

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of week four in school, I am pleased to say the children are settling in and learning to manage the current 'new normal' in school well.

This week the children have been clearly reminded of our **Calm School Code** to:

**Listen Carefully  
Act Kindly  
Speak Nicely  
and  
Move Calmly**

We are dedicated to ensuring the children are supported in these different times and all staff are committed to help them live out the school vision to make a difference in the world and being the best we can be.

School council elections are underway and the school website will be updated in the coming weeks to share with you their news over this year. We will soon be looking to elect the Eco Council who will once again focus on promoting and raising the profile of achieving our Global Goals. With the arrival of October next week we will be thinking about "walk to school month" so look out for new dates in the diary to mark events taking place.

We now have all consensual information updated for the sharing of pupil images so we will begin "tweeting" again to share with you fun learning and proud moments for our school. If you do not yet follow us, then you can [follow the link here!](#)

Have a lovely weekend.

*J Ainsley & S Gray*

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



**School Dinners:** Week beginning Monday 28 September 2020 will be Week 1 of our [menu](#).

## Coronavirus Update

To ensure we are adhering to all safety advice and expectations we have increased additional measures from next week by introducing adult face coverings.

**From Monday 28 September 2020 we require all adults to wear face coverings during drop off and collection of children – Thank you for your co-operation.**



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



## Remote Learning

We have been asked to produce and share our school plans in the event of whole school closures in relation to how we can provide remote learning if it was needed long term. We have taken into account the feedback from families over the lockdown and our long term strategy for remote learning will be shared soon. Staff training is underway and we are doing all we can to ensure we are fully prepared if a bubble needs to close, or, in the worst case, schools are told once again to close – which we very, very much hope will be avoided by all the safety measure we are upholding.

## Public Health England (PHE)

We are continuing to take heed of all advice sent via Public Health England, the Government, Diocese and Council. Please continue to inform us if there are any changes in your circumstances, particularly in this new period of local lockdown. The following advice from the NHS is linked below: NHS Test and Trace: if you've been in contact with a person who has coronavirus (COVID-19), please follow the link below for advice.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/nhs-test-and-trace-if-youve-been-in-contact-with-a-person-who-has-coronavirus/>

## Attendance and Punctuality

We appreciate the efforts you make to get the children in school on time as this really helps ensure they can get the most out of their day and off to a positive start. As I walk through classes as early as 9am, it is great to see children are settled and their learning has begun. The children's punctuality and readiness for learning are outstanding, and we wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support with this.

## Diary Dates:

Date	Event	Notes
Monday 28 September	<b>INTRODUCTION OF ADULT FACE COVERINGS FOR COLLECTION AND DROP OFF</b>	We recognise some people will have medical reasons for not using a face covering, and we ask that all adults play their own part without commenting on the behaviour of others.
Monday 28 September	Healthy Eating Week	Parentmail Issued on 23/09/20
Thursday 1 October	Walk to School Month	More information to follow
Wednesday 21 October	School Photographs: individual & sibling	
Thursday 22 October	Break Up for Half Term	
Friday 23 October	Teacher Training Day	School closed to children
Saturday 31 October	Year 4: Deadline for Middle School applications through NCC Admissions Portal	Parentmail Issued to Year 4 Parents/Carers
Monday 2 November	School Reassembles	
Wednesday 4 November	Engineering Day	More information to follow
Friday 13 November	World Kindness Day	More information to follow
Monday 16 November	Anti-Bullying Week	More information to follow
Friday 18 December	Break up for Christmas Holidays	
Monday 4 January 2021	Teacher Training Day	School closed to children
Tuesday 5 January 2021	School Reassembles	