

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Friday 15 January 2016

We didn't win the lottery rollover last weekend, but we have benefited to the tune of £450 from three activities supported by the families of our children – Tyne Photo individual and family photographs, My Child's Art Project and the Sunderland Football Club ticket promotion. After discussion amongst the staff, we know the children really enjoy when we are able to bring a production into school so we are going to spend this money on a new show. We'll let you know when we have something booked.

Wow Years 3 and 4 were buzzing this week after their first dance lesson with Laura Prince - this is after lesson one – nine more to go so we can't wait to see the levels of energy and enthusiasm as the project progresses. We are using our Government sports grant to take advantage of this specialist teaching training. Reception and Years 1 and 2 will also enjoy the specialist dance units of work which will be delivered by their class teachers.

We are looking forward to welcoming Proctor and Gamble into school next Wednesday to run a science based workshop and activities with Year 1. Thank you to our parent governor, Mr Paton, who has helped to organise this.

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



Bike and scooter rack – this has been moved to inside the playground gates. Whilst the rack is in the playground please remind your child that it is not a play item as we don't want any injuries or bikes/scooters to be damaged. The gates are closed at 4.00pm so don't forget to collect when you leave at 3.00pm.

School Council News

The school council called a meeting this week to discuss how they would like to invest money into more playground resources. Each class has contributed requests which we are aiming to finance using money raised at recent fundraisers. At the meeting they also decided their next focus is to be healthy food and eating habits at Corbridge First School. Watch out for news on this topic later this term.

After School Club News

Dance Club* – dance club is running on Thursdays after school.

Karate Club* – karate club starts again on Monday 18 January.

Tennis Club – unfortunately we are unable to offer tennis club this term.

*Please collect your child from the Reception class quad – the children will be handed over to you from the hall fire doors. If you would like further information about Dance or Karate please ask at the school office.



Year 2 – Let's Do Lunch! We would like to invite parents/carers (or grandparent/aunt/uncle if you are unable to attend) of Year 2 children to join them for lunch on Wednesday 20 January. A roast dinner will be served. If you would like to come along please complete the reply slip on the letter sent home with your child last week and return it to the school office with payment ... or contact the school office for details.

Parent Consultation Meetings will be held during week commencing 7 March 2016. A letter offering appointment times will be sent out in early February.

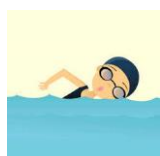
Fellside Residential (Y4 – May 2016) Payment Schedule – the payment schedule for those paying in instalments is included on the diary page for your information. Instalment 2 is due by Monday 8 February 2016.

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	Notes
Wednesday 20 January	Y2 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day	
Wednesday 20 January	Y1 - Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) Workshop and Activities – focus will be 'Materials'	Workshop and activities run by Proctor and Gamble
School closes at 3.00pm on Thurs 11 February for half term (Fri 12 February is a teacher training day). School re-opens on Mon 22 February		
Wednesday 2 March	Y1 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day	Information will be sent out
Week commencing 7 March	Parent Consultation Meetings will be held during w/c 7 March 2016	Information will be sent out
Friday 18 March	Sport Relief – Fundraising Event	Information will be sent out
School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 24 March 2016 for the Easter Break and re-opens on Monday 11 April 2016.		
Monday 11 April	Y3 swimming – first of 11 lessons during the summer 2016 term; last lesson Monday 4 July	
Wednesday 20 April	Reception – Bring a parent/carer to lunch day	Information will be sent out
Friday 22 April	Penguinpig (E-Safety Puppet Show) – Traum Theatre will be in school to take workshops with Reception, Years 1 and 2; Prior to the workshops, Traum Theatre will perform their Penguinpig show to all classes (Reception to Year 4)	
Monday 25 April	Tyne Photo will be in school to take class photographs.	
School closed - May Day – 2 May 2016		
Monday 16 May	Y4 - Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) Workshop and Activities – focus will be 'States of Matter'	Workshop and activities run by Proctor and Gamble
Wed 25 to Fri 27 May	Year 4 – Fellside Residential Visit	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 27 May 2016 for half term break and re-opens on Monday 6 June 2016.		
Wednesday 15 June	6.00pm - Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Nursery in September 2016	
Wednesday 22 June	6.00pm – Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Reception class in September 2016	
Tuesday 5 July	Transfer Day – Year 4 children visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher	
School closes at 3.00pm on Tuesday 19 July 2016 for the summer break. School re-opens on Tuesday 6 September 2016.		

Fellside May 2016 - Payment Schedule	
Amount	Due By
£42.25	Monday 11 January 2016
£42.25	Monday 8 February 2016
£42.25	Monday 7 March 2016
£42.25	Monday 11 April 2016
Cheques payable to 'NCC' – please send payments (cash/cheque) in an envelope marked with your child's name + 'Fellside'.	



Year 3 swimming dates - spring term 2016 – Mondays – 10 lessons

11 January	1 February	7 March
18 January	8 February	14 March
25 January	22 February	21 March
	29 February	

Year 3 swimming dates - summer term 2016 – Mondays – 11 lessons

11 April	9 May	6 June	4 July
18 April	16 May	13 June	
25 April	23 May	20 June	
		27 June	

