

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back. I am delighted to be able to start the year by letting you know that we have had four 65" interactive touch screens installed in our classrooms over the holidays, along with a mobile screen which can be used in the early years and around the school. The improved technology assists teachers in delivery of lessons and enables all children to actively take part. The fundraising efforts this year have contributed to their purchase and we thank you for all your support.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming parents and carers into school over the next few weeks to join the children in special learning sessions. These sessions are always very popular and the children very much enjoy sharing school activities with you and I hope you will be able to come along. The first one is on Thursday 18 January when Year 1, with their parents and carers, will be designing and making fruit salads.

The development of our onsite school allotment will begin this term and all pupils will get the chance to be involved over time. The lease for the school allotment we have on Aydon Road will conclude at the end of March 2018. We eagerly await to hear the total grant we are due to receive from Tesco "Bags of Help". If you would like to get involved with our allotment development, please let us know.

*J. Ainsley*

Head Teacher



## Spring 1 Class Curriculum Information Booklets

Click your child's class to be directed to the website page:

[Nursery](#)

[Reception](#)

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

## Charity Fundraising Efforts

Before the break our Christmas Jumper day event raised £145 for Save the Children. We were also able to make a donation of £171.39 to The Children's Society from the collection taken at St. Andrew's Church at our Carol Service. We thank you again for all your support and donations.

**Payment for School Meals (Nursery/Years 3 and 4)** — If you have not already made a payment for this half term's school meals, could I please ask you to do so on Monday 15 January. Details of the cost of school meals this half term can be found on the website by following this link - [School Meals](#)  
Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

**Swimming – Year 3** – lessons start on Monday 15 January. Please make sure your child has their swimming equipment with them each week.

**55 Books at Bedtime** – if you have taken part in our 'Books at Bedtime' challenge please return your completed form to us as soon as possible as the prize draw to select prize winners will take place next week.

**The deadline for applications for Reception class places is 15 January 2018.** All parents who require a Reception class place for their child in September 2018 must make an application either online or on paper by this date.

**Are your contact details up to date?** Please remember to let us know about any changes to your contact details – change of address, home, mobile or work phone numbers etc.



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*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  |
|--|---|--|
| Thursday 18 January  | Year 1 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | A letter has now been sent out – please return the reply slip no later than Monday 15 January.   |
| Tuesday 23 January   | EYFS Phonics and reading Parent Session Sessions at 9.05am and 2.15pm               | A letter has now been sent out – if you wish to attend please reply by Thursday 18 January.  |
| 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  |  |
| Wednesday 7 February<br>*note change of day  | EYFS Stay and Play - Inspire  | Nursery Families morning or afternoon session.<br>Reception Families afternoon session.<br>Further information to follow.                              |
| Thursday 8 February  | Year 4 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session | Morning session  |
| Date TBC   | 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. |
| <b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 9 February for half term and reopens on Monday 19 February.</b>     |   |  |
| Wednesday 28 February  | Year 3 Healthy Eating Sandwich Workshop.  | The children will receive a workshop in school. The event is sponsored by Warburtons.  |
| 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.<br>Reception Families afternoon session.  |
| 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))   |
| <b>School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 29 March for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 16 April.</b> |   |  |
| <b>Monday 7 May – school closed for Bank Holiday</b>   |   |  |
| 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  | 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.<br>Reception Families afternoon session.<br>Further information to follow.                              |
| Wednesday 9 May  | Year 2 Class Assembly   | 9:10am   |
| 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   |

Don't forget to visit the School Website: [www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk)



| Date  | Event   | Notes  |
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| Wednesday 23-Friday 25 May  | Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside  |  |
| Wednesday 23 May  | Movie Night – school fundraiser   |  |
| <b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 25 May for half term and reopens on Monday 4 June.</b>                                     |   |  |
| 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, |  |
| Thursday 19 July  | Year 4 Leavers' Concert   |  |
| <b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 20 July 2018 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 4 September 2018.</b> |   |  |

| <b>Fellside Payment Schedule - as detailed in the letter sent out payment can be made in full or in instalments as detailed below</b> |  |                         |
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| <b>Option 1</b>   | £162.00 - payment in full to be received by Monday 22 January 2018 |                         |
| <b>Option 2</b>   | <b>Payment in 4 instalments</b>                                    |                         |
|   | <b>Amount</b>  | <b>Due By</b>           |
|   | £42.00   | Monday 22 January 2018  |
|   | £40.00   | Monday 26 February 2018 |
|   | £40.00   | Monday 26 March 2018    |
|   | £40.00   | Monday 23 April 2018    |

**Please contact the school office if you require large type formats of any school produced documentation. School can also provide help with reading any documentation.**

