

Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

As the days begin to get longer, we have started to make plans to take the children out and about. Each year group will be taking part in a visit connected to their current learning. Year 3 will be visiting Vindolanda and the Roman Army Museum linked to their learning about the Romans; and Nursery and Reception children will be spending a day at Hall Hill Farm – both the children and staff always enjoy seeing the animals and if they are lucky feeding the lambs! News of these visits and those for other year groups will be sent out soon.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting our drive to keep everyone safe during drop off and collection times. The issue of keeping our children safe from cars is of such importance that our community police officer has said she will drop by over the coming months at the busy times.

J. Ainsley



Head Teacher

It's actually a quiet week on the news front so I'll keep the newsletter short. As always though, please keep an eye on the diary events page as we update this every week.

Website - don't forget if you are looking for information on school meals, clubs, calendar dates etc you don't have to trawl through all your old Parentmail correspondence. Our website has all this information and more – please have a look.



If you are looking for something to do this weekend with the children...why not take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch taking place on Saturday and Sunday – go to <http://www.rspb.org.uk/> for details.

The Children's Foundation is a local charity that works to support children and help improve children's health in the North East of England. Each year they have a number of runners in the Great North Run (this year it's on 10 September 2016) fundraising on behalf of the foundation and they are looking for more people to help raise money. If your child would like to be a North East hero and join the mini or junior Great North Run contact Jasmin.Gibson@nuth.nhs.uk for more information. It costs £16/£17 to enter and each child will receive a certificate, t-shirt, fundraising pack, and, of course, a medal! They are also looking for adults to run in the main run.

Sainsbury's Active Kids is back for 2016 ... please donate your vouchers to us ... we can use them to get sports and cooking equipment for the children.



DIARY DATES....see over the page for dates for your diary....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

Diary Dates	Event	Notes
School closes at 3.00pm on Thurs 11 February for half term (Fri 12 February is a teacher training day). School re-opens on Mon 22 February		
Wednesday 2 March	Y1 Bring a parent/carer to lunch day	Information will be sent out
Week commencing 7 March	Parent Consultation Meetings will be held during w/c 7 March 2016	Information will be sent out
Friday 11 March	Year 3 visit Vindolanda and the Roman Army Museum	Information to follow
Monday 14 March	Nursery and Reception visit Hall Hill Farm	Information to follow
Friday 18 March	Sport Relief – Fundraising Event	Information will be sent out
Thursday 24 March	'Shine A Light' – show performed by West End in Schools	1.30pm – show for Reception to Year 4
School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 24 March 2016 for the Easter Break and re-opens on Monday 11 April 2016.		
Monday 11 April	Y3 swimming – first of 11 lessons during the summer 2016 term; last lesson Mon 4 July	
Wednesday 20 April	Reception – Bring a parent/carer to lunch day	Information will be sent out
Friday 22 April	Penguinpig (E-Safety Puppet Show) – Traum Theatre will be in school to take workshops with Reception, Years 1 and 2; Prior to the workshops, Traum Theatre will perform their Penguinpig show to all classes (Reception to Year 4)	
Monday 25 April	Tyne Photo will be in school to take class photographs.	
School closed - May Day – 2 May 2016		
Monday 16 May	Y4 - Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) Workshop and Activities – focus will be 'States of Matter'	Workshop and activities run by Proctor and Gamble
Wed 25 to Fri 27 May	Year 4 – Fellside Residential Visit	
School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 27 May 2016 for half term break and re-opens on Monday 6 June 2016.		
Wednesday 15 June	6.00pm - Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Nursery in September 2016	
Wednesday 22 June	6.00pm – Welcome meeting for parents/carers of children joining Reception class in September 2016	
Tuesday 5 July	Transfer Day – Year 4 children visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher	
Saturday 16 July	School Summer Fair	
School closes at 3.00pm on Tuesday 19 July 2016 for the summer break. School re-opens on Tuesday 6 September 2016.		

Fellside May 2016 - Payment Schedule	
Amount	Due By
£42.25	Monday 11 January 2016
£42.25	Monday 8 February 2016
£42.25	Monday 7 March 2016
£42.25	Monday 11 April 2016
Cheques payable to 'NCC' – please send payments (cash/cheque) in an envelope marked with your child's name + 'Fellside'.	

Year 3 swimming dates - spring term 2016 – Mondays

1 February	7 March
8 February	14 March
22 February	21 March
29 February	

Year 3 swimming dates - summer term 2016 – Mondays – 11 lessons

11 April	9 May	6 June	4 July
18 April	16 May	13 June	
25 April	23 May	20 June	
		27 June	

Don't forget to visit the School Website: www.corbridgefirst.northumberland.sch.uk

