

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 10 November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

It is great to see all the children who are enthused and excited about entering the 55 reads and the reading photograph challenge. We look forward to seeing even more photographs of your children reading in the most exciting and interesting places. All entries will be displayed in school and on the website, with the winning photos receiving a special prize.

We are really looking forward to next Friday's 'spotacular' non-uniform day. The children are invited to dress to impress in their spottiest outfit and to make a donation for Children in Need. We will have Pudsey prizes for the best dressed in each class. I am glad the responsibility of judging the Children in Need Cupcake Bake Off falls to Mrs Dobson and Mrs Bowman as I know it is a really difficult job! I hope baking with your children will be fun and we can raise money for this worthy charity.



Next week is our 'Anti-Bullying' week. Through assemblies and activities we will ensure the children feel even more confident in reporting any incidents they feel could be bullying and know there are adults to speak to in school if they are ever worried. We will continue to reinforce the message that they should always speak out. We do take any reports of bullying in school very seriously - please don't hesitate to speak to the class teacher or myself if you have any concerns regarding your child.

Good news, and a thank you to end the week... Bags to School raised £120! The funds will be used purchase special Christmas treats and prizes for the parties in school.

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



OPEN MORNINGS FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN DUE TO START NURSERY OR RECEPTION CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER 2018

Tuesday 14 November 2017 at 9.30-10.15am

Thursday 30 November 2017 at 9.30-10.15am

There are still places available on our open mornings for parents/carers of children due to start nursery or Reception classes in September 2017. If you would like to book a place please call in at the school office or email

admin@corbridgefirstschool.northumberland.sch.uk or telephone 01434 632534.

Year 2 – Bring a parent/carers to lunch – Wednesday 15 November – if you have not already replied and would like to attend please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Road Safety – Road safety workshops will be delivered to each class on Tuesday 21 November. As the dark nights set in we will be reminding the children all about staying safe. We continue to rely on your support when asking you to park considerately, and in safe marked areas. This will help to reduce risks and danger to our children during the busy morning and afternoon drop off times.

Vision Testing – did you know that the NHS recommends children have their vision tested every two years? This test is free for all children under the age of 16. If you do take your child for a test ask for a Colour Vision Deficiency (CVD) test. CVD affects the way a person perceives colour. The NHS does not routinely include a CVD test and the Northumberland Sensory Support Service is concerned that there may be a large number of children and young people in schools with undiagnosed CVD. A child who is diagnosed with CVD can then be given the educational support needed.

TESCO Bags of Help

Our Bags of Help collection is well underway at Hexham Tesco. Please remember to add your token if you are shopping!

Diary dates are printed on the next pages....new dates will be added regularly (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 2017-2018

| Date | Event | Notes |
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| Tuesday 14 November | Anti-Bullying Week – School Workshops. Big Foot Theatre Company | All pupils will take part in this special event through the school day. |
| Wednesday 15 November | Year 2 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch. | If you have not yet booked and wish to attend please contact the office. |
| Thursday 16 November | Year 3 and 4 film Festival Diary of a Whimpy Kid: The Long Haul @ Forum | Letters have now been sent - please return payment and permission as soon as possible |
| Friday 17 November | BBC Children In Need Day and Special Lunch | |
| Tuesday 21 November | Road Safety Workshops provided by Northumberland County Council. | In classes and through a whole school presentation Road Safety workshops will take place. |
| Wednesday 22 November | Year 1 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch. | Letters have now been sent – please return form and payment no later than Monday 13 November. |
| Wednesday 29 November | Reception parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch. | Further information to follow. |
| Wednesday 29 November | School Immunisation Team – Flu Vaccine (R, 1, 2, 3, 4) | Further information to follow Permission forms will be sent out |
| Friday 1 December | EYFS Stay and Play - Decorations day | Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow. |
| Monday 4 December | Super Splash Heroes – Whole school show sponsored by Northumbrian Water. | Children will learn about water waste and conservation through a fun performance during the afternoon. |
| Monday 11 December | Reception and Nursery – nativity dress rehearsal | 9.15am |
| Tuesday 12 December | Reception and Nursery – nativity | 9.15am |
| Wednesday 13 December | Y1-Y4 Christmas Show dress rehearsal | 9.30am |
| Wednesday 13 December | Y1-Y4 Christmas Shows | Two shows – one at 1.30pm and a second at 6.00pm. |
| Thursday 14 December | Christmas Movie Night – fundraiser | Further information to follow. |
| Tuesday 19 December | Reception & Nursery (am) Y3 & Y4 (pm) Christmas Party | Further information to follow. |
| Wednesday 20 December | Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party (pm) | Further information to follow. |
| Thursday 21 December | Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch | Charity fundraiser If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Friday 22 December | Big Foot Theatre – A Christmas Carolling Catastrophe | Morning pantomime performance |
| Friday 22 December | Carol Service at St Andrew's Church | 1.30pm - all welcome |
| School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 22 December for the Christmas break. School will reopen on Tuesday 9 January 2018. | | |
| Thursday 18 January | Year 1 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | Morning session |
| Thursday 25 January | Year 2 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | Morning session |
| Friday 26 January | Year Three Menu Choice | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Thursday 1 February | Year 3 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | Morning session |
| Tuesday 6 February | Safer Internet Day | |
| Thursday 8 February | EYFS Stay and Play - Inspire | Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow. |
| Thursday 8 February | Year 4 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | Morning session |
| Thursday 8 February | Family Quiz Night – school fundraiser | Further information to follow. |

Don't forget to visit the School Website: www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk



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| Friday 9 February | Special Valentine's Lunch | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 9 February for half term and reopens on Monday 19 February. | | |
| Thursday 1 March | World Book Day | |
| Friday 9 March | Year Two Menu Choice | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Wednesday 21 March | EYFS Stay and Play – Easter / Spring Carousel | Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. |
| Friday 23 March | Sport Relief | Charity fundraiser |
| Friday 23 March | Sport Relief Special Lunch | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Thursday 29 March | Special Easter Lunch | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Thursday 29 March | Easter Service at St Andrew's Church | 1.30pm - all welcome (date and time (TBC)) |
| School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 29 March for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 16 April. | | |
| Monday 7 May – school closed for Bank Holiday | | |
| Week commencing 16 April | Parent Consultations | Appointments will be sent out in due course. |
| Wednesday 2 May | Year 1 Class Assembly | 9:10am |
| Tuesday 8 May | Year Four Fellside Meeting | Meetings start at 2.30pm. Please enter school via the playground gate and proceed to the classroom door. The gate will be open from 2.25pm. |
| Tuesday 8 May | EYFS STEM session with Families. | Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow. |
| Wednesday 9 May | Year 2 Class Assembly | 9:10am |
| Wednesday 16 May | Year 3 Class Assembly | 9:10am |
| Friday 18 May | Year One Menu Choice | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Wednesday 23 May | Reception Class Assembly | 9:10am |
| Wednesday 23-May 25 May | Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside | |
| Wednesday 23 May | Movie Night – school fundraiser | |
| School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 25 May for half term and reopens on Monday 4 June. | | |
| Friday 15 June | Early Years' Menu Choice | If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired. |
| Saturday 30 June | Summer fete | |
| Monday 16 July | Sports' Day (afternoon) | |
| Tuesday 17 July | Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning | |
| Wednesday 18 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, | |
| Thursday 19 July | Year 4 Leavers' Concert | |
| School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 20 July 2018 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 4 September 2018. | | |

Please contact the school office if you require large type formats of any school produced documentation. School can also provide help with reading any documentation.

