps support school activities and resources.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

OPEN EVENING

We have arranged an Open Evening which will take place on Monday 7th October from 3:45p.m. – 5:15p.m. for prospective parents of September 2026 school starters. This invitation is also open to all of our parents if you would like the opportunity to come and have a look around the classrooms and meet the staff - everyone is more than welcome to attend. Please do spread the word, thank you.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

We are delighted to invite you to our Harvest Festival, which will take place on Monday 20th October at 9:15 a.m. in the church. This is always a special event in our school calendar, and we look forward to celebrating together.



As part of the celebration, we would be most grateful for Harvest Gifts of non-perishable food, toiletries, and confectionery, which may be brought into school on the morning of the festival.

This year, all donations will be given to the Local Food Bank in Driffeld, who are currently experiencing particularly high demand and low stock levels. Your generous contributions will go a long way in supporting vulnerable families in our community.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

We hope to see many of you at the service!

SCHOOL CHOIR TO PERFORM IN CHURCH

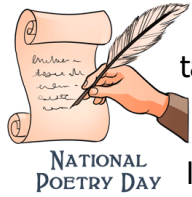
We are delighted to share that our school choir has been invited to perform at the village Harvest Festival service on **Thursday 2nd October**, which is taking place at the church. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to share their talents and be part of a special community tradition.



Mrs Heaton has sent home a letter with further details for the children involved. We are honoured to have been asked to take part and look forward to performing for the local community.

NATIONAL POETRY DAY **Thursday 2nd October**

We will be celebrating National Poetry Day on Thursday 2nd October. Throughout the day, children will take part in a range of fun and creative activities designed to inspire a love of poetry and language.



We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful work the children create as they celebrate the power of words!

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On Friday 10th October, we will be marking World Mental Health Day with a range of engaging and age-appropriate activities designed to help children explore the importance of mental health and well-being. Throughout the day, pupils will take part in fun and thoughtful sessions aimed at raising awareness of mental health and learning practical ways to support themselves and their friends. To show our support and help spread the message of positivity and kindness, we invite all children to come to school dressed in **yellow**, if possible. Yellow is the colour associated with mental health awareness and helps to remind us all to look out for one another.



REMINDER – SCHOOL CLOSED

The school will be closed to all pupils on Friday 24th October, due to a designated staff training day.



HALLOWEEN DISCO

The Friends of School have organised a fancy dress Halloween Disco to take place on Tuesday 21st October from 5:15 until 6:30 p.m. Tickets are priced at £3.00 each and will include a hot dog and a drink. During the evening, the children will also have the opportunity to win prizes at various fun games. Prizes for the best dressed child from each class will be presented. Donations of prizes (sweets, stationery etc) would be much appreciated.



Tickets will be available from Monday 29th September via the Parentpay App. Once a ticket has been purchased a hard copy of the ticket will be sent home from the school office. Thank you for your support.

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.**

CLASSDOJO **for Parent/Carer Communication**

As you are aware we are now 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](#)

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.

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



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 29th September 2025

Mon 29 th	Parent/Toddler group After School Non-Cook Cookery Club
Tues 30 th	After School Club – Outdoor/Indoor Games Mr Wood After School Multi-Sports Club.
Wed 1 st	After School Craft Club
Thur 2 nd	National Poetry Day After School Needlecraft Club After School Musical Theatre Club 6:30 - School Choir to perform at the church
Fri 3 rd	Family Awards Assembly After School Model Making Club.

WHAT'S HAPPENING W/C 6th October 2025

Mon 6 th	Parent/toddler group School - Non-Cook Cookery Club Open Evening – New Starters 2026
Tues 7 th	After School Club – Outdoor/Indoor Games Mr Wood After School Multi-Sports Club
Wed 8 th	After School Craft Club
Thur 9 th	After School Needlecraft Club After School Musical Theatre Club
Fri 10 th	World Mental Health Day – wear yellow Family Awards Assembly – 9:15 in the hall. After School Model Making Club

ATTENDANCE DATA

Government Target 96%

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

97.1%

Let's keep it up!

TERM DATES 2025/2026

Please find a link to the term dates for the 2025/2026 academic year.

[https://www.gartonprimary.co.uk/documents/%5B1022135%5DTerm Dates - 2025-26.pdf](https://www.gartonprimary.co.uk/documents/%5B1022135%5DTerm%20Dates%20-%202025-26.pdf)

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		