Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Friday 8 September 2017

Welcome to the 2017-18 school year! I hope you enjoyed the summer break with your families and friends. It's been a lovely week welcoming all of the children back to a new school year of learning and growing. I've also really enjoyed bumping into many of our new nursery children's parents as they came into school. The children have been full of smiles and look so smart in their school uniform.

As you know, we have Parent Welcome Meetings planned for next week. I hope you will be able to come along to meet with your child's teacher to hear about the class routines, year group expectations and how you can support your child at home. In the meantime, please do take time to check our diary pages and mark dates relevant to your child's class on your calendar – there are lots of events where we look forward to welcoming you into school.





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 – to ensure we can contact you easily in the case of an emergency. We will send out data checking sheets next week for you to confirm that the details we hold for your child on our database are current and correct.

Medication - If you require your child to have medication stored at school – e.g. inhaler, please call at the school office to complete an administering medication form as soon as possible, if you have not already done so.

Packed Lunches - If your child brings a packed lunch to school please ensure it provides them with a healthy balanced lunch. We are a NUT FREE zone so please support us by ensuring your child's packed lunch or snacks are 'nut free'. We will be giving further advice on packed lunches soon but in the meantime can I please remind you that sweets and chocolate should not be part of your child's school packed lunch.

School Clubs - children once again have the opportunity to attend a number of after school clubs as detailed below.

Dance Club – Reception to Y4	Thursday – starting 14 September	
Quid a Kid Lunchtime Football Club - Years 1-4	Wednesday + Thursday lunchtimes from 13 September	
Girls' and boys' Football Club – Reception to Year 4	Friday – starting 15 September	

Information on how to book your child a place at the various clubs has been circulated this week. Please contact the school office if you require further information on any of the clubs.

The Magic of Cinema - The Into Film Festival is the world's largest free film and education event for young people. The Festival offers more than 3,000 cinema screenings of 165+ films, all selected with educators in mind. This year we will take each of our classes to see a film - see details below. We will write to you nearer the time with more details and the cost of the coach travel.

Year Group	Date	Film	
Year 3 and 4	16 November	Diary of a Whimpy Kid - Forum	
Years 1 and 2	8 November	Sing @ Odeon Metrocentre	
Reception	9 November	Sing – Forum	

Sainsbury's Active Kids – thank you to everyone who was able to donate vouchers. We cashed in our vouchers for tennis balls this year which will be used during PE lessons this year.

St Andrew's Church – Telling the story of Corbridge – Friday 8 – Sunday 10 September

If you are looking for something to do this weekend why not call into the church to check out the displays, including the children's work relating to the history of schools. There are related activities going on throughout the weekend that you can also enjoy.

Diary dates are printed on the next two pages....new dates will be added regularly 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

	First School - Diary Dates 2017-2018	
Date	Event	Notes
Monday 11 September	Reception Parent Welcome Meeting	All parent meetings start at 2.35pm. Please enter
Tuesday 12 September	Year 1 Parent Welcome Meeting	school via the playground gate and proceed to the
Wednesday 13 September	Year 2 Parent Welcome Meeting	classroom door. The gate will be open from
Thursday 14 September	Year 3 Parent Welcome Meeting	2.30pm.
Monday 18 September	Year 4 Parent Welcome Meeting	
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.
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	EYFS Disco – school fundraiser	EYFS DISCO 1 – 3pm
Thursday 19 October	School Disco – school fundraiser	Y1 – Y4 Disco 3pm – 4:30pm
School closes at 3.00pm on Thui	rsday 19 October 2017 for half term break. R	eopens 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	Further information to follow.
,	child for lunch	
Wednesday 8 November	Year 3 parents/carers invited to join their	Further information to follow.
	child for lunch.	
Wednesday 8 November	Year 1 and 2 film Festival Sing @ Odeon	Further information to follow.
	Metrocentre	
Thursday 9 November	Year 1 and 2 film Festival Sing @ Forum	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 15 November	Year 2 parents/carers invited to join their	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 15 November	child for lunch.	Turther information to follow.
Thursday 16 November	Year 3 and 4 film Festival Diary of a	Further information to follow.
mursuay 10 November	Whimpy Kid: The Long Haul @ Forum	Turther information to follow.
Friday 17 November	BBC Children In Need Day	Charity fundraiser
Wednesday 22 November	Year 1 parents/carers invited to join their	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 22 November	child for lunch.	Turther information to follow.
Wednesday 29 November	Reception parents/carers invited to join	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 29 November	their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Monday 11 December	Reception and Nursery – nativity dress	9.15am
Worlday 11 December	rehearsal	9.13am
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
Wednesday 13 December	11-14 Cillistillas Silows	second at 6.00pm.
Thursday 14 December	Christmas Mayia Night school fundraiser	Further information to follow.
Thursday 14 December	Christmas Movie Night – school fundraiser	Further information to follow.
Tuesday 19 December	Reception & Nursery (am)	Further information to follow.
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Wednesday 20 December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	Further information to follow.
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Thursday 21 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and	Charity fundraiser
	School Christmas Lunch	
Friday 22 December	Big Foot Theatre – A Christmas Carolling	Morning pantomime performance
	Catastrophe	
Friday 22 December	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30p - all welcome
-	ay 22 December for the Christmas break. Sch	
Thursday 18 January	Year 1 parents and carers invited to join	Morning session
	their child at a special learning session	
Thursday 25 January	Year 2 parents and carers invited to join	Morning session
	their child at a special learning session	
Thursday 1 February	Year 3 parents and carers invited to join	Morning session
	their child at a special learning session	
Tuesday 6 February	Safer Internet Day	

Date	Event	Notes			
Thursday 8 February	Year 4 parents and carers invited to join	Morning session			
	their child at a special learning session				
Thursday 8 February	Family Quiz Night – school fundraiser	Further information to follow.			
School closes at 3.00pm on Frid	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 23 March	Sport Relief	Charity fundraiser			
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			
Monday 7 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.			
Wednesday 9 May	Year 2 Class Assembly	9:10am			
Wednesday 16 May	Year 3 Class Assembly	9:10am			
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.					
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

