



CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: Friday 14 January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

January is well and truly underway and it has been great seeing the children work together, enjoy their learning and have fun in school this week. I have had visitors to my door this week to read to me, show me their amazing tricky maths, share news of how their grown-ups were proud of them for reasons varying from not giving up when they were tired or work was tricky, to living out our Christian values - for example showing forgiveness, being respectful, truthful or being a good friend.

This term we will work hard to tweet the exciting things happening in school so don't forget to check out our Twitter feed and follow us.

The work of our School and Eco Councils is once again up and running and playground Buddy training will begin soon. We look forward to sharing more news about this for you on next week's newsletter. After a super busy week we hope you can relax, enjoy your weekend and take some time to do something special as a family.

Have a lovely weekend.

J Ainsley & S Hart

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



School Dinners: Week beginning Monday 17 January 2022 will be Week 1 of our [menu](#).

ACADEMIC MENTOR:

I am delighted to let you know we secured funding this year to employ Mrs Carruthers to join our team as an Academic Mentor. It is great to welcome her back as she has worked here at CFS previously, (when she was Miss Beresford!). She has already become a valuable member of our team and your children may have mentioned working with Mrs Carruthers already... they are really enjoying their sessions!

Mrs Carruthers is planning some really bespoke teaching and learning for children by liaising closely with teachers, so they can benefit from some 1 to 1 or small group tutoring this year. We will contact you and let you know if your child is able to be allocated specific time with Mrs Carruthers but if you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch. We are really pleased to have her additional skills in the school team this year.

ADVENT READING CHALLENGE:

We really hope you enjoyed sharing books in December during the Advent Reading Challenge! It was lovely to see the huge range of texts you've enjoyed! All participants have a celebration certificate and the lucky winners of the prize draw were announced today. We will tweet their pictures by the end of today! Reading and sharing texts is a joy we hope the children continue to love as they grow older. We thank you for making time to share texts together.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

All Stars Multi-Sport February Half-Term Camp: This will run from 21 – 23 February from 10am – 3pm and is based in Otterburn. Please contact Joe from All Stars Rugby on 07861 482 475 or enquiries@all-starsrugby.net for more details or to make a booking.

Soft Archery: We are lucky enough to have soft archery as an after-school club activity for Years 3 & 4 this term. However, there is an additional opportunity for children to take part after school at Wentworth Leisure Centre from 18 January 2022. Please contact John-Paul from Full of Beans Children's Fitness & Sports Coaching on 01434 755012 or johnpaul@fullofbeansfitness.co.uk for more information or to make a booking.

COVID UPDATES:

As we move forward we really hope to minimise any absence for the children and staff. If your child is identified as a close contact to someone in school who has tested positive we will send a parentmail to inform you. Guidance states daily lateral flow testing should take place for 7 days if no symptoms are evident. There has been no change in procedures if a person is showing symptoms -they should book a PCR test, then isolate and await the results of a PCR test before returning to school.

The School Diary

The term dates are in the grid this week but we will be filling the diary with all of our events for the term soon.

Please remember to check for any new dates in each week. *Dates in red are new dates which have been added*

Date	Event	Notes
January 2022		
Fri 28 – Sun 30	Great British Birdwatch Weekend	More information to follow
February 2022		
Tuesday 8	Safer Internet Day	Theme: All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online
Thursday 10	Reception Class – Eye Tests	
Week beginning 14 th February	Parent appointments to take place to find out about your child's learning progress and time in school.	More information to follow
Friday 18	School closes for February half term	
Monday 28	School re-opens following February half term	
Mon 28 Feb - Sun 6 Mar	Fairtrade Fortnight	More information to follow
March 2022		
Thurs 3	World Book Day	More information to follow
Fri 18	Comic Relief	More information to follow
Fri 25 Mar - Sun 10 Apr	Great British Clean Up	More information to follow
Thursday 31	Technology Tom STEM Workshops	In school event for STEM Fortnight
April 2022		
Monday 4 April	Professor Brainstorm Magical Science Show	In school event for STEM Fortnight
Friday 8	Bank Holiday - School Closed	In lieu of the additional bank holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 3 June
Monday 25	School re-opens following Easter holidays	
May 2022		
Monday 2	Bank Holiday	School Closed
Friday 27	School closes for half term	
June 2022		
Monday 6	School re-opens following half-term	
July 2022		
Friday 22	Last Day of School – School Closes for Summer	

