

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 6 October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

This week, once again, has flown by. The children continue to impress me with their kindness and caring attitudes. It is evident in their manner around school, towards one another and through their response when thinking of others they may have heard about, where there has been pain, suffering or tragedy.

I have enjoyed teaching in Class One this week but that has not stopped other classes sharing their great learning – which is always a pleasure to celebrate. Miss Jewitt has been unwell but we are hoping to welcome her back very soon.

Next week we will be circulating letters giving you details of parent consultation dates and times. The letter will have a return slip for you to state your preferred day and time. It is important that teachers are able to meet with you to talk about your child's progress, their targets and how we can work together to ensure they do their very best. Appointment times will be sent home with your child on Wednesday 18 October. Please do speak to your child's teacher if you can't make your meeting so that we can make alternative arrangements.

All the classes have been practising their harvest songs and we hope you will be able to come along to hear them sing at St Andrew's Church on Monday.

J. Ainsley

Head Teacher



Data Collection sheets 2017-18

At the start of term we sent out many forms to update our records in school. I would like to thank you for returning forms to us so promptly – this really helps us ensure all the data we are required to hold is correct and up to date for our termly school census. If you have not already returned forms I would be very grateful if they could be returned at the start of next week or contact the office if you need a duplicate set sent home.

Year 4 Fellside Residential Next year's Year 4 residential visit to Fellside will take place from Wednesday 23 May to Friday 25 May 2018. To give you an opportunity to find out more about the visit and to answer any questions you may have, we will hold a meeting for Year 4 parents/carers and children **at 2:30pm on Monday 16 October 2017**. Please enter school via the playground gate and proceed to the classroom door. The gate will be open from 2.25pm. Letters will be sent out next week giving further details and requesting an expression of interest.

School Disco – Monday 16 October 2017 The children have expressed their wish for another school disco! We would love to make this happen but as always we will need parents to help and organise the fun. Please look out for a letter and if you think you can help us make this happen please get in touch.

The Charlotte Straker Project in Corbridge has a Community Respite Care Bed available – this is a free of charge short term respite care package, offering 24-hour nursing care for all people in the community who need continuous care at home. Our charity is now taking bookings for 2018 – please ring soon to organise a short term respite care break for next year!

Who is eligible?

- Anyone in Northumberland aged 65 or over. If younger our staff will seek CQC approval.
- Those who need care at home & cannot be managed easily without main carer.
- Those who are frail and elderly or have long term conditions, &/or disabilities. e.g. chronic neurological illness - Parkinson Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, stroke, cancer COPD, diabetes etc

To book please contact: Mrs Iwona Proszowska

Charlotte Straker House, Corbridge

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Registered charity No 102108

Diary dates are printed on the next pages....new dates will be added regularly (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 2017-2018

Date	Event	Notes
Monday 9 October	Harvest Festival and Raffle	9:30am @St Andrews Church – all welcome All food donations will be given to the People's kitchen.
Tuesday 10 October	EYFS Stay and Play ending with Harvest songs and Celebration.	Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow.
Wednesday 11 October	Year Two Class Visit – Aydon Castle	Class letter to follow.
Monday 16 October	Year Four Fellside Initial Meeting	Meetings start at 2.30pm. Please enter school via the playground gate and proceed to the classroom door. The gate will be open from 2.25pm.
Thursday 19 October	Year Four Menu Choice	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Monday 16 October Amended	EYFS Disco – school fundraiser	EYFS DISCO 1 – 3pm
Monday 16 October Amended	School Disco – school fundraiser	Y1 – Y4 Disco 3pm – 4:30pm
School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 19 October 2017 for half term break. Reopens on Monday 30 October.		
Week commencing 30 October	Parent Consultations	Appointments will be sent out in due course.
Wednesday 1 November	Year 4 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch	Further information to follow.
Friday 3 November	Bonfire Night Themed Lunch	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Wednesday 8 November	Year 3 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 8 November	Year 1 and 2 Film Festival Sing @ Odeon Metrocentre	Further information to follow.
Thursday 9 November	Reception Class Film Festival Sing @ Forum	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 15 November	Year 2 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Thursday 16 November	Year 3 and 4 film Festival Diary of a Whimpy Kid: The Long Haul @ Forum	Further information to follow.
Friday 17 November	BBC Children In Need Day	Charity fundraiser
Friday 17 November	Children in Need Themed Lunch	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Wednesday 22 November	Year 1 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 29 November	Reception parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Friday 1 December	EYFS Stay and Play - Decorations day	Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow.
Monday 11 December	Reception and Nursery – nativity dress rehearsal	9.15am
Tuesday 12 December	Reception and Nursery – nativity	9.15am
Wednesday 13 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Show dress rehearsal	9.30am
Wednesday 13 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Shows	There will be two shows – one at 1.30pm and a second at 6.00pm.
Thursday 14 December	Christmas Movie Night – school fundraiser	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 19 December	Reception & Nursery (am) Y3 & Y4 (pm) Christmas Party	Further information to follow.

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Wednesday 20 December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
Thursday 21 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Friday 22 December	Big Foot Theatre – A Christmas Carolling Catastrophe	Morning pantomime performance
Friday 22 December	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30p - all welcome
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 22 December for the Christmas break. School will reopen on Tuesday 9 January 2018.		
Thursday 18 January	Year 1 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Thursday 25 January	Year 2 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Friday 26 January	Year Three Menu Choice	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Thursday 1 February	Year 3 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Tuesday 6 February	Safer Internet Day	
Thursday 8 February	EYFS Stay and Play - Inspire	Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow.
Thursday 8 February	Year 4 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Thursday 8 February	Family Quiz Night – school fundraiser	Further information to follow.
Friday 9 February	Special Valentine's Lunch	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 9 February for half term and reopens on Monday 19 February.		
Thursday 1 March	World Book Day	
Friday 9 March	Year Two Menu Choice	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Wednesday 21 March	EYFS Stay and Play – Easter / Spring Carousel	Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow.
Friday 23 March	Sport Relief	Charity fundraiser
Friday 23 March	Sport Relief Special Lunch	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Thursday 29 March	Special Easter Lunch	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Thursday 29 March	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30pm - all welcome (date and time (TBC)
School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 29 March for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 16 April.		
Monday 7 May – school closed for Bank Holiday		
Week commencing 16 April	Parent Consultations	Appointments will be sent out in due course.
Wednesday 2 May	Year 1 Class Assembly	9:10am
Tuesday 8 May (AMENDED)	Year Four Fellside Meeting	Meetings start at 2.30pm. Please enter school via the playground gate and proceed to the classroom door. The gate will be open from 2.25pm.
Tuesday 8 May	EYFS STEM session with Families.	Nursery Families morning or afternoon session. Reception Families afternoon session. Further information to follow.
Wednesday 9 May	Year 2 Class Assembly	9:10am



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Wednesday 16 May	Year 3 Class Assembly	9:10am
Friday 18 May	Year One Menu Choice	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Wednesday 23 May	Reception Class Assembly	9:10am
Wednesday 23-Friday 25 May	Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside	
Wednesday 23 May	Movie Night – school fundraiser	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 25 May for half term and reopens on Monday 4 June.		
Friday 15 June	Early Years' Menu Choice	If your child usually has packed lunch a letter will be sent out, nearer the time, so your child can order and stay for this special lunch if desired.
Saturday 30 June	Summer fete	
Monday 16 July	Sports' Day (afternoon)	
Tuesday 17 July	Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning	
Wednesday 18 July	Parent Open Door – opportunity for parents to drop in to see their child's teacher between 3.00 and 4.00pm if there are any concerns arising from your child's school report which will be issued on Friday 15 July.	
Thursday 19 July	Year 4 Leavers' Concert	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 20 July 2018 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 4 September 2018.		

Year 3 swimming dates –autumn term 2017 – Mondays – 11 lessons

18 September	2 October	6 November
25 September	9 October	13 November
	16 October	20 November
	30 October	27 November
		4 December

