

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 13 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fun filled week the children have had for Sports Relief today. We have raised £255.00, so we thank you for your contributions. The children have enjoyed developing their sporting skills and challenging themselves to beat their personal targets whilst raising money for others, which has been fantastic to see.

This week the children and family members from Year Three enjoyed a very interactive science workshop which was enjoyed by all. Thank you for all your great feedback, and it is great to see the children learning and remembering more from these fantastic lessons and experiences! Check out the gallery on our website [here!](#) Information for the Early Years 'Stay and Play' has now been shared and we look forward to welcoming families for the EYFS session soon.

We had our final visit from Sarah Donnison from Northumbria Police on Thursday. She has worked with classes delivering workshops over the past few months linked to personal, social, health and emotional teaching (PSHE) - and the children have really benefitted from this excellent programme.

I am pleased to say the kitchen has been able to run and cook the meals from our menu as planned once again. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Dobson and the kitchen team who ensured we had a solution when issues occurred midway through cooking preparation. Due to their dedication to head out to buy supplies, and go to a neighbouring school's kitchen to cook at the last minute - all children were fed and we did not have to close school or send children home. I appreciate the support showed by parents at this time, as it would have been easy to complain about not receiving a hot meal. The dedication of the staff during what has been a really challenging time to keep the school open during the unexpected kitchen shut down days, is something I am very thankful and grateful for.

Finally I wish to thank you for showing support as we strive to deal with the Coronavirus situation. We will continue to share news with you as soon as we are made aware of any further developments or advice.

Have a lovely weekend.

J Ainsley & S Gray

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher



School Dinners: Week beginning Monday 16 March 2020 will be Week 2 of our [menu](#).

Coronavirus Update – Current advice still states ***“No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.***

The Department for Education has launched a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk



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Year 3 swimming dates –Spring Term 2020 – Wednesdays

18 and 25 March	1 April
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Diary - 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

Thursday 19 March	Author Visit @ Broomhaugh First School Year 3 & Year 4 (AM)	Letter has been issued. Please note the change of date.
Friday 20 March - 13 April	Great Big School Clean	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 25 March	EYFS – Police Visit to School	Morning session
Tuesday 31 March	Spring Stay & Play – EYFS (am) 1 family member to attend	Letter has been issued.
Tuesday 31 March	Year 4 Residential meeting 2.45pm	Letter has been issued.
Friday 3 April	SPECIAL LUNCH – Easter Lunch	Letter has been issued.
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.
Tuesday 5 May – Thursday 7 May	Year 4 Residential	Payment letters have now been issued. Consent forms to be returned have now been issued.
Thursday 7 May	SPECIAL LUNCH – Reception Lunch Choice	Further information to follow.
Friday 8 May	SCHOOL CLOSED	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 11 - 15 May	Year Two SATs Week	Y2 Parent letter issued.
Friday 22 May	Year 1 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 22 May	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 1 Lunch Choice	Further information to follow.
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 22 May for Summer half term reopens on Monday 1 June.		
Monday 8 June	Phonics screening check week	
Friday 12 June	Year 2 Class Assembly 2:30pm	Further information to follow.
Friday 12 June	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 2 Choice	Further information to follow.
Monday 15 June	Year Four Times Table Check Week	
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.
Friday 26 June	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 3 Choice	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 1 July	SPECIAL LUNCH – Teddy Bear's picnic	Further information to follow.
Monday 6 July	TRANSFER DAY The children spend the day in their classroom for next year with new staff and Y4 go off to the Middle School.	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 14 July	Nursery Graduation & Sports Morning 9:15am	Further information to follow.
Thursday 16 July	Year Four Leavers Show (morning)	Further information to follow.
Friday 17 July	SPECIAL LUNCH – Year 4 Choice	Further information to follow.

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