

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Friday 1 July 2016

A huge thank you in advance to the staff and the parents/carers who have helped in the preparation for tomorrow's school fete. There is an enormous amount of work behind the scenes to make sure the day runs smoothly so we can all enjoy ourselves at the event. All this work goes unseen but should not go unpraised! Thank you too to all those who have been so generous in donating for the various stalls and activities. I am very much looking forward to seeing you all there – whatever the weather, it will be a fantastic day.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 assemblies were all really well attended this week. The children were brilliant and it's a fantastic way for parents and other family members to celebrate their learning. We are now looking forward to the exciting upcoming events in our last two weeks and two days of term, including Transfer Day, Sports Day, The Kosmic Krew Science Theatre Show and, of course, the Year Four Leavers' show.

I look forward to seeing you at the fete tomorrow.

  
Head Teacher



**Raffle and Auction – summer fete – 2 July 2016** - We have a fantastic range of prizes for our raffle and also items to be bid for during our auction. Thank you to all those businesses and individuals who have donated prizes. Thank you too to those companies who have sponsored a stall or activity at the fete – click on the link to see a full list of prizes and sponsors [Raffle, Auction and Sponsors](#)

We will continue to sell raffle tickets during the fete. The draw will take place at 4.00pm. Prizes include £50 cash prize, Reflections Hair & Beauty Gift Voucher, £40 voucher for The Duck House, £50 voucher for Corbridge Tandoori, Tea for Two at Slaley Hall, meal for 2 at The Golden Lion, vouchers from Waitrose, Katie Kerr, Norma James, The Angel, the Black Bull, Active Northumberland, tickets for Bamburgh Castle, Alnwick Castle, Beamish...and lots more! We will also be hosting an auction where you can bid for a year's supply of ice-cream from Vallum Farm, tickets for Corbridge Music Festival, a Yakov Meerkat toy ...and lots more!

**Go Mantle – Superhero School – Year 2 – Monday 4 July 2016** – Bigfoot Arts Education will be in school on Monday 4 July to work with Year 2. The Go "MANTLE" Day enables the children to become part of a story. The experience enables them to further develop an understanding of themselves and their place in the world in which we live.

**Sports Day** takes place at 1.30pm Tuesday 12 July 2016 (weather permitting). The playground gate will be opened at 1.25pm for parents to join us on the field. The children will take part in a carousel of activities to allow everyone to compete as part of a team, followed by an individual sprint race to allow individuals to shine. Certificates will be awarded on Friday 15 July to recognise some individual achievements which will be displayed on the school website.

The children have been split into four teams – **Green** **Blue** **Yellow** and **White** and we would be grateful if your child could wear a t-shirt in the colour of their team – a letter detailing your child's team will be sent home early next week.

**School Reports** will be issued at the beginning of week commencing 11 July. Parents are invited to share views regarding the report by completing the parent contribution form. There will be an opportunity for parents to drop in to see their child's teacher between 3.00 and 4.00pm on Wednesday 13 July if there are any concerns arising from the report.



**Milk Orders – Autumn Term 2016** - Letters and reply slips went out this week detailing the cost of milk for the autumn term 2016 - £14.20. If you would like to order milk for your child please let us have your reply slip and payment by Monday 11 July 2016. We can still accept orders for milk after this date but milk will not be available for late orders until the second week of the autumn term.

**Swimming Gala** – Eight of our Year 3 children - Frances, Sam, Jessica, Harvey, Eleanor, Jacob, Thomas and Amy represented CFS at the Schools' Swimming Gala at the Wentworth on Monday 27 June. They had a very busy and exciting morning with Thomas, Eleanor and Frances all making it to the final of their individual events. Miss Clark and Miss Beresford accompanied the children and have told me the children put in a fantastic team effort. Congratulations to the team for swimming well and for supporting and cheering each other during every race!

**Nursery Graduation Assembly** – parents and carers are invited to attend the graduation assembly on Wednesday 13 July 2016 at 9.10am in the school hall. The children will sing a selection of their pirate songs before they receive their graduation certificates.

**DIARY DATES.....see over the page for dates for your diary.....new dates will be added regularly so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group .....**

## Corbridge Church of England First School – Diary Dates

Diary Dates	Event
<b>Saturday 2 July</b>	<b>School Summer Fete and Parade</b>
Tuesday 5 July	<p>Transfer Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 4 children visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher</li> <li>Nursery is closed on 5 July as children due to start nursery in September 2016 will be having their visit day. Children due to join our Reception class will be having their welcome day and meeting their teacher.</li> <li>If your child is joining our Reception class in September, please bring them to the school playground for 9.15am. Their welcome visit runs from 9.15am to 12 noon. They will have their lunch in school as usual that day.</li> </ul>
Monday 4 July	Year 2 – Go Mantle – Super Hero School workshop day rung by Bigfoot Arts Education
Wednesday 6 July	Year 3 – Visit to the Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead – tour and art workshop .
Monday 11 July	The Kosmic Krew Science Theatre Show – Search for the Kosmic Krystal – Reception to Year 4
Tuesday 12 July	Sports Day will take place at 1.30pm on 12 July (weather permitting). The playground gate will be opened at 1.25pm for parents to join us on the field. There will be a carousel of activities to allow all the children to compete as part of a team, followed by an individual sprint race to allow individuals to shine. Certificates will be awarded to recognise some individual achievements which will be displayed on the school website.
Wednesday 13 July	Nursery Graduation Assembly – parents and carers are invited to come along at 9.10am. Please come into school via the office after you have dropped your child off in nursery.
Wednesday 13 July	Parent Open Door – opportunity for parents to drop in to see their child’s teacher between 3.00 and 4.00pm if there are any concerns arising from your child’s school report which will be issued at the beginning of week commencing 11 July.
Friday 15 July	Year 2 visit to Gibside, Derwent Valley, including adult led Red Kite Ramble.
Friday 15 July	Year 4 Leavers’ Concert – 9.15am
Monday 18 July	Sustainable Sounds Workshops – this project has been made possible by a grant from the Ernest Cook Trust <a href="http://ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants/">http://ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants/</a> awarded to Core Music. Whole school music presentation (Nursery to 4). Workshops with hands on experience making music and instruments.
Tuesday 19 July	Summer Reading Challenge 2016 – Steph Penny from Corbridge Library will be in school to launch this year’s summer reading challenge with the children.
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Tuesday 19 July 2016 for the summer break. School re-opens on Tuesday 6 September 2016.</b>	

