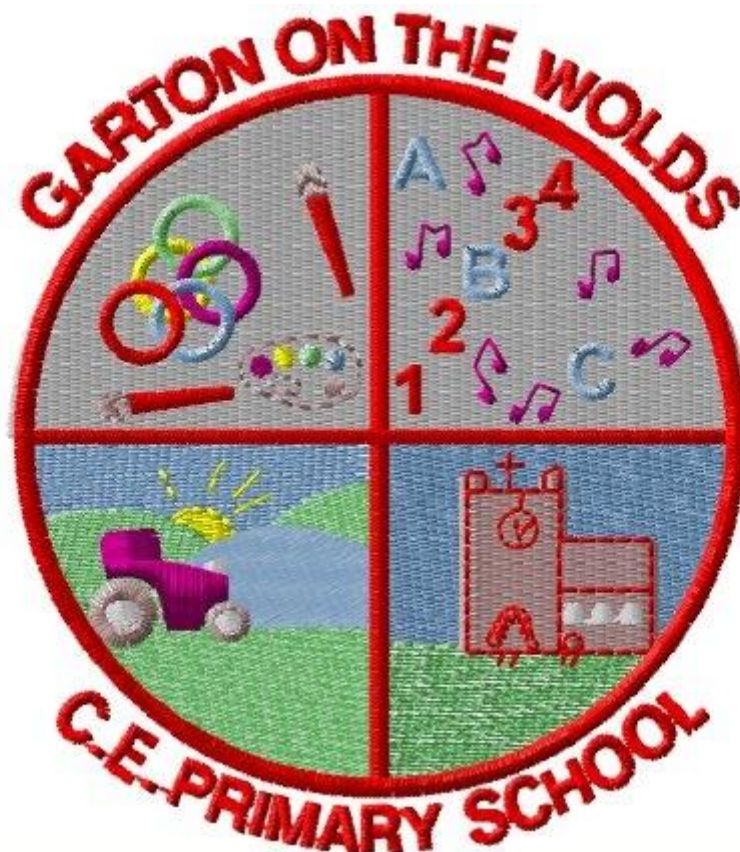


Garton on the Wolds C.E. (V.C.) Primary School

Foundation Stage Prospectus



Our School Mission

Our school nurtures the very best in each individual, providing a high standard of teaching and learning. Our Christian values encourage care for all, mutual respect, responsibility and strong partnerships between school, home and church.

The Foundation Stage Staff

Foundation Stage Manager and Assistant Headteacher

Miss H Fox

Higher-Level Teaching Assistant

Mrs J Spencer

Nursery Nurse

Mrs V Richardson

Teaching Assistants

Mrs H Morrison

Foundation Stage Governor

Mrs V Megginson

Executive Headteacher

Mr J Baxter

We look forward to welcoming you to Garton School and
getting to know you and your child.

School Times

School starts at 8:55 a.m.



The Foundation Stage doors will open from 8:55 a.m. If you arrive with your child early, please wait on the decking area until the bell has been rung.

The morning session for our Foundation Stage 1 (FS1) will conclude at 12 noon. The afternoon session can commence from 12:00 noon or 1:00 p.m.

School ends at 3:20 p.m. for our Foundation Stage pupils. Please collect your (FS1 & FS2) child outside the main door to the Foundation Stage Unit. If someone else is picking up your child, or you are delayed, please let us know by contacting the school office or speaking to a member of the Foundation Stage team.

We want your child to feel safe and secure.

First Weeks

We want your child to settle quickly and happily at Garton on the Wolds CE (VC) Primary School. We have an open-door policy and staff are available at the beginning and end of each school day to speak to.



The first few weeks will be spent helping your child to get to know the staff and other children along with learning the new school routines.

We have a strong Christian ethos and children will learn about our 7 Christian values. These are: Friendship, Thankfulness, Hope, Respect, Forgiveness, Perseverance and Tolerance



St Michael and All Angel's Church

Garton on the Wolds

Foundation Stage 1:

Children are granted their free fifteen-hour entitlement the term after their third birthday, however, children can attend Foundation Stage 1 from the day they turn three at a fee of £12.50 per session until the free sessions commence. You may also be entitled to claim the 30-hours free childcare if



- you live in England
- your child is 3 to 4 years old

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-30-hours-free-childcare>

We try to be as flexible as possible; hours can be taken either as morning or afternoon session or a full day.

Children are welcome in our Foundation Stage 1 setting regardless of whether they attend Garton on the Wolds Primary School in the future.

School Uniform

Foundation Stage 1 children

The school clothes are as follows (non-statutory):

- **Red** sweatshirts and cardigans - with or without the school logo;
- Grey/black trousers, skirts or pinafores
- White or red polo shirts - with or without the school logo

In addition to the above; during the summer months children are permitted to wear red and white gingham dresses or grey/black shorts.

Foundation Stage 2 children

The school clothes are as follows (Statutory):

- **Navy** blue sweatshirts and cardigans - with or without the school logo
- Grey/black trousers, skirts of pinafores
- White or blue polo shirts - with or without the school logo

In addition to the above; during the summer months, children are permitted to wear blue and white gingham dresses or grey/black shorts.

Children require a sports kit for physical education. The school colours are as follows:

- Navy or black shorts
- Plain white t-shirt
- Navy or black jogging bottoms
- Trainers

Please make sure that all items of clothing are named.

School uniform is available to purchase from H&K Embroidery, Drifffield. Web Site - <https://handk-2.myshopify.com/>

Plimsolls

The children wear plimsolls when inside school. Please write your child's name clearly inside each plimsoll.

Jewellery

Jewellery and other valuable items should be kept at home; we ask you to ensure that your child does not come to school wearing jewellery. NO jewellery is allowed to be worn during PE lessons, including stud ear-rings.

Dietary requirements/allergies

We ask that you inform us of immediately of any allergies your child may have to anything we might give them in school. Health care plans are written when necessary.

Medicines

If your child needs to take medicines whilst at school, you must complete a permission slip available from the school office.

Asthma

If your child suffers from asthma, you must ensure that you complete the school's asthma form. If your child needs to use an inhaler regularly, a spare inhaler should be left at school.

Absence

We do monitor attendance closely and ask that you inform us on the first day of any absence. Please contact the school office on tel: 01377 253110, or email the school garton@eastriding.gov.uk.

We must have a reason for all absences so they can be authorised by school.

Emergency contacts/telephone numbers.

It is really important that these are kept up to date so that we are able to contact you in an emergency; please let us know of any changes immediately.

Dinner money

School dinners are £12.50 a week (£2.50 a day for Foundation Stage 1 children) Foundation Stage 2 pupils are entitled to free school meals as part of a government initiative.

Packed lunches

We promote healthy eating in school. Please do not send sweets, fizzy drinks or more than one chocolate item. Please label the lunchbox with your child's name.

Fruit and Milk

The children are given a piece of fruit or vegetable as a snack each day along with a glass of milk.

Water

The children have access to water throughout the school day. Water bottles are available to purchase through the school office for £2.00.

Breakfast Club (FS1 and FS2 children can attend)

Our popular Breakfast club runs from 7:45 a.m. costing £5.00 with breakfast. From 8:00 a.m. the cost is £3.00 with breakfast. Alternatively, you can arrive at 8:30 a.m. and costs £1.50 with no breakfast.



After School Club (FS1 and FS2 children can attend)

A variety of clubs run each night. Costings are as follows:

3:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. - £2.00

3:30pm until 4:30 p.m. - £3.00

3:30pm until 5:00 p.m. - £4.50 including a snack



Early Learning

In the first years at school much learning is done through play.

Do not be fooled by the word "play"

Play is a child's work!



Play teaches children about themselves and others.

- It develops their imagination and creativity.
- It develops their skills of mind and body.
- It develops their ability to concentrate and persevere.

It is through these early learning experiences that the child, under the guidance of an adult, builds up an understanding, which is the basis for reading, writing and mathematical skills, whilst developing a positive attitude to learning.

Foundation Stage Day

Your child will work in both small groups and as a part of the whole class. At other times of the day, FS1 and FS2 children join together for free-flow sessions where your child will be able to choose which activities to do; whether to work inside or in the outside areas. We ensure that indoors and outdoors provide and encourage a positive attitude to learning, these sessions are carefully planned to promote learning through play.

Celebration Worship

Parents are invited and are most welcome to attend our Celebration Worship every Friday afternoon at 2:45 p.m. in the Church. This Celebration Worship will be based on the week's activities within school and celebrating class and individual achievements.



Reading

In school, the children read in lots of ways; as part of both small groups and individually. As well as books from the reading scheme, they will read lots of others words, sentences and stories during the school day. Parents are invited into the Foundation Stage unit on a Wednesday afternoon at 2:45 p.m. to share a book and then loan a book for the week.

Phonics

Phonics is a vital skill that your child needs to be able to learn to read and write. We teach phonics every day and phonic homework is also sent home. We encourage parents to help their child develop their phonic skills through a range of activities and games. As a school we follow the Read Write Inc phonics scheme.

Working with your child at home

When they are ready, your child will start to bring home a book from the reading scheme. It will help enormously if you listen to your child read for a few minutes every day. Please make this an activity which you both enjoy, by choosing a time when you are not in a rush, by choosing a comfortable chair together and offering lots of encouragement. Children need repetition to help them learn and reading the same books several times will help to build confidence. Please discuss the book with your child and allow them to look at the pictures to help them read unknown words.

Please sign and comment in your child's reading diary. Always try to think of something good to say.

Teaching your child to write

Most children like to play "writing" at home. Colouring and mark making will help your child to learn to hold a pencil correctly. Encourage the correct pencil grip and allow your child to write with whichever hand they find the easiest.



Seesaw

In school, we use an app called Seesaw. This allows home/school communication and allows the school to share with you photographs and videos of your child at school. Useful links will also be posted on the Seesaw app.

Early Years Foundation Stage is based on four themes

- Unique child
- Positive relationships
- Enabling Environments
- Learning and developing

The prime areas:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical development
- Communication and Language

The specific areas

- Literacy
- Maths
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Come and visit us

We want your child to get the most out of their time in our setting. We know that every child in our setting will reach their full potential and be happy and safe in our school environment. We want to work with you, ensuring your child has the best education possible.

We may seem busy but we will always make time to talk to you. It is best to come and speak to us at the end of the day or make an appointment for a more formal discussion.

Further information is available from our website: www.gartonprimary.co.uk, or from the school office (01377 253110). We are always happy to answer any questions about our school so please feel free to contact us.

