



CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL

Newsletter: Friday 3 March 2023

Dear Families,

I have so many wonderful things to share with you today that I can't believe it's only been a week!

On Wednesday, we were visited by Kema Kay. Kema is a rapper and actor who visits schools to inspire young people to achieve their dreams and fight prejudice. Kema shared the story of his life: leaving Zambia at the age of three to move to Newcastle where he was, "The only black skinned child in the school." He explained that, at primary school, he was just another child. However, when he went to secondary school, people bullied him because of the colour of his skin. He said that, through music, he was able to share his experiences and make others understand who he was. Kema involved the children in a forum theatre workshop where they acted out and resolved a bullying problem. He was absolutely blown away by the kindness and mature attitude of the children at CFS!

World Book Day was a resounding success with so many wonderful costumes on display. Thank you for your tremendous effort in preparing for this. We loved walking down to Forum Books to spend our vouchers and felt very lucky to have such a fantastic resource on our doorstep.

Finally, I would like to mention that Mr Reed – our music and ukulele teacher – received an award this week. We nominated him for MPN Team Member of the Month and the Lead Officer from NCC presented the award. At Corbridge First School, we love having Mr Reed in school. The children are always so engaged and excited by his sessions and develop a sheer love of music, playing and singing. Mr Reed has also gone above and beyond by helping us prepare for our Spring Music Concert and he's even volunteered to play guitar to accompany our choir! No job is too big or small for Mr Reed and we really do feel very lucky to have him. **Please save the date for our Spring Music Concert in school on Tuesday 21st March at 1.30pm.**

Have a lovely weekend, everyone!

S Hart & E Florek

Executive Head Teacher

Executive Deputy Head Teacher

Attendance this week:

Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Reception with 100%	Year 4 with 98.1%	Year 3 & Nursery with 95.3%



School Dinners: Week beginning Monday 6 March 2023 for Spring Term 2, and will be Week 2 of our [menu](#)

The School Diary: The term dates are in the grid this week but we will be filling the diary with all of our events for the term soon. Please remember to check for any new dates in each week. *Dates in red are new dates which have been added*

Date	Event	Notes
March 2023		
Tuesday 14	Key Stage 2 - Rugby Tournament at CFS with Broomhaugh First School	
Friday 17	Red Nose Day 2023	
Friday 17	Special Lunch - Red Nose Day 2023 <i>*Menu chosen by Year 3: pizza or hot dog in a bun, curly fries or pasta, beans or sweetcorn, and chocolate doughnut</i>	Letter to follow for children on packed lunch
Tuesday 21	Music Concert	More information to follow
Monday 27	Parent Consultation Week	More information to follow
Friday 31	Special Lunch – Easter <i>*Menu chosen by Year 2: pizza or burger in a bun, curly fries and doughnuts</i>	Letter to follow for children on packed lunch
Friday 31	Last day of school before Easter holidays	
April 2023		
Monday 17	School Re-opens	
Tuesday 18	Reception: Vision Screening	More information to follow
Thursday 20	Year 4 - Residential meeting @ 3pm	More information to follow
Thursday 27	Year 3 - Vindolanda & Roman Army Museum Visit	More information to follow
May 2023		
Monday 1	Bank Holiday - School closed	
Monday 8	Bank Holiday - HM Coronation Day School Closed	
Friday 19	Year 4 – Tynedale Schools Quad Kids Transition/Competition - Athletics Events at Corbridge Middle School (PM)	More information to follow
Friday 26	Last day of school before half term	
June 2023		
Monday 5	School Re-opens	
Tuesday 13	Cricket Tournament at CFS with Broomhaugh First School KS1 - morning KS2 - afternoon	
July 2023		
Tuesday 4	Transfer Day	
Friday 21	Last day of school before Summer holidays	