

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 6 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day on Thursday was enjoyed by all, and thanks once again to Forum Books for making us so welcome! The children loved being out of uniform and during the day they truly celebrated the joy of reading. The children were a credit to the school with their behaviour walking down, and around Corbridge. They demonstrated a secure knowledge of how to stay safe on the roads - this was evident from the smallest in the school to the biggest. We learn about Road Safety regularly throughout the school year, and it is wonderful to see that those lessons are really having an impact.

Thank you to all of the Year 1 and Year 2 family members who joined us in school this week for the class workshops. The children really enjoy working with you and from your feedback it is clear to see you value the sessions too! A big THANKYOU goes to JR Hollands for their very generous donation of fruits which was enjoyed by Year 1 in the Fruit Salad Workshop. Next week we look forward to welcoming the Year 3 families. Don't forget to visit the [school website](http://www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk) to see the photographs!

The children have been planning their Sports Relief fundraising ideas for next week and they are hoping to raise money whilst also having fun, enjoyment through sports, and being active. I look forward to seeing their obstacle courses!

Have a lovely weekend,

**J. Ainsley S Gray**

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



**School Dinners:** Week beginning Monday 9 March 2020 will be Week 1 of our [menu](#).

## Coronavirus Update –

We are continuing to take heed of all advice sent via the Public Health England, the Government, Diocese and Council. The Department for Education has launched a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)

Advice currently states ***“No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.”***

In school we are expressing the importance of hygiene and looking at limiting the spread of any germs. We have talked to the children about coughs and sneezes and are sharing the “Catch it, Bin it, Kill it” strategy. The importance of handwashing is also being revisited and many reminders are given in school to ensure the children wash their hands.

## Fundraising



Big thank you to all who have supported Easyfundraising over the past few months - we have just received a cheque for **£39.68**. A big thank you to everyone who supported our bags to school - **£100** was raised! Mrs Hutchinson and our playground buddies will be buying new playground toys very soon with these funds.



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## Year 3 swimming dates –Spring Term 2020 – Wednesdays

11, 18 and 25 March

1 April

**Diary - new dates will be added in red so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group.**

### Corbridge Church of England First School – Diary Dates Spring/Summer Term 2020

Monday 9 March	EYFS – Fire Engine Visit to School	Morning session
Tuesday 10 March	Year 3 Family Learning Session in School <b>1 family member to attend</b>	Morning Session Letter has been issued.
Thursday 12 March	Year 2 – Operation Encompass workshop in school 2pm-3pm – delivered by Sarah Donnison	Parentmail has been issued.
Thursday 12 March	Operation Encompass – parent drop in 3pm – 3.30pm – delivered by Sarah Donnison	Parentmail has been issued.
Friday 13 March	SPECIAL LUNCH - Sport Relief Sport relief – Charity Fundraiser – Wristbands £2	Letter has been issued. ParentMail issued on 6 March 2020
Thursday 19 March	Author Visit @ Broomhaugh First School Year 3 & Year 4 (AM)	Letter has been issued. Please note the change of date.
Friday 20 March - 13 April	Great Big School Clean	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 25 March	EYFS – Police Visit to School	Morning session
Tuesday 31 March	Spring Stay & Play – EYFS (am) <b>1 family member to attend</b>	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 31 March	Year 4 Residential meeting 2.45pm	Letter has been issued.
Friday 3 April	SPECIAL LUNCH – Easter Lunch	Letter has been issued.
Friday 3 April	Easter Celebration at St Andrew's Church	1.30pm - all welcome Children can be taken home at the end of the service
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 3 April for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 20 April.</b>		
Thursday 30 April	Year 4 Family Learning Session in School <b>1 family member to attend</b>	Morning Session Further information to follow.
Tuesday 5 May – Thursday 7 May	Year 4 Residential	Payment letters have now been issued.
Thursday 7 May	SPECIAL LUNCH – Reception Lunch Choice	Further information to follow.
Friday 8 May	SCHOOL CLOSED	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 11 - 15 May	Year Two SATs Week	Y2 Parent letter issued.
Friday 22 May	Year 1 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 22 May	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 1 Lunch Choice	Further information to follow.
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 22 May for Summer half term reopens on Monday 1 June.</b>		
Monday 8 June	Phonics screening check week	
Friday 12 June	Year 2 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 12 June	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 2 Choice	Further information to follow.
Monday 15 June	Year Four Times Table Check Week	
Friday 19 June	Reception Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 26 June	Year 3 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 26 June	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 3 Choice	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 1 July	SPECIAL LUNCH – Teddy Bear's picnic	Further information to follow.
Monday 6 July	TRANSFER DAY The children spend the day in their classroom for next year with new staff and Y4 go off to the Middle School.	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 14 July	Nursery Graduation & Sports Morning 9:15am	Further information to follow.
Thursday 16 July	Year Four Leavers Show (morning)	Further information to follow.
Friday 17 July	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 4 Choice	Further information to follow.

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