



**CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL**  
**Newsletter: Friday 6 December 2024**

Dear Families,

It's been another busy week in school as the children have been working hard to prepare for Christmas. Mrs. Rutherford has made a beautiful Advent display for our worship table to remind us of this very special time in the Church calendar.

Friday was a very special day in school because we made our Christingles. The children learnt all about the symbolism of the different elements and we all came together at the end of the day for a service in school. Advent is a wonderful time where we reflect on the many joys of the year and look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus. The lighting of candles reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world – John 1:5 says, "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." We are thinking of the many people in our community who may need some light in their darkness currently, and we hold them in our prayers as we look at the shining light of the Christingles.

It was also a very special week for our Nursery and Reception children. Not only did they attend our Christingle service, they also took part in a Stay and Play with their grown-ups! Lots of fun was had by all: the children couldn't wait to show off their creations! I hope everyone will have their crafts proudly on display at home. I know it is always a special time at our house when we bring out the decorations our children made at school, and remember such happy events.

I am looking forward to seeing you all next week for our Christmas productions as the children shine on stage!

Have a lovely weekend, everyone!

*S Hart & E Sanderson*

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher

**Attendance this week: 96.5%**

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Year 2 with 99.2%	Year 1 with 98.5%	Year 4 with 97%



**School Dinners**

Week beginning Monday 9 December 2024 for Autumn Term, will be Week 1 of our [menu](#)

## Reminders:

- **Outdoor PE Kit:** Please can all children remember on PE day, a Tuesday, that they need to bring with them an outdoor PE kit (e.g. hoodie/tracksuit bottoms).
- **Raffle Tickets:** Please remember to bring cash with you for raffle tickets which will be available to purchase before each Christmas performance (Monday 9th December for Years 1 & 2, Tuesday 10 December for Nursery & Reception, and Friday 13 December for Years 3 & 4). Raffle tickets will be priced at £1 per strip for a chance to win a hamper, and all monies raised will go into school fundraising.
- **Milk:** The milk form for Spring Term 2025 has been sent out on Parentmail - please note that the deadline for responses is Friday 13 December 2024 if you would like your child to have milk.
- **School Clubs:** Club information for Spring Term 2025 has been sent out on Parentmail - please note that the deadline for responses is Friday 13 December 2024 if you would like to sign your child up for any clubs.

## Additional Information:

- **Freya's Christmas Fundraiser: Little Princess Trust**  
Freya is in Year 4 of Corbridge CE First School, and this Christmas she is cutting her AMAZING hair to donate it to the Little Princess Trust. They provide real hair wigs, free of charge, to children who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment. We appreciate that this is an expensive time of year, but anything you can spare would really help to give confidence back to a child in need. Check out her fundraising page for more details and how to donate! [https://www.justgiving.com/page/freyas-big-hair-cut?utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=page%2Ffreyas-big-hair-cut&utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share](https://www.justgiving.com/page/freyas-big-hair-cut?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Ffreyas-big-hair-cut&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share)



- **Gymnastics Day with Full of Beans – Thursday 2 January 2025**  
Please see the attached flyer for further details and booking.

**The School Diary:** Please remember to check for any new dates each week.

*Dates in red are new dates which have been added*

Date	Event	Notes
<b><u>December 2024</u></b>		
Monday 9	Yr1 & Yr2 – KS 1 Christmas Performance (1.45pm)	Parentmail issued.
Monday 9	Parent Workshop: Zones of Regulation (4:30pm)	Parentmail issued.
Tuesday 10	Nursery & Reception – EYFS Christmas Nativity (1.45pm)	Parentmail issued.
Wednesday 11	EYFS Christmas Movie Afternoon	Parentmail issued.
Wednesday 11	KS1 & KS2 Movie Night 3:5pm - 4:45pm	Parentmail issued.
Thursday 12	School Visit - Queens Hall	Consent and payment issued.
<b>Friday 13</b>	<b>Deadline for Milk form and Clubs form</b>	<b>Parentmail issued</b>
Friday 13	Yr3 & Yr4 – KS2 Christmas Performance (1.45pm)	Parentmail issued.
Monday 16	Yr3 & Yr4 - Christmas Party (PM)	More information to follow
Tuesday 17	Nursery & Reception - Christmas Party (AM)	More information to follow
Tuesday 17	Yr1 & Yr2 - Christmas Party (PM)	More information to follow
Wednesday 18	Christmas Jumper Day	
Wednesday 18	Christmas Lunch	
<b>Friday 20</b>	<b>End of Term Special Lunch</b>	<b>Parentmail Form sent out to packed lunch children</b>
Friday 20	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church (9:30am)	More information to follow
Friday 20	Last Day of Autumn Term 2: Break up for Christmas holidays <b>School Closes at 1:30pm</b>	
<b><u>January 2025</u></b>		
Monday 6	School Re-Opens for Spring Term 1	

Thursday 9 January	Year 3 Visit to Gurudwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha in Newcastle	Consent and payment issued.
<b><u>February 2025</u></b>		
Thursday 13	KS1 - Federation Sports Event - Basketball @ BFS (PM)	More information to follow
Thursday 20	Last Day of Spring Term 1 Break up for February half term	
Friday 21	Teacher Training Day <i>*school closed to children</i>	
<b><u>March 2025</u></b>		
Monday 3	School Re-Opens for Spring Term 2	
Thursday 6	World Book Day	More information to follow
Tuesday 25	KS2 - Federation Sports Event - Football @ CFS (PM)	More information to follow
<b><u>April 2025</u></b>		
Friday 11	Last Day of Spring Term 2 Break up for Easter holidays	
Monday 28	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 1	
<b><u>May 2025</u></b>		
Monday 5	Bank Holiday	
Thursday 22	KS1 - Federation Sports Event - Athletics @ BFS (PM)	More information to follow
Thursday 22 May - Friday 23 May	Year 4 Residential to Dukeshouse Wood	Consent and deposit issued.
Friday 23	Last Day of Summer Term 1 Break up for May half term	
<b><u>June 2025</u></b>		
Monday 2	School Re-Opens for Summer Term 2	

Wednesday 18 June	Year 4: Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral	More information to follow
Tuesday 24 June	KS1 & KS2 - Federation Sports Event - Cricket @ Corbridge Cricket Club	More information to follow
<b><u>July 2025</u></b>		
Friday 18	Last Day of Summer Term 2 Break up for Summer holidays <b>School Closes at 1:30pm</b>	
<b>September 2025</b>		
Tuesday 2	School Re-Opens for Autumn Term 1	