

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 15 November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

What a busy week we have had full of fun and learning! We started the week with anti-bullying workshops and the children all expressed their understanding that bullying is not accepted in our school. The sessions were fun and interactive and enjoyed by all.

Odd Sock Day on Tuesday reminded us to celebrate our differences, and we have finished the week with a fantastic fundraising effort for Children in Need. Thank you so much for your support – especially as our letter was later than normal this year due to the inspections, disco, family lunches and so many other exciting things to organise. We appreciate your understanding and positivity in supporting us at our busiest times.

There has been a delay in receiving our SIAMs report but I have been assured from Paul Rickeard, the Diocesan Director of Education, it should be on its way in the next couple of weeks, so news will be shared as soon as we have the published report.

The Year 3 and Year 4 children enjoyed an inspiring author visit this morning and we were really pleased to welcome children from Broomhaugh and Wark to enjoy this experience with us. Many thanks to the author, Sibeal Pounder, and Tamzin Munro from Forum Books for working with Mrs Gray and making this possible!

Thank you to all the families who joined us for lunch this week, and last week – we really value your feedback and look forward to welcoming the other class families in the coming weeks.

Our Script from the Christmas performance arrived this week and we are very much looking forward to presenting this year's KS1/2 show of..... The INN-Spectors!

Have a lovely weekend.

*J. Ainsley*

**S Gray**

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



**School Dinners:**

Week beginning Monday 18 November 2019 will be Week 3 of our menus.

## Fundraising

Odd Socks Day raised £98.20 and the Disco raised £286.00. This money enabled us to enjoy the anti-bullying workshops delivered by Big Foot this week. The interactive specialist led workshops helped us teach the children to reflect on words and actions, and led to lots of thoughtful discussions, along with lots of good fun. Thank you all for your support!

## Charity Work

We were able to donate £130.55 for the Poppy appeal this year, so once again we thank you for your support.



We received a cheque from easyfundraising this week for £39.74 which will go towards prizes for the children's Christmas parties. Click the logo above to see a [short video](#) about how it works... and please sign up soon! Here is our [page link](#) too.



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Don't forget to visit the School Website: [www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk)



Please remember we have an open door policy and we encourage you to make an appointment to call in and speak with us if you have any queries, worries or indeed success stories to share.

**OPEN MORNING  
FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN DUE TO START NURSERY OR RECEPTION CLASSES  
IN SEPTEMBER 2020**

**Thursday 28 November 2019 from 9:30am – 10:15am**

*Diary dates are printed below and new dates will be added in red so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group.*

**Corbridge Church of England First School – Diary Dates 2019-2020**

Date	Event	Notes
Wednesday 20 November	Road Safety Week -EYFS Road Safety "Hat Day"	Parentmail has been issued.
Wednesday 20 November	Into Film Festival – YEAR 1 and 2 Cinema Visit (am)	Letter has been issued.
Wednesday 20 November	Year 3 parents/carers invited to join us for lunch	Letter has been issued.
Friday 22 November	Road Safety Week EYFS Road Safety – Local Walk	Parentmail has been issued.
Wednesday 27 November	Stay & Play – EYFS - Decorations Day (AM)	Letter has been issued.
Wednesday 27 November	Year 1 parents/carers invited to join us for lunch	Letter has been issued.
Thursday 28 November	Open Morning for Reception and Nursery 2020	Parentmail has been issued.
Friday 29 November	Reception Heights & Weights	Parentmail has been sent.
Wednesday 4 December	Reception parents/carers invited to join us for lunch	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 4 December	Christmas Movie Night Fundraiser – Years 1 – 4	Further information to follow.
Friday 6 December	Christingle House Groups School Event	In School Event
Monday 9 December	EYFS trip to Gibside	Further information to follow Please note children will not be back to school until 3.45pm
Tuesday 10 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Show dress rehearsal	1.30pm
Wednesday 11 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Show	There will be two shows – one at 1.30pm and a second at 6.00pm.
Thursday 12 December	Reception and Nursery – Nativity Dress rehearsal	9.15am

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Friday 13 December	Reception and Nursery - Nativity	9:15am
Friday 13 December	EYFS Christmas Movie Afternoon Booking only necessary for nursery children who do not normally attend if they wish to join in.	1-3pm Further information to follow.
Tuesday 17 December	Reception & Nursery Christmas Party (am)	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 17 December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 18 December	Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
Thursday 19 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser
Friday 20 December	Christmas Pantomime Big Foot - Rapunzel	No cost to families – paid via fundraising
Friday 20 December	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30pm - all welcome Children can be taken home at the end of the service
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 20 December 2019 for the Christmas break. School will reopen for children on Tuesday 7 January 2020.		