

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Friday 27 May 2016

It's been another busy and exciting half term at Corbridge First School. I can't believe we only have one more half term before we break up for the long summer holidays. I've watched the children develop and progress during the year and it's great to see them growing in confidence through their learning experiences.

Thank you to all the Year 1 family members who came in to school on Tuesday to join the children for their special learning session. The children really enjoyed sharing their learning and fruit salads with you! These sessions have proved very popular and we will definitely run them again next year. Your positive feedback is much appreciated.

Both the Year 3 and Year 4 assemblies were really well attended this week. The children were brilliant and it's a great opportunity to let them take centre stage. We look forward to welcoming you to the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 assemblies towards the end of June.

I hope the children have a well-deserved rest over the half term and you enjoy your time as a family. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 6 June.

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



Photography in school – please remember that photographs taken at school events e.g. class assemblies, shows, sports day etc must not be shared on any social media site without the consent of parents of children who are pictured. Please only use photographs taken in these circumstances for your own special memories.

Year 4 Residential Visit - As we write, we are looking forward to welcoming back our Year 4 children this afternoon from their activity filled adventure at Fellside. I am sure the Year 4 parents and carers will be looking forward to hearing all their stories as much as I am. Hopefully there will also be some good photographs that we can share on our website.

School Meals – second half of summer term (Monday 6 June to Tuesday 19 July) – the cost of school meals for the second half of the summer term is detailed below. Please check your child's book bag for a note of any credits/debits on your child's school meals account.

Nursery	£67.20 (this includes lunch on 5 July when the children will spend the morning with their Reception class.
Year 3	£65.10 (the children will be out of school on a visit during the second half of the summer term – details to follow).
Year 4	£60.90 (the children will be out of school on 3 days during the second half of the summer term – including transfer day on 5 July – further information to follow re other visits/activities)

Fathers' Day messages – the Hexham Courant is opening its pages so that every child can have their father's day message printed for their dad to see. The messages will be printed in the issue due out on Friday 10 June. The message will appear with just the children's first name and initial of their surname if there are two or more children in the same class with the same forename.

Out and About – during the second half of the summer term we are planning a wide variety of visits – look out for more information being sent out after half term.

Watching and waiting continued – The Reception children were thrilled on Tuesday when they saw the first butterflies emerge from the chrysalides. The children's enthusiasm during the project has been amazing. They have really enjoyed learning about the caterpillar's journey and have watched with delight as they have set the butterflies free. The Year 4 children have continued to grow and measure their rocket seeds...the RHS will be revealing soon which colour seed pack contained the space seeds.

Quid A Kid Lunchtime Football Club – if your child has signed up for this club, please make sure they have their kit with them on Tuesday and Wednesdays from and including Tuesday 7 June. **Girls' Football Club** – Friday after school – if your child has signed up for this club, it starts on Friday 10 June.

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

Corbridge Church of England First School – Diary Dates

Diary Dates	Event	Notes
Monday 13 June	Schools' Library Service – story telling session (Nursery to Year 4)	
13-17 June	British Nutrition Foundation – Healthy Eating Week – we will be promoting healthy eating and drinking, being active, food provenance and cooking in school.	
Wednesday 15 June	Teddy Bears' Picnic lunch – weather permitting, Mrs Dobson will be providing the children with a special 'picnic' themed lunch. Children are welcome to bring along their teddy bear or other soft toy to join them at the picnic. Please ensure that teddy is wearing a secure tag with your child's name so that they don't get lost.	
Wednesday 15 June	6.00pm - Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Nursery in September 2016	
Wednesday 22 June	Year 4 Leavers' Service – Newcastle Cathedral – information will be sent out	
Wednesday 22 June	6.00pm – Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Reception class in September 2016	
Tuesday 28 June	Reception Class Assembly – 9.10am – please enter via the school office	
Wednesday 29 June	Year 1 Class Assembly – 9.10am – please enter via the school office	
Wednesday 29 June	Year 2 Class Assembly – 2.30pm – please enter via the school office	
Friday 1 July	Year 4 – Hexham Partnership Festival – Wentworth Leisure Centre	
Saturday 2 July	School Summer Fair	
Tuesday 5 July	Transfer Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 4 children visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher • Nursery is closed on 5 July as children due to start nursery in September 2016 will be having their visit day. Children due to join our Reception class will be having their welcome day and meeting their teacher. • If your child is joining our Reception class in September, please bring them to the school playground for 9.15am. Their welcome visit runs from 9.15am to 12 noon. They will have their lunch in school as usual that day. 	
Tuesday 12 July	Sports Day will take place at 1.30pm on 12 July (weather permitting). The playground gate will be opened at 1.25pm for parents to join us on the field. There will be a carousel of activities to allow all the children to compete as part of a team, followed by an individual sprint race to allow individuals to shine. Certificates will be awarded to recognise some individual achievements which will be displayed on the school website.	
Wednesday 13 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 at the beginning of week commencing 11 July.	
Friday 15 July	Year 4 Leavers' Concert – 9.15am	
School closes at 3.00pm on Tuesday 19 July 2016 for the summer break. School re-opens on Tuesday 6 September 2016.		

Year 3 swimming dates - summer term 2016 – Mondays – 10 lessons

11 April	9 May	6 June	4 July
18 April	16 May	13 June	
25 April	23 May	20 June	

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

