

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Friday 26 September 2015

This week we have circulated letters giving you details of parent consultation dates and times. It is important that teachers are able to meet with you to talk about your child's progress, their targets and how we can work together to ensure they do their very best. Appointment times will be sent home with your child on Friday 2 October. Please do speak to your child's teacher if you can't make your meeting so that we can make alternative arrangements.

We have also sent out data checking sheets (as well as various permission forms for Years 1-4) to all parents/carers this week. To help us ensure the correct contact information is recorded for your child, I would be grateful if these could be returned to school by Friday 2 October.

Rest assure that it has not been an entire week of paperwork in school...it has been lovely listening to the children starting to practise their songs for our Harvest celebrations and I have again observed some fantastic learning taking place throughout school.

Finally, The Friends met on Wednesday this week – if you are able to offer your support please leave your contact details at the school office ... or come along to the AGM on Wednesday 30 September at 7.30pm in school.

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



Harvest Festival Celebrations

Friday 2 October - Nursery & Reception will celebrate Harvest in school with Reverend Julie Robson. Parents and carers are welcome to join the children at 9.10am. Children may wish to bring a non-perishable contribution to be taken to the church on 12 October.

Monday 12 October – 9.30am - The children from Reception Class through to Year Four will attend St Andrew's Church to celebrate Harvest Festival. All parents and carers are welcome to come along. The children may wish to bring a contribution – fresh produce, or tins and packets of food. The children should bring this with them on the morning of the celebration to take with them to the church. If you are able to accompany us to support the children on our walk to the church please let class teachers know. We will be leaving school at approximately 9:05am.

My child is unwell – how long should they be kept away from school - When children are unwell, parents often ask us for advice on how long they should be kept away from school/nursery. For example, where a child has diarrhoea and/or vomiting the recommended period to be kept away is 48 hours from the last occurrence. This advice is taken from guidance produced by Public Health England – guidance on infection control in schools and other childcare settings. A copy of the guidance is now posted on our website – under the Information tab. The guidance covers all the illnesses and infections you are likely to come across...chickenpox, impetigo, ringworm, conjunctivitis, tonsillitis and many more. If you need any advice please continue to contact us but we hope this document is helpful.

After School Clubs - Clubs are in full swing again and being enjoyed by many of our children. To make sure that every child is safe when they leave school after attending one of after school clubs, we request that parents, carers and staff from Kids Club collect children from the club leader from the school playground similar to our usual end of school routine. Children will exit school as detailed:

Archery/Outdoor Club: exit from Year 2 classroom door

Tennis: exit from Year 2 classroom door

Karate: exit through Reception Class Quad – hall fire doors

Dance Club: exit through Reception Class Quad – hall fire doors

Dwaine Pipe – fun, educational show for the whole school - Fame Factory Spotlight will be in school on Friday 16 October 2015 to perform a one hour show to all the children. Dwaine Pipe is a fun but educational show that teaches the children in a way that they will remember about the importance of knowing what items should not be put down the drain. The show is sponsored by Northumbrian Water.

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.....

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Lots of events coming soon - here are the important dates for your diary

| Diary Dates | Event | Notes |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Monday 28 September | Reception children - Vision Screening | Northumbria Healthcare |
| Wednesday 30 September | The Friends AGM – 7.30pm in school | All welcome |
| Friday 2 October | Nursery & Reception – Harvest Festival at 9.10am in school | Parents/Carers welcome – please enter school via the office. |
| Wednesday 7 October | Individual and family group photography. | Tynephoto |
| Monday 12 October | Harvest Festival | 9:30am @St Andrews Church – all welcome |
| Wednesday 14 October | Y4 – Bring a parent/carer to lunch day | Information will be sent out |
| Thursday 15 October | Reception Children – Hearing Screening | Northumbria Healthcare |
| Friday 16 October | Whole School – Dwaine Pipe – fun but educational show sponsored by Northumbrian Water. | Performance by Fame Factory Spotlight – importance of knowing what items should not be put down the drain! |
| Monday 19 October | Harvest Assembly - Corbridge Middle School | Y 4 children walk to Corbridge Middle to watch the Y 5 Harvest assembly. |
| w/c 19 October | Travelling Books – Book Fair | More information to follow. |
| 19, 20 and 21 October | Parent Consultations – Years 1-4 | Appointment slips will be sent home with your child on Friday 2 October |
| 19, 20 and 21 October | Stay and Play Sessions – Nursery | Appointment slips will be sent home with your child week commencing 5 October |
| Friday 13 November | BBC Children in Need – Champions of Change | Fundraising event – more info to follow |
| Monday 16 November | Anti-Bullying Week Event 1: 16 November – Bigfoot Arts Education will be in school – each year group will take part in workshops - ‘Mr Big’ programme. <i>Parents of Y3 and Y4 children invited to attend performance at 2.30pm in the school hall.</i> | Events and celebrations in school |
| Wednesday 18 November | Y3 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day | Information will be sent out |
| Monday 23 November | Road safety Awareness Week | Events and celebrations in school |
| Thursday 10 December | Nursery & Reception – St Andrews Church – 9.10am | Parents/Carers welcome to share the nativity message. |
| Friday 11 December | Christmas Lunch Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day | Fundraising for Save the Children |
| Wednesday 16 December | Christmas Shows Performance Day | Timings and ticket info to be sent out. |
| Friday 18 December | Beauty and the Beast | Pantomime show performed in school |
| Friday 18 December | Carol Service @St Andrews | 1:30pm @St Andrews Church – all welcome |
| Wednesday 20 January | Y2 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day | Information will be sent out |
| Wednesday 2 March | Y1 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day | Information will be sent out |
| Friday 18 March | Sport Relief – Fundraising Event | Information will be sent out |
| Wednesday 20 April | Reception – Bring a parent/carer to lunch day | Information will be sent out |
| Wednesday 8 June 2016 | Year 3 – block of 6 weeks’ swimming lessons – every Wednesday from 8 June 2016 | Information will be sent out |

TUBS4TABLETS - Please help support us by collecting and handing in any **TUBS4TABLETS** tokens (inside 500g tubs of Flora Original or Light and Buttery available from Tesco).

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

