

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Only one more week before we break up for Easter but there is still plenty to fit in. We are looking forward to welcoming Nursery parents into school for a Stay and Play session and teachers are looking forward to meeting with Reception to Y4 parents at the spring term parent consultation meetings.

I am very pleased to give you an update on how much was raised last Friday – a fantastic £314.71 in addition to the £240 for Red Nose sales. Thank you very much to all of our pupils and the great generosity of parents. It is an impressive total for just 153 pupils to raise.

As you will see from the news item below, we have now re-advertised the Caretaker post and hope that we will be able to make an appointment by the end of April. If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in the post, full details can be downloaded from our website - [Caretaker Post](#)

Finally this week, I am delighted to let you know that we have recently registered with the Green Tree School Awards and have achieved a bronze award. Our work at the allotment, planting trees and recycling initiatives contributed to our achievement. Our next challenge is to achieve a silver award!



J. Ainsley

Miss J Ainsley
Head Teacher



School closes for the Easter break at 3.00pm on Friday 7 April and reopens on Monday 24 April.

Onsite Caretaker - Permanent, full time post - 37 hours per week (split shift)

Band 4 (points 18-21) - £17,891 - £19,939 Governors are seeking to appoint a flexible, enthusiastic and reliable Caretaker. The successful candidate will live on the school site in bungalow accommodation which is provided with a subsidised rent. Good communication, interpersonal and DIY skills are essential. Previous experience of caretaking in a school would be an advantage. Further information and an application pack can be downloaded from our website [Caretaker Post](#) or to request a printed copy of the application pack telephone 01434 632534 or email admin@corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk. The closing date for applications is Friday 28 April 2017.

Recycling Printer Cartridges – working with the Great North Air Ambulance Service Trading Company, we are now recycling printer and photocopier cartridges. 100 per cent of profits generated from this recycling activity goes straight back to the charity, meaning people across the region are able to make a difference and support their local air ambulance in a convenient and environmentally friendly way. Parents are very welcome to drop off with us any cartridges they have for recycling.

Easter Celebration - You are all welcome to join us at **St Andrew's Church at 1.30pm on Friday 7 April** for our Easter celebration and to also mark the end of our spring term. We will have an **Easter Raffle** this year. Tickets will be sold in church and the draw will be made at the end of the service. The money collected will be used to help further stock the reading shed, which we will have up and running in the summer term. **We would like to say a huge thank you to the Corbridge Co-op for so generously giving us Easter Eggs for raffle prizes.**

Y4 Football Tournament – well done to Jessica, Amy, Finn, Matthew, George, Jonathan, Freddie and Sam from Y4 who took part in the Tynedale finals of the Northumberland School Games this week. They played really well - out of 7 games they managed to win 2 and draw 2 and we are very proud of them.

Milk Orders for the summer term 2017 – We can still accept orders but milk will not be available for late orders until the second week of the summer term as we have to confirm our order with the dairy at the start of week commencing 3 April.

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017 ... please donate your vouchers to us ... we can use them to get sports and cooking equipment

Diary dates are printed on the next page....new dates will be added regularly so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group...dates added or amended this week are marked in red.

Corbridge Church of England First School - Diary Dates 2016-2017

Date	Event	Notes
Week commencing 3 April	Parent Consultations throughout the week.	
Tuesday 4 April	9.00-10.30am - Nursery Stay and Play session – information has now been sent out.	
Tuesday 4 April	Y4 will take part in a one day workshop run by the Royal Institute of British Architects to learn about sustainable communities, and design & build their own sustainable town.	
5 April to 7 June 2017	Y3 and Y4 will take part in cricket coaching sessions on Wednesday mornings – 7 sessions run by Active Northumberland/Northumberland Cricket Board	
Friday 7 April	Easter Service at St Andrew’s Church - 1.30pm - all welcome. At the end of the service, children may go home with parents/carers. If you are unable to attend, we will bring your child back to school and follow the normal routine for end of day collection. If you are available to walk to or from the church with your child’s class please speak to your class teacher	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 7 April for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 24 April.		
Wednesday 26 April	Y4 – Fellside Residential Visit – parents and Y4 children invited to come into school at 3.05pm to hear more about the Fellside residential visit.	
Monday 1 May – school closed for Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 2 May	Charity Fundraising – Tynedale Hospice; Cathy Bates will be coming along to talk to the children about the work at the hospice. We’ll be giving each of the children one of the hospice’s very cute animal pen pals and we would be very grateful for a suggested donation of £1 from parents for these.	
Tuesday 2 May	Reception Class Assembly	
Christian Aid Week – 14 to 20 May 2017		
Monday 8 May	Class Photographs - Tynephoto	
Tuesday 9 May	Year 1 Class Assembly	
Wednesday 10 May (afternoon)	Y3 walk to Corbridge Roman Site to see Cavalry Exhibition	
Tuesday 23 May	Year 3 Class Assembly	
Wednesday 24-Friday 26 May	Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside	
Wednesday 24 May	Movie Night – school fundraiser	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 26 May for half term and reopens on Monday 5 June.		
Tuesday 6 June	Year 4 Class Assembly	
Wednesday 14 June	6.00pm - Welcome meeting for parents of children due to join Nursery in September 2017	
Wednesday 14 June	Y3 – Visit to Roman Army Museum and Vindolanda	
Wednesday 14 June	Year 2 Class Assembly (afternoon)	
Wednesday 21 June	6.00pm – Welcome meeting for parents of children due to join Reception in September 2017	
Wednesday 21 June	Year 4 Leavers’ Service at Newcastle Cathedral	
Saturday 1 July	Summer fete	
Tuesday 4 July	Nursery closed due to Transfer Day	
Tuesday 4 July	Transfer Day - Y4 visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher.	
Friday 7 July	Corbridge has got Talent – Family Night! – school fundraiser	
Monday 17 July	Sports’ Day (afternoon)	
Tuesday 18 July	Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning	
Wednesday 19 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 which will be issued on 14 July.	
Thursday 20 July	Year 4 Leavers’ Concert	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 21 July 2017 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 5 September.		

Year 3 Monday swimming dates for the second half of the spring term 2017

13 March	27 March - water safety week – the children will need shorts and a t-shirt in addition to their usual swimming costumes.
20 March	3 April

Monday swimming dates for the summer term 2017

24 April	8 May	5 June	3 July
	15 May	12 June	
	22 May	19 June	





Year 4 – Fellside Payment Schedule – as detailed in the letter sent out payment can be made in full or in instalments as detailed below		
Option 1	£160 – payment in full to be received by Monday 12 December 2016	
Option 2	Payment in 4 instalments	
	Amount	Due by
	£40.00	Monday 12 December 2016
	£40.00	Monday 6 February 2017
	£40.00	Monday 6 March 2017
	£40.00	Monday 3 April 2017

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This week's School 360 highest house point scorers are printed below.

POSITION	HOUSE NAME	POINTS
1	 Green	183
2	 Orange	165
3	 Blue	150
4	 Yellow	147

Well done to some Year 1 and 2 pupils topping the leader board this week.

 1st 18 POINTS	 Fred Irwin	 Dylan O'Hara		
 2nd 17 POINTS	 Alice Cubbage	 Robbie Mitchell	 Amelia Orr	
 3rd 16 POINTS	 Michael Beavers	 Anya de Gheldere	 Rachel Jackson	 Lucas Penny

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