

CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL Newsletter: Friday 8 December 2023

Dear Families,

It's been another busy week in school as the children have been working hard to prepare for Christmas.

Monday was a very special day in school because we made our Christingles. The children learnt all about the symbolism of the different elements and we all came together at the end of the day for a service in school with Reverend David. Advent is a wonderful time where we reflect on the many joys of the year and look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus. The lighting of candles reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world – John 1:5 says, "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." We are thinking of the many people in our community who may need some light in their darkness currently, and we hold them in our prayers as we look at the shining light of the Christingles.

It was also a very special week for our Nursery and Reception children. Not only did they attend our Christingle service, they also took part in a Stay and Play with their grown-ups! Lots of fun was had by all: the children couldn't wait to show off their creations! I hope everyone will have their crafts proudly on display at home. I know it is always a special time at our house when we bring out the decorations our children made at school, and remember such happy events.

Have a lovely weekend,

S Hart & E Florek

Executive Head Teacher Executive Deputy Head Teacher

<u>Big Thank you</u>

Thank you to all families who purchased their child/siblings photographs, we made £329.76 in commission, which is fantastic!

Attendance this week: 96.7%

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Year 1 with 100%	Reception with 98.3%	Year 4 with 96.9%

School Dinners:

Week beginning Monday 11 December 2023 for Autumn Term, and will be Week 3 of our menu

The School Diary: The term dates are in the grid this week but we will be filling the diary with all of our events for the term soon. Please remember to check for any new dates in each week. *Dates in red are new dates which have been added*

Date	Event	Notes	
December 2023			
Tuesday 12th	KS2 Christmas performance @ 1.30pm	Parentmail issued.	
Wednesday 13th	PTA Christmas Movie Night	Parentmail issued.	
Wednesday 13th	Nursery - Bring a parent to lunch	Parentmail issued.	
Thursday 14th	KS1 Christmas performance @ 1.30pm	Parentmail issued.	
Friday 15th	EYFS Christmas Performance @ 9.15am	Parentmail issued.	
Monday 18th	EYFS Christmas Party - AM	More information to follow	
Monday 18th	KS2 Christmas Party - PM	More information to follow	
Tuesday 19th	KS1 Christmas Party - PM	More information to follow	
Wednesday 20th	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day (Donations for Save the Children)	Parentmail issued.	
Thursday 21st	KS2 singing at Charlotte Straker and Primlea Court (PM)		
Friday 22nd	Christmas Carol Service at St Andrew's Church at 9.30am - Parents/carers welcome	More information to follow	
Christmas Holidays - School finishes at 1.30pm on Friday 22nd December - we return on Monday 8 th January 2024			