

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 10 January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back!

I am delighted to start this week's newsletter by officially welcoming Mr. Carr and Ms Phillipson to the team. They have both had a great first week in school and I have shared a staffing update below for your information.

It has been lovely to welcome the children back in to school this week and to hear all about their lovely holidays. We have started our term with the theme of happiness and we have been sharing a daily happiness calendar with the children. For this weekend, the challenge for Saturday is 'to have a friendly chat with someone' and for Sunday is to 'turn off all tech 2 hours before bedtime'.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you into school over this term to join the children in special learning sessions. These sessions are always very popular and the children very much enjoy sharing school activities with you and I hope you will be able to come along. Don't forget to add all the new dates we have issued this week to your diaries and calendars.

Mrs Burton has collected all the entries for the Advent Reading Challenge this week, so look out for certificates and an announcement of our winner coming soon!
Have a lovely weekend!

J. Ainsley S Gray
Executive Head Teacher
Executive Deputy Head Teacher



School Dinners: Week beginning Monday 13 January 2020 will be Week 3 of our [menu](#).

Staffing update:

Year Four: Mr Carr supported by Mrs Orrick

Year Three: Ms Baxter supported by Ms Phillipson

Year Two: Ms Florek supported by Mrs Forsyth and Mrs Geddes

Year One: Ms Storey and Ms Jewitt supported by Ms Clark

EYFS: Mrs Burton and Mrs Hutchinson supported by Mrs Morphet, Mrs Rutherford and Mrs Forsyth

Fundraising Efforts

The sale of the Christmas DVDs raised £197.50 and the raffle of the fantastic Christmas cakes created and donated by Kay Wharton Hall raised £149.00. The 5 hamper raffles raised a fantastic total of £619.00 and we have received £465.43 commission from the Christmas card company sales.

We will let you know the plans for the funds as decisions are made. The money is so valuable to us in school to ensure the children get the best experiences and resources, and we thank you for all your support!

Payment for School Meals (Nursery/Years 3 and 4) — If you have not already made a payment for this half term's school meals, could I please ask you to do so on Monday 13 January. Details of the cost of school meals this half term have been sent on parentmail. Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

The deadline for applications for Reception class places is 15 January 2020. All parents who require a Reception class place for their child in September 2020 must make an application online by this date. Please let us know if we can help.

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Are your contact details up to date? Please remember to let us know about any changes to your contact details – change of address, home, mobile or work phone numbers etc.

Year 3 swimming dates –Spring Term 2020 – Wednesdays

15, 22 and 29 January	5, 12 and 26 February	4, 11, 18 and 25 March	1 April
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The diary is on the following 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 Spring/Summer Term 2020

Monday 3 February	Sign2sing week	
Monday 10 February	Parent Consultation Week	Further information to follow.
Monday 10 February	Internet Safety Day - Bigfoot Workshops	No cost to children.
Thursday 13 February	Special Lunch – Valentine's Day	Further information to follow.
Friday 14 February	SCHOOL CLOSED	Teacher Training Day
School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 13 February for half term and reopens on Monday 24 February.		
Monday 24 February	Fairtrade fortnight	
Tuesday 3 March	Year 2 Family Learning Session in School 1 family member to attend	Morning Session Further information to follow.
Wednesday 4 March	Year 1 Family Learning Session in School 1 family member to attend	Morning Session Further information to follow.
Thursday 5 March	World Book Day	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 10 March	Year 3 Family Learning Session in School 1 family member to attend	Morning Session Further information to follow.
Friday 13 March	Sport Relief	Charity fundraiser, further information to follow.
Friday 20 March - 13 April	Great Big School Clean	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 31 March	Spring Stay & Play – EYFS (am) 1 family member to attend	Further information to follow.
Friday 3 April	SPECIAL LUNCH – Easter Lunch	Further information to follow
Friday 3 April	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 3 April for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 20 April.		
Thursday 30 April	Year 4 Family Learning Session in School 1 family member to attend	Morning Session Further information to follow.
Friday 8 May	SCHOOL CLOSED	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 22 May	Year 1 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 22 May for Summer half term reopens on Monday 1 June.		
Friday 12 June	Year 2 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 19 June	Reception Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 26 June	Year 3 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 14 July	Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning 9:15am	Further information to follow.
Thursday 16 July	Year Four Leavers Show (morning)	Further information to follow.

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