



**CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL**  
**Newsletter: Friday 31 January 2025**

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week in school this week and, thankfully, we weathered the storm!

Our four-legged staff member, Ziggy, settled back into his role well and met many of the children in the SLT office. They also joined him for walks around the grounds. Ziggy will be working with children who may need a period of calm during the school day, as well as hearing a few readers. He loves cuddles and can't wait to get to know all of the children better!

On Friday we held our annual Rainbow Day, where we celebrate equality, diversity and inclusion. Everyone agreed it was such a magical day. Seeing the children come together on the playground really did encapsulate the wonder of a rainbow: we are all individually amazing but together we make something extraordinary!



This year we explored gender stereotypes and mental health and wellbeing. Very simply, a gender stereotype is a generalised view or preconception about attributes or characteristics, or the roles that are or ought to be possessed by, or performed by, women and men. The children across school investigated stereotypes by looking at toys and job roles, and evaluating whether they are for girls, boys or both. Our older children investigated further by looking at books, sports and adverts to see whether these stereotypes were reinforced. All of the children agreed that toys, jobs and hobbies are for everyone, regardless of their gender!

Throughout the day, the children took part in different activities and workshops to help them better understand the theme. The Be You team came to lead assemblies across school and workshops with our KS2 children. There were sessions on wellbeing, mindfulness and the Zones of Regulation, as well as friendship-based activities. The children also played 'feelings bingo' and thought about all of the things that make them happy.

Finally, as if that wasn't enough, we also held the Great Rainbow Bake Off! As always, we were blown away by the cakes and biscuits made by the children and the standard of decoration. Thanks to your generosity, we have raised £196.68 for our school charities, which is going to make such a difference to the lives of those in our local community.

I am so proud of our children for their kindness, openness and empathy. We really are being the best we can be!

*S Hart & E Sanderson*  
Executive Head Teacher & Deputy Head Teacher

**Attendance this week: 94.6%**

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Year 1 with 99.2%	Reception with 96.8%	Year 2 with 93.5%



### School Dinners

Week beginning Monday 3 February 2025 for Spring Term, will be Week 2 of our [menu](#)

### Fundraising Update

We are currently raising money to upgrade our laptops in school. If you are able to donate towards this worthy cause, please follow the link to our Go Fund Me organised by our PTA: <https://gofund.me/1a59f40a>

### Additional Information & Reminders

- **Heritage Talk by David Waugh at St Andrew's Church, Corbridge on Wednesday 19 February 2025 at 7pm**

Please see the attached poster for more information.

**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
<b><u>February 2025</u></b>		
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th	Children's Mental Health Week	
Friday 7th	Year 3 - Inspire workshop	Parentmail form issued
Friday 7th	Reception visit to St Andrew's Church learning about Baptism (PM)	
Friday 7th	Reading Cafe - Year 2 @ 2.30pm	More information to follow
Friday 7th	Football Festival with Mr Thompson 3:30pm at QEHS *Re-arranged from 24 January	
Monday 10th - Thursday 20th	STEM Fortnight	
Tuesday 11th	Safer Internet Day	

Thursday 13th February	KS1 - Federation Sports Event - Basketball @ BFS (PM)	More information to follow
Friday 14th	Corbridge Larder: Village Bake-Off Event	Parentmail to follow
Friday 14th	<b>Valentine's Special Lunch</b> Menu chosen by Year 1: hot dogs or pizza, curly fries, spaghetti hoops and sweetcorn, and assorted doughnuts for dessert plus juice. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As this is a special event, this is a treat meal chosen by the children and not part of our normal, healthy menu.</li> <li>The salad bar is also available, as well as fresh fruit, and water</li> </ul>	Invitation by Parentmail Form) sent to packed lunch children
Monday 17th	Professor Brainstorm Workshop	More information to follow
Thursday 20th	STEM Open Day (Years 1-4) at 2.30pm (Nursery & Reception) at 3.00pm	More information to follow
Thursday 20th	Last Day of Spring Term 1 Break up for February half term	
Friday 21st	Teacher Training Day <i>*school closed to children</i>	
Saturday 22nd	Silent Disco	POSTPONED
<b><u>March 2025</u></b>		
Monday 3rd	School Re-Opens for Spring Term 2	
Wednesday 5th	Year 4 - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow
Thursday 6th	World Book Day	More information to follow
Wednesday 12th	Year 3 - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow
Wednesday 19th	Year 2 - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow
Tuesday 25th	KS2 - Federation Sports Event - Football @ CFS (PM)	More information to follow
Wednesday 26th	Year 1 - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow

<b><u>April 2025</u></b>		
Tuesday 1st	Spring Music Concert at 1.30pm (choir, Nursery, Reception, Year 2 ukulele and children who have instrument tuition in school)	More information to follow
Wednesday 2nd	Reception - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow
Monday 7th	Year 3: Presentation from Peter Nutsford	More information to follow
Wednesday 9th	Nursery - Bring a Parent to Lunch	More information to follow
Friday 11th	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church at 1.30pm.	More information to follow
Friday 11th	Last Day of Spring Term 2 Break up for Easter holidays	
Monday 28th	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 1	
<b><u>May 2025</u></b>		
Monday 5th	Bank Holiday	
Friday 9th	Yr4 Quad Kids Athletics @ CMS (PM)	More information to follow
Monday 12th	Year 4 Residential Meeting @ 2.45pm	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	Last Day of Summer Term 1 Break up for May half term	
<b><u>June 2025</u></b>		
Monday 2nd	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 2	
Wednesday 11th	Year 4 Visit to Beamish	More information to follow
Wednesday 18th	Year 4: Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral	More information to follow

Friday 20th June	Sounds of 70s Big Gig (Whole school dress up day)	More information to follow
Tuesday 24th	KS1 & KS2 - Federation Sports Event - Cricket @ Corbridge Cricket Club	More information to follow
<b><u>July 2025</u></b>		
Tuesday 8th	Transfer day	
Friday 11th	Yr4 Multi Sports Skills Festival @ CMS (PM)	More information to follow
Friday 18th	Last Day of Summer Term 2 Break up for Summer holidays <b>School Closes at 1:30pm</b>	
<b>September 2025</b>		
Tuesday 2nd	School Re-Opens for Autumn Term 1	