

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 15 March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fun filled day the children have had for Comic Relief today. We have raised over £300 (so far) from the sale of red noses, and donations for non-uniform day. Thank you for your contributions. Bags continue to arrive for 'Bags to School' and School Council will be researching new playground toys soon - to purchase with the funds raised following the collection on 28 March 2019.

This week the children and family members from Class Three had a very interactive and "messy" clay workshop which was enjoyed by all. Thank you for all your great feedback! Check out the gallery on our website [here!](#) They finished their morning sharing the Sing Up song... "One Moment, One People" which we have been learning and performed as a school this week to celebrate National Sing Up Day, which was on Wednesday. Next week we welcome Year Four family members to join in with the textile topic. Information for the Early Years 'Stay and Play' will be shared soon.

This week we received our Spring Term SIP report following the visit made in February. Once again we have external verification of the strengths in our school including the strength in teaching and learning:

"Lesson observations carried out in the autumn term have shown that teaching and learning is consistently good with an increasing amount of outstanding practice being seen."

"Teachers use effective planning to help pupils learn well. Time in lessons is used productively. Pupils focus well on their learning because teachers reinforce expectations for conduct and set clear tasks that challenge pupils."

Thanks once again to all the staff for their hard work and dedication!

Have a lovely weekend,

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



School Dinners: Week beginning 18 March 2019 will be Week 1 of [our menu](#).

The new Summer Term menu is currently being balanced and will begin from Tuesday 23 April 2019.

Free School Meals

If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, you can apply for this benefit online www.northumberland.gov.uk/fsm, over the telephone on FSM 01670 623592 or by completing a paper application form which is available from our school office or FSM office, Wansbeck Square, Ashington, NE63 9XL or email FSM@northumberland.gov.uk. To be eligible for FSM you need to be in one of the following categories:

To be eligible for help you need to be in one of the following categories:

- Receive Income Support (IS) or Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Receive Income Related Employment Allowance (IREA).
- Have an entitlement to Child Tax Credit (CTC), but not Working Tax Credit (WTC) and the family's annual income (as assessed by the Inland Revenue) is not more than £16,190
- Receive support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Receive the guarantee credit element of Pension Credit.

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If your child is currently in Reception Class, Year 1 or Year 2 and you are eligible, we ask that you still register for this entitlement as it will bring additional funding into school to support your child.

Diary dates are printed on the next pages.....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 2018-2019

Wednesday 20 March	YEAR FOUR Parent Lesson in school Carousel of activities (am)	Letters have now been issued
Thursday 28 March	Bags to School Collection	Raising funds to replenish our playground toys. Bags have been issued
Thursday 4 April	EYFS Stay and Play (am)	Further information to follow
Thursday 4 April	Year 3 Visit to the Hatton Gallery and the Great North Museum.	Letters have now been issued
Friday 5 April	SPECIAL LUNCH – Easter Lunch	Letters have now been issued.
Friday 5 April TBC	Easter Celebration 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 5 April for the Easter break and reopens on Tuesday 23 April.		
Friday 3 May	Year 1 Class Assembly	2:30pm
Thursday 25 April	Year 3 Workshop in School – Warburtons	There will be no charge to parents for this event.
Tuesday 30 April	Year 4 Parent Meeting – Fellside 2:40 – 3pm	Prior to the meeting final paperwork will be issued to be returned on this day.
Monday 6 May – school closed for Bank Holiday		
Friday 10 May	Year 3 Class Assembly	2:30pm
Week beginning 13 May	Year 2 SATs Assessment Week	Further information to follow
Week beginning 13 May	Christian Aid Week	
Friday 17 May	SPECIAL LUNCH Year 2 lunch Choice	Further information to follow
Wed 22 – Fri 24 May	Year Four Residential - Fellside	Further information to follow
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 24 May for half term and reopens on Monday 3 June.		
Week beginning 10 June	Year 1 Phonics Assessment Week	Further information to follow
Friday 14 June	SPECIAL LUNCH Year 1 lunch Choice	Further information to follow
Friday 14 June	Year 2 Class Assembly	2:30pm
Friday 21 June	Reception Class Assembly	2:30pm
Saturday 22 June	Summer Fete	11am - 2pm
Friday 28 June	SPECIAL LUNCH Reception lunch Choice	Further information to follow
Friday 28 June	Pupil Voice Conference Hexham Partnership of Schools event	4 pupils from Year 4 will represent school and take part in this workshop day.
MONDAY 8 JULY	TRANSFER DAY	Y4 children will attend their middle school. Other children spend the day in the next class.
Wednesday 10 July	SPECIAL LUNCH Teddy Bear's Picnic	Further information to follow
Monday 15 July	Sports' Day (afternoon)	
Tuesday 16 July	Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning	

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Wednesday 17 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 Friday 12 July.	
Thursday 18 July	Year 4 Leavers’ Concert	
Friday 19 July	SPECIAL LUNCH Year 4 lunch Choice	Further information to follow
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 19 July for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 3 September 2019.		

Year 3 swimming dates –Spring Term 2019 – Wednesdays – 12 lessons

9,16,23 and 30 Jan	6, 13 and 27 February	6, 13, 20 and 27 March	3 April
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