



CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL
Newsletter: Friday 16 January 2026

Dear Families,

Over the last two weeks, the children have been learning all about our Christian Value of forgiveness in worship and using emotional regulation techniques to help understand and be in control of their feelings. We have looked at the feeling of anger - how to recognise it and what we can do to control it before we reach 'bursting' point (helpfully shown by a balloon!) The children had some brilliant ideas to support regulation: counting to ten, breathing exercises, being outside in nature and talking to a friend or grown-up. I am so proud of the mature approach they all demonstrate towards understanding their feelings.

On Monday, our Year 3 children travelled to the Sikh Gurdwara in Newcastle to experience their RE learning first hand. They toured the Gurdwara and learnt all about Sikh worship and festivals. The children also visited the langar - or community kitchen - in the Gurdwara. Serving in the langar is an important practice in Sikhism - it is believed that by serving and sharing food, individuals cultivate humility, grace and a sense of connection with others. The food served is always vegetarian, to accommodate all faiths, and the children loved trying new flavours and taking part in this special practice.

I am lucky enough to teach RE every week and drop into other sessions across the whole school. I am so impressed with how thoughtful and respectful our children are, and how curious they are about the world around them. The children have also come on leaps and bounds with their reading recently and made some amazing progress. Thank you to all grown-ups at home for supporting this, for making reading a priority and for sharing books with the children at home. It is wonderful to see their enthusiasm! We have some reading cafes and workshops springing up so please keep an eye out for dates.

As the cold weather continues, please can we ask that all children come to school with warm coats to wear. Please also ensure that all items are labelled with names as it makes the transition to playtime, and then hometime, so much quicker. It also encourages independence.

Finally, we have confirmed a date for our Spring Music Concert - Wednesday 25th March at 1.30pm. Our choir, Reception children, Year 2 ukulele players and children having instrument tuition in school will be performing, so please save the date. It will be a wonderful afternoon and celebration of the amazing talent we have in school.

Have a lovely weekend!

S Hart & E Sanderson

Executive Head Teacher & Deputy Head Teacher

Attendance this week: 96.3%

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Year 3 with 98.3%	Year 2 with 96.7%	Reception with 96%



School Dinners

Week beginning Monday 19 January 2026 for Spring Term 1, will be Week 3 of our [menu](#)

Additional Information:

- **The Dog House: Channel 4 Tv Programme**

Channel 4's The Dog House is looking for local families to offer a loving home to a rescue dog and share their reasons why on the show! If you're interested, find out more here:

c4thedoghousetakepart.co.uk or email thedoghouse@fivemilefilms.co.uk.

The poster is framed in orange. At the top left, the word 'HEROES' is written in large, bold, orange letters, followed by a paw print icon. Below it, the word 'WELCOME' is written in the same style. In the top right corner is the Channel 4 logo. The central text reads 'COULD YOU RESCUE A DOG?' in bold black letters. To the right of this text is a photograph of a beagle dog sitting and looking towards the camera. Below the dog, the text 'CHANNEL 4'S the Dog House IS BACK!' is written, with 'the Dog House' in a cursive font. At the bottom left, it says 'APPLY NOW' in bold black letters. At the bottom center, there is a paw print icon and the website address 'C4THEDOGHOUSE TAKEPART.CO.UK' in bold black letters. The background of the poster features faint paw prints and a bone shape.

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
January 2026		
Sunday 25	Roller Skating (adults only) at Wentworth Leisure Centre, Hexham, 2pm-4pm	Parentmail sent out 7.1.26
Tuesday 27	Year 1 Phonics Workshop	Parentmail form and parentmail sent out 6.1.26
Wednesday 28	Rainbow Day	More information to follow
Wednesday 28	Rainbow Day - Special Lunch	Invitation sent by Parentmail Form to Packed Lunch children
Wednesday 28	Be You Team - to deliver mindfulness assemblies and workshops	
February 2026		
Monday 2 - Thursday 12	STEM Fortnight	STEM parent expertise - Parentmail sent out 5.1.26
Friday 6	Reception Class: Baptism visit 1pm at St Andrew's Church (event for children only - not parents/carers)	
Thursday 12	KS1 Federation Basketball at BFS 1pm - 3pm	More information to follow
Thursday 12	Last day of term Break up for February half-term	
Friday 13	School Closed to Pupils - Teacher Training Day	
Sunday 22 February	Valentines Roller Disco at Wentworth Leisure Centre, Hexham, 2pm-4pm	Parentmail sent out 7.1.26
Monday 23	School Re-opens for Spring Term 2	
Tuesday 24	Yr4 - Residential meeting - come to the school office for 2.40pm	Parentmail sent out 13.1.26

March 2026		
Thursday 5	World Book Day	More information to follow
Sunday 22	Roller Skating (adults only) at Wentworth Leisure Centre, Hexham, 10am - 12pm	Parentmail sent out 7.1.26
Wednesday 25	Spring Music Concert @ 1.30pm (for families with children in reception, year 2 ukulele, violin, guitar, drumming and choir)	More information to follow
Thursday 26	KS2 Federation Football at Corbridge Football Club from 1pm - 3pm	More information to follow
Thursday 26	Corbridge Gardening Society: Spring Show at 7:30pm	More information to follow
Friday 27	Easter Carousel for children in school	
Monday 30 & Tuesday 31 March	Year 4 Residential: Ford Castle	Parentmail issued 13.1.26 - updated information
April 2026		
Wednesday 1	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church at 1.30pm	More information to follow
Thursday 2	Last day of term - break up for Easter	
Monday 20	School Re-opens for Summer Term 1	
May 2026		
Monday 4	School Closed - Bank Holiday	
Friday 22	Last day of term – Break Up for May half-term	
June 2026		
Monday 1	School Re-opens for Summer Term 2	

Wednesday 10 June	Year 4 Visit to Beamish	More information to follow
Tuesday 23	Year 4 Leavers Service at Hexham Abbey (am) **Service for children only	More information to follow
Tuesday 23	KS1 & KS2 Federation Cricket at Corbridge Cricket Club	More information to follow
July 2026		
Tuesday 7	Transfer Day	More information to follow
Friday 17	Last day of term Break up for Summer School Closes at 1:30pm	**School re-opens for Autumn Term - Wednesday 2 September 2026
September 2026		
Tuesday 1	Teacher Training Day: School Closed to Pupils	
Wednesday 2	School Re-opens for Autumn Term 1	