

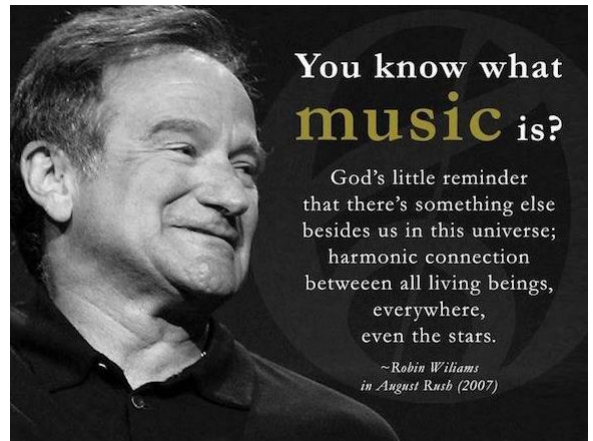


CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL Newsletter: Friday 4 April 2025

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week in school, full of fun and learning.

Without a doubt, the biggest highlight of this week has been the Spring Music Concert. What a talented bunch of children we have at Corbridge CofE First School! Music is at the heart of our school and it was lovely to celebrate all of the wonderful learning as part of the music curriculum, as well as enjoy performances from children who have peripatetic lessons in school, and those who attend the choir. For many of them, this was their first time performing on a stage and I think we can agree they were all absolute stars! They loved looking out at all of the smiling faces of their friends and grown-ups, and seeing the joy that music can bring. Music is a wonderful thing to have in your life - it is a way to lift you up, to express yourself and share joy with others. Our children certainly did this and then some!



I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Richardson for organising the event and to our fantastic teachers - Mr. Reed, Ms. Stephenson and Mr. Hunter - for all of their support and preparation. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support the event, too. Our next opportunity to come together in this way will be the Easter Service at St. Andrew's Church on Friday 11th April at 1.30pm.

If your child has been inspired this week and would like to sign up for individual or group instrument lessons, I have included the details as attachments.

Finally, I would like to mention some work that has taken place across the whole school this week. As part of wider PSHE work, we often deliver sessions to support the children's understanding of friendships, personal space and consent. For example, during peer massage, the children always seek permission from their partner before starting, modelling the importance of consent. A resource we have used in school this week is the NSPCC's 'Pantosaurus' video, reminding children that what is in their pants is private. If you would like to continue these discussions at home, the resources can be found online [here](#). Further information about our PSHE and RSHE curriculum can be found online [here](#). After Easter, this work will be supported by NDAS (Northumberland Domestic Abuse Service) who will be delivering healthy relationship workshops to children in KS1 and KS2.

Have a lovely weekend.

S Hart & E Sanderson

Executive Head Teacher & Deputy Head Teacher

Attendance this week: 98.2%

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Reception with 100%	Years 1 & 2 with 99.2%	Year 3 with 96%



School Dinners

Week beginning Monday 7 April 2025 for Spring Term, will be Week 3 of our [menu](#)

Reminders & Information Items

School Start Time: 8:45am

Children should be in their classrooms by 8:45am. We still have many families arriving after this time, causing a delay to the start of phonics and preventing us from locking the gate. Next week, the side gate next to Kids' Club will be open to enable you to leave the site when the main gate is locked at 8.45am. This should ease congestion. The main gate is open from 8.30am allowing families to enter the site for classroom doors, opening at 8.40am. Many thanks for your support with this.

Smartphone Survey

Thank you to everyone who took part in our recent survey on smartphones. Across the Hexham Partnership schools that participated in this, we received 466 responses. 72% of respondents were fully in favour of the proposal, 16% were in favour but with some reservations, 7% were not in favour due to certain reservations, and 5% were against. There are differing views as to which year groups the proposal should apply to, and from when.

Headteachers across the participating schools will reflect on the findings with our governing bodies at our next partnership meeting at the end of April, before coming back to parents with a fuller analysis and the intended next steps.

The School Diary: Please remember to check for any new dates each week.

Dates in red are new dates which have been added

Date	Event	Notes
<u>April 2025</u>		
Monday 7th	Year 3: Presentation from Peter Nutsford	
Tuesday 8th	EYFS: Easter Stay & Play at 1:30pm	Parentmail and Parentmail Form issued
Wednesday 9th	Nursery - Bring a Parent to Lunch	Parentmail and paper copy of letter issued
Wednesday 9th	Easter Celebration Day	Parentmail Issued

Wednesday 9th April	Easter Bake Off & Cake Sale	Parentmail Issued
Friday 11th	Special Easter Lunch	Invitation sent packed lunch children by Parentmail Form
Friday 11th	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church at 1.30pm.	Parentmail issued
Friday 11th	Last Day of Spring Term 2 Break up for Easter holidays	
Monday 28th	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 1	
<u>May 2025</u>		
Monday 5th	Bank Holiday	
Thursday 8th	Nursery visit to Farm	More information to follow
Friday 9th	Yr4 Quad Kids Athletics @ CMS (PM)	More information to follow
Monday 12th	Year 4 Residential Meeting @ 2.45pm	More information to follow
Week beginning Monday 12 May	Scoot To School Week	More information to follow
Thursday 22nd	KS1 - Federation Sports Event - Athletics @ BFS (PM)	More information to follow
Thursday 22nd May - Friday 23rd May	Year 4 Residential to Ford Castle	More information to follow
Friday 23rd	Year 3 - Visit to Vindolanda and Roman Army Museum	More information to follow
Friday 23rd	Last Day of Summer Term 1 Break up for May half term	
<u>June 2025</u>		
Monday 2nd	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 2	
Monday 9th - Friday 13th June	Year 4 - Multiplication Tables Check	More information to follow
Wednesday 11th	Year 4 Visit to Beamish	More information to follow
Wednesday 18th	Year 4: Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral (children only)	More information to follow

Friday 20 th June	Sounds of 70s Big Gig (Whole school dress up day)	More information to follow
Tuesday 24 th	KS1 & KS2 - Federation Sports Event - Cricket @ Corbridge Cricket Club	More information to follow
Friday 27 th	Whole school visit to Tynemouth Beach	More information to follow
<u>July 2025</u>		
Tuesday 1 st	Sports Day at 1:30pm	More information to follow
Tuesday 1 st	Summer Fair (after school)	More information to follow
Tuesday 1 st	Reception Graduation (time to be confirmed)	More information to follow
Friday 4 th	Federation Choir singing at St Andrew's Church, Corbridge @ 1.30pm	More information to follow
Tuesday 8 th	Transfer day	
Thursday 10 th	Yr 4 Leavers Performance @ 1.30pm	More information to follow
Friday 11 th	Yr4 Multi Sports Skills Festival @ CMS (PM)	More information to follow
Monday 14 th	Reports sent home	
Thursday 17 th	Yr 4 Leavers Picnic @ 3.15pm	More information to follow
Friday 18 th	End of year Service @ St Andrew's Church @ 9.30am	More information to follow
Friday 18 th	Last Day of Summer Term 2 Break up for Summer holidays School Closes at 1:30pm	
September 2025		
Monday 1	Teacher Training Day - school closed to pupils	
Tuesday 2	School Re-Opens for Autumn Term 1	

October 2025		
Last Day of Term	Last day of term	
Friday 24	Teacher Training Day - school closed to pupils	
November 2025		
Monday 3	School Re-opens: Autumn Term 2	
December 2025		
Friday 19	Last Day of Term Break up for Christmas holidays School Closes at 1:30pm	