



**CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL**  
**Newsletter: Friday 27 March 2026**

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week in school, full of fun and learning.

Without a doubt, the biggest highlight of this week has been the Spring Music Concert. What a talented bunch of children we have at Corbridge CofE First School! Music is at the heart of our school and it was lovely to celebrate all of the wonderful learning as part of the music curriculum, as well as enjoy performances from children who have peripatetic lessons in school, and those who attend the choir. For many of them, this was their first time performing on a stage and I think we can agree they were all absolute stars! They loved looking out at all of the smiling faces of their friends and grown-ups, and seeing the joy that music can bring. Music is a wonderful thing to have in your life - it is a way to lift you up, to express yourself and share joy with others. Our children certainly did this, and then some!

It was particularly wonderful to see and hear our drummers - new additions to the lessons we offer since our last concert. The children watching were in absolute awe! Mr. Hutton emailed to share his joy following the event and said, "It was such a great showcase today - so many musical kids doing great things and really enjoying themselves in the process. Great to see!"

I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Richardson for organising the event and to our fantastic teachers - Mr. Reed, Miss. Hetherington, Mr. Hutton and Mr. Hunter - for all of their support and preparation. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support the event, too. Our next opportunity to come together in this way will be the Easter Service at St. Andrew's Church on Wednesday 1st April at 1.30pm.

If your child has been inspired this week and would like to sign up for individual or group instrument lessons, please get in touch!

Year 3 travelled to Queen's Hall, Hexham on Monday to take part in the Hexham Book Festival. They went to see Neill Cameron, author of the 'Donut Squad' and 'Mega Robo Bros' comics featured weekly in The Phoenix, and in their own standalone graphic novels. They were in their element as they listened to Neill talk about his work before having a go at creating their own characters. Neill even came into the audience to

Music has  
healing power. It  
has the ability to  
take people out  
of themselves for  
a few hours.

- Elton John



give them advice about their work and offer encouragement. I know that we are going to see some of these published in the future!

Have a lovely weekend, everyone!

*S Hart & E Sanderson*

Executive Head Teacher & Deputy Head Teacher

**Attendance this week: 94.3%**

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Reception with 96.9%	Year 3 with 95.7%	Year 4 with 93%



**School Dinners**

Week beginning Monday 30 March 2026 for Spring Term 2, will be Week 3 of our [menu](#)

*\*Note that Thursday 2 April will be the Easter Special Lunch and the menu can be found below in the school diary details*

**Additional Information:**

- **Free School Meals**

If you feel that your child may be eligible for free school meals, please read the criteria and make an application as soon as you can. Find out more on the [Northumberland County Council](#) website.

To apply, please complete this form via [Northumberland County Council](#).

- **Karate Camp: Easter Holidays**

Karate Camp is on for the second week of the Easter holidays, from Monday 13th to Friday 17th April.

Karate Camp is our holiday club at Prudhoe West Academy that runs from 9am till 3pm each day. It is open to all grades, from beginner to black belt.

Everybody will need to bring a packed lunch and can come in normal active clothes and bring their karate kit with them to get changed into later in the day. The day will be a mix of karate, obstacle courses, dodgeball and other activities.

Camp is £25 per day or £100 for all 5 days. For those that are ready there will be an opportunity to do their grading on the Friday afternoon and move onto the next belt, this will be the usual £25 grading fee.

For more info or to book in contact Peter on 07912 533164

**The School Diary:** Please remember to check for any new dates each week.

*Dates in red are new dates which have been added*

Date	Event	Notes
<b>March 2026</b>		
Week commencing 23 March	Year 4 - Parent Consultations	Parentmail and hard copy of letter - sent out 2.3.26
Week commencing 23 March	Reception - Parent Consultations (Wednesday 25th March and Wednesday 1st April)	Parentmail and hard copy of letter - sent out 3.3.26
Week commencing 30 March	Nursery, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Parent Consultations	Parentmail and hard copy of letter - sent out 11.3.26
Monday 30 & Tuesday 31 March	Year 4 Residential: Ford Castle	Parentmail issued 13.1.26 - updated information
<b>April 2026</b>		
Wednesday 1	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church at 1.30pm	Parentmail sent 16.03.26
Wednesday 1	Reception Parent To Lunch - 11.30am	Parentmail sent 12.03.26 and paper letter/invitation sent home
Thursday 2	Break The Rules for April Fools	Parentmail sent 17.3.26
Thursday 2	Special Lunch for Easter *Menu chosen by Year 1: chicken goujons or hot dogs; curly fries or pasta, beans or sweetcorn and cheesecake.	Invitation (Parentmail Form) sent to packed lunch children on 19.3.26
Thursday 2	Last day of term - break up for Easter	
Monday 20	School Re-opens for Summer Term 1	
Wednesday 22	Reception Vision Screening	Parentmail sent out 3.3.26
<b>May 2026</b>		
Monday 4	School Closed - Bank Holiday	

Friday 8 May	Big Brunch fundraiser for Christian Aid	More information to follow
Friday 8	Reception Visit to Low Barns Farm	More information to follow
Wednesday 13	Class Photos (AM)	
Thursday 21	KS1 - Federation Athletics @ Wentworth	More information to follow
Friday 22	Last day of term – Break Up for May half-term	
<b>June 2026</b>		
Monday 1	School Re-opens for Summer Term 2	
Monday 8	Week beginning 8th June - Year 1 Phonics Screen Check	
Wednesday 10	Year 4 Visit to Beamish	More information to follow
Tuesday 23	Year 4 Leavers Service at Hexham Abbey (am) <b>**Service for children only</b>	More information to follow
Tuesday 23	KS1 & KS2 Federation Cricket at Corbridge Cricket Club	More information to follow
Friday 26	Whole School - Beach Visit to Tynemouth	More information to follow
<b>July 2026</b>		
Tuesday 7	Transfer Day	More information to follow
Friday 17	Last day of term Break up for Summer <b>School Closes at 1:30pm</b>	<b>**School re-opens for Autumn Term - Wednesday 2 September 2026</b>
<b>September 2026</b>		
Tuesday 1	Teacher Training Day: School Closed to Pupils	
Wednesday 2	School Re-opens for Autumn Term 1	