

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to start off this week's newsletter with the very exciting news of Frances, one of our Year 4 pupils, winning the Scottish and Borders regional heat of the 'Sustainability in Schools' art competition run by JD Pipes Limited. Frances has won £500 for our school and next month will compete against 1,000 UK pupils for an overall £1,500 prize toward a sustainability project at their school. Frances was also presented with a £20 high street gift voucher. All of the Year 3 and Year 4 children who took part in the competition were also given backpacks. Have a look at our website for further information about the competition and to see photographs of Frances being presented with her prizes [Sustainability in Schools competition](#) I am sure everyone will join me in congratulating Frances on this fantastic achievement!

Only a week to go before half term...where does the time go to!

J. Ainsley

Miss J Ainsley
Head Teacher



Year 4 Residential Visit - Fellside – 24-26 May – I know there are always a few nerves in the lead up to the visit ... but everyone comes back excited, happy and tired ... especially the staff. Who knows what the weather will be – it is Cumbria, so remember to pack sun lotion and warm clothing! And finally to everyone in Year 4 – have a brilliant time.

Class Photograph Proofs - We have now received the proofs from our recent class photographs. Your child has a copy home with them today. The deadline for orders is Tuesday 6 June 2017.

Reception will visit the school allotment on Monday 22 May for a picnic. The visit links to their curriculum topic of mini-beasts and gardens. We're hoping for fair weather for our visit....coats/sun hats will be required depending on the weather. If it is sunny please make sure your child has sun cream applied before coming to school.

Year 3 Class Assembly – Tuesday 23 May 2017 – 9.15am - we are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to the assembly. Please come into school through the main door by the office.

Movie Night – Wednesday 24 May – 3.00-5.00pm (Years 1-3) – We will be showing 'The Never Ending Story'. If your child would like to attend please return the permission slip and your payment of £3.50 to us by the morning of Tuesday 23 May.

Movie Afternoon – Wednesday 24 May (Reception and Nursery) – As part of their 'From Africa' topic of work this term, we are holding a fundraiser movie afternoon for Reception and Nursery. We will be showing the film Madagascar. If your child is in Nursery and would like to attend please return the permission slip and your payment of £3.50. We will be providing drinks and snacks and request a contribution of £1 from Reception parents for this activity.

Happy Shoesday and fundraising for Christian Aid and Living Streets – we saw lots of happy shoes in school on Tuesday! Thank you to everyone who made a donation – we raised a total of £128 which will be split between the two charities.



Sunshine and Showers - The weather can be unpredictable even though it is officially summer! Please ensure that your child is prepared for all weathers but particularly if the weather is warm - sun lotion applied before school and a sun hat to wear at break and lunchtimes.

Out and About during the summer term – we have a number of visits planned during the summer term. We seek to ensure that every pupil has access to a wide range of educational experiences and we believe these educational visits offer immensely enjoyable and memorable experiences for the children. We do need to request parents contribute towards the cost of such visits and visits cannot go ahead if insufficient contributions are received. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns about making a contribution to a visit your child is participating in.

Don't forget it's the Summer Fair on Saturday 24 June 2017 – 12 noon to 2.00pm

If you or anyone you know would like to take a stall at the fete please contact the office on 01434 632534 or email admin@corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk

Plant Stall Donations – the children have been sowing and potting ready for the summer fete plant stall. We would be very grateful for any donations parents/carers can make for our plant stall....we'll ask for contributions to be brought to school on Friday 23 June or on the morning of the fete.

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
Monday 22 May 2017	Reception Class visit to allotment and picnic	
Tuesday 23 May	Year 3 Class Assembly – 9.15am	
Wednesday 24-Friday 26 May	Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside	
Wednesday 24 May	Movie Afternoon – Reception and Nursery	
Wednesday 24 May	Movie Night for Years 1 – 3 – school fundraiser	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 26 May for half term and reopens on Monday 5 June.		
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 (now 9.15am)	
Wednesday 21 June	Nursery and Reception – Visit to Kirkley Hall Zoo – full day visit – more information to follow after half term	
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	
Thursday 22 June	Dental Survey – children aged 5 in Reception/Year 1 – consent forms will be sent out	
Saturday 24 June	Summer fete	
Tuesday 27 June	Year 2 visit to Gibside – details to be confirmed	
Thursday 29 June	Y4 – Annual Partnership Festival – Wentworth Leisure Centre – rugby based games, 10 pin bowling, quad kids athletics, Zumba exercise – organised by Queen Elizabeth High School – more information to follow nearer the time	
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 (afternoon)	Years 1 and 2 – Hey Piggy Piggy – show at QEHS for KS1 children about money, materials and warm homes, with animation, live music and action (commissioned and funded by the National Energy Action charity).	
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.		

Monday swimming lesson dates for the summer term 2017

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

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017 ... please donate your vouchers to us ...the deadline for vouchers to be sent in to us is Friday 26 May!





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

★★★ **TOP HOUSE** ★★★



1st

200 POINTS



Yellow



2nd

196 POINTS



Orange



3rd

189 POINTS



Green



Blue

