

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

What another lovely week in school!

We have all enjoyed seeing the children perform and entertain us as they shared the Christmas story this week. Thank you for all your support and positive feedback. I extend a huge thank you to all the staff who helped the children to shine. Next week the children have their Christmas parties to look forward to along with a delicious Christmas lunch. All the staff work so hard to make all these events so successful and we are grateful for each and every one of them!

Our Rock-Pop-Tastic singers will be out in the community next week singing to bring some Christmas cheer. Many thanks to Mrs Gray, who has been running the group on a lunchtime, and cannot wait to take them out to perform.

Next week we welcome the pantomime 'Rapunzel' to school. We hope the children will love the show! We have begun singing our Christmas carols in school but will need your help to sing along with us on Friday 20 December, at the church! Our family service at St. Andrew's will start at 1:30pm and we hope you can come along and join us. We are looking forward to this special event as it is always a lovely way to end our Autumn term. There are two amazing cakes being raffled on Friday, which have been baked and donated by Matthew and Dan's mum at £1.00 per strip. I will definitely be buying tickets for this raffle, and whoever is lucky enough to win them are in for a treat!

J. Ainsley

S Gray

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



School Dinners: Week beginning Monday 16 December 2019 will be Week 1 of our menu.

The Christmas Post Box

The last posting day for children's Christmas cards is Tuesday 17 December. Cards will be delivered to the classes on Tuesday 17 and Wednesday 18 December. After this date we would ask that children hand out cards either before or after school in the playground.

Infection Control and Illness

Coughs, colds and sickness are often increased at this time of year but in Northumberland there have been schools closed due to illness, and infection control is a concern. We are working hard to ensure the children are aware of hygiene practices so we can try and ensure we keep the spread of bugs to a minimum. We welcome your support with this. Attendance in school is obviously very important, but please ensure your child is kept off school if they are not well enough to attend or have suffered any sickness or diarrhoea. We ask that you inform us of any absence by phoning the office. Many thanks for your support.



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Don't forget to visit the School Website: 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.



Easy Fundraising

In the last 30 days your cause has raised **£21.38** and recruited **1 new supporter**. Donations will be made from the company but come at **no additional cost to you** at all.

Here is our [page link](#).

NO MORE SWIMMING LESSONS UNTIL WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY 2020

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
Tuesday 17 December	Reception & Nursery Christmas Party (am)	Parentmail has been issued.
Tuesday 17 December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party (pm)	Parentmail has been issued.
Wednesday 18 December	Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	Parentmail has been issued.
Thursday 19 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser Christmas Lunch letter only sent to Packed Lunch children.
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.		