# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Friday 17 March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who was able to donate to our Bag2School collection this week. We had a mountain of bags of clothes, shoes, soft toys, bags and hats collected from us on Thursday morning. We raised a fantastic £124 and will put this with the £119 raised on World Book Day to purchase seating for our outdoor reading shed.

If you've not already returned the reply slip with your preferred time for your parent consultation, please do so on Monday 20 March. Appointment slips will be sent home with the children on Friday 24 March.

We're looking forward to our Red Nose fundraising day next Friday – the red noses we had on sale this week sold like hot cakes and are now sold out! Next Friday we are asking the children to come to school wearing red for a suggested donation of £1.00 and they'll be cooking up sweet treats to sell at 3.00pm under the canopy.

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Head Teacher

**Corbridge in Bloom –** we are delighted that Corbridge in Bloom will be designing and planting a new flowerbed in our grounds. The design, based on a window in St Andrew's Church, will reflect our school's identity as a Church of England School. Work starts on 18 April. Mrs Orrick is very much looking forward to working with CiB and getting the children involved as well.

**Milk Orders for the summer term 2017 –** letters have gone out this week detailing the cost of milk for the summer term 2017. Please return milk orders by Friday 31 March. We can accept orders after this date but milk will not be available for late orders until the second week of the summer term as we have to confirm our order with the dairy at the start of week commencing 3 April.

**Y3 Swimming – Safety Week – Monday 27 March 2017 -** The children will take part in a water safety session when they are at the swimming pool on Monday 27 March. The children will need t-shirts and shorts to wear over their normal swim wear that day.

**Royal Institute of British Architects – Tuesday 4 April 2017** - as part of their geography topic this term, Y4 will take part in a one day workshop run by the RIBA to learn about sustainable communities, and design & build their own sustainable town. Nearer to the time, we will be asking the children to bring in cardboard boxes, plastic bottles etc to use in their model making.

**Nursery Stay and Play Session – Tuesday 4 April 2017** - parents are invited to join the children at our 'Stay and Play' session from 9.00 to 10.30am. We know the children just love sharing school activities with their parents and these sessions make for a very enjoyable morning. Please return the reply slip on the letter sent out earlier this week to let us know if you are able to come along.

**Don't forget Red Nose Day on Friday 24 March. See below for what we have planned to raise funds.**

- Non-uniform day – come to school wearing red – suggested donation of £1.00
- Each class will bake using our new cooking equipment and we will be selling their sweet treats at 3.00pm under the canopy
- Beat the Goalie competition – from 3.00pm - organised by Newcastle Community Football and our After School Girls' Football Club -£1.00 for 3 shots!

**Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017 … please donate your vouchers to us … we can use them to get sports and cooking equipment for the children**

***Diary dates are printed on the next page….new dates will be added regularly so please check each week for any events/activities involving your child's year group…***dates added or amended this week are marked in red.

## Corbridge Church of England First School - Diary Dates 2016-2017

| Date | Event | Notes |
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| Friday 24 March | **Mothers' Day –** all of our children have now sent their mother's day message to be printed in the Hexham Courant for their mum to see. Messages will be printed in the issue due out on Friday 24 March. | |
| Friday 24 March | Comic Relief – Red Nose Day - Charity fundraiser<br>- Non-uniform day – come to school wearing red – suggested donation of £1.00<br>- Each class will bake using our new cooking equipment and we will be selling their sweet treats at 3.00pm under the canopy<br>- Beat the Goalie competition – from 3.00pm - organised by Newcastle Community Football and our After School Girls' Football Club - £1.00 for 3 shots! | |
| Monday 27 March | Y3 – swimming – water safety week – the children will need shorts and a t-shirt in addition to their usual swimming costumes. | |
| Week commencing 3 April | Parent Consultation letters (Reception to Year 4) have now been sent out; please return the reply slip by Friday 17 March – an appointment slip will then be sent home with your child on Friday 24 March. | |
| Tuesday 4 April | 9.00-10.30am - Nursery Stay and Play session – information has now been sent out. | |
| Tuesday 4 April | Y4 will take part in a one day workshop run by the Royal Institute of British Architects to learn about sustainable communities, and design & build their own sustainable town. | |
| 5 April to 7 June 2017 | Y3 and Y4 will take part in cricket coaching sessions on Wednesday mornings – 7 sessions run by Active Northumberland/Northumberland Cricket Board | |
| Friday 7 April | Easter Service at St Andrew's Church | 1.30pm - all welcome |
| **School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 7 April for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 24 April.** | | |
| **Monday 1 May – school closed for Bank Holiday** | | |
| Wednesday 26 April | Y4 – Fellside Residential Visit – parents and Y4 children invited to come into school at 3.05pm to hear more about the Fellside residential visit. | |
| Tuesday 2 May | Charity Fundraising – Tynedale Hospice; Cathy Bates will be coming along to talk to the children about the work at the hospice. We'll be giving each of the children one of the hospice's very cute animal pen pals and we would be very grateful for a suggested donation of £1 from parents for these. | |
| Tuesday 2 May | Reception Class Assembly | |
| Christian Aid Week – 14 to 20 May 2017 | | |
| Tuesday 9 May | Year 1 Class Assembly | |
| Wednesday 10 May (afternoon) | Y3 walk to Corbridge Roman Site to see Cavalry Exhibition | |
| Tuesday 23 May | Year 3 Class Assembly | |
| Wednesday 24-Friday 26 May | Year 4 Residential Visit to Fellside | |
| Wednesday 24 May | Movie Night – school fundraiser | |
| **School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 26 May for half term and reopens on Monday 5 June.** | | |
| Tuesday 6 June | Year 4 Class Assembly | |
| Wednesday 14 June | Y3 – Visit to Roman Army Museum and Vindolanda | |
| Wednesday 14 June | Year 2 Class Assembly (afternoon) | |
| Wednesday 21 June | Year 4 Leavers' Service at Newcastle Cathedral | |
| Saturday 1 July | Summer fete | |
| Tuesday 4 July | Nursery closed due to Transfer Day | |
| Tuesday 4 July | Transfer Day - Y4 visit their new middle school/other year groups spend time with their new class teacher. | |
| Friday 7 July | Corbridge has got Talent – Family Night! – school fundraiser | |
| Monday 17 July | Sports' Day (afternoon) | |
| Tuesday 18 July | Nursery Graduation and Sports Morning | |
| Wednesday 19 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 14 July. | |
| Thursday 20 July | Year 4 Leavers' Concert | |
| **School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 21 July 2017 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 5 September.** | | |

**Year 3 Monday swimming dates for the second half of the spring term 2017**

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| 13 March | 27 March - water safety week – the children will need shorts and a t-shirt in addition to their usual swimming costumes. |
| 20 March | 3 April |

| **Year 4 – Fellside Payment Schedule – as detailed in the letter sent out payment can be made in full or in instalments as detailed below** | | |
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| **Option 1** | **£160 – payment in full to be received by Monday 12 December 2016** | |
| **Option 2** | **Payment in 4 instalments** | |
| | **Amount** | **Due by** |
| | **£40.00** | **Monday 12 December 2016** |
| | **£40.00** | **Monday 6 February 2017** |
| | **£40.00** | **Monday 6 March 2017** |
| | **£40.00** | **Monday 3 April 2017** |

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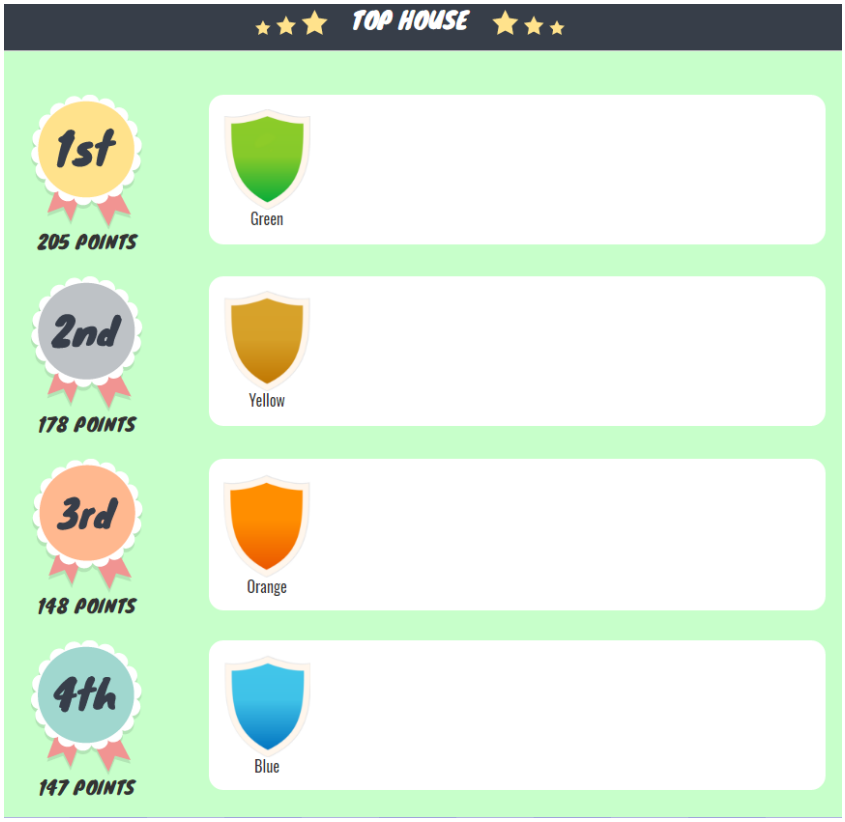
**This week's School 360 highest house point scorers are printed below.**




**This week's some year four super stars are topping the leader board!**

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