

# Corbridge Church of England First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Friday 9 September 2016

Welcome to the 2016-17 school year! I hope you enjoyed the long summer break with your families and friends. It's been a lovely week welcoming all of the children 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 to meet with our nursery staff and also to join their child for lunch. 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 Years 1-4 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.

*J. Ainsley*

Head Teacher



**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. Please note that all clubs charge, however, they are very reasonably priced.

<b>Cricket Coaching – block of 5 sessions – Years 3 and 4</b>	Wednesday – starting on 14 September 2016
<b>Dance Club – Reception to Y4</b>	Thursday – starting 15 September 2016
<b>Quid a Kid Lunchtime Football Club - Years 1-4</b>	Wednesday + Thursday lunchtimes from 14 September
<b>Girls' Football Club – Reception to Year 4</b>	Friday – starting 16 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 at the Odeon Metro Centre– 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 4	9 November	Kubo and the Two Strings
Years 2 and 3	22 November	Pete's Dragon
Reception and Year 1	24 November	The Princess and the Frog

**Sainsbury's Active Kids** – thank you to everyone who was able to donate vouchers. We cashed in our vouchers for mini rakes, trowels, a spade and brush for our nursery.

**St Andrew's Church – Flower Festival – Friday 9-Monday 12 September (9.30am to 5.00pm):** if you are looking for something to do this weekend why not call into the flower festival – floral arrangements, plant stall, tombola, raffle, refreshments.

**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 2016-2017

Date	Event	Notes
Tuesday 13 September	Year 1 Parent Welcome Meeting	All parent meetings start at 2.35pm. Please enter school via the playground gate and proceed to the classroom door. The gate will be open from 2.30pm.
Wednesday 14 September	Year 2 Parent Welcome Meeting	
Thursday 15 September	Year 3 Parent Welcome Meeting	
Friday 16 September	Year 4 Parent Welcome Meeting	
Friday 7 October	Individual Pupil Photographs – whole school and nursery	Tyne Photo will be in school to take individual and family group photographs.
Monday 10 October	Harvest Festival	9:30am @St Andrews Church – all welcome (date and time TBC)
Friday 14 October	School Disco Night – school fundraiser	All welcome – further details to follow
Tuesday 18 October (morning)	Nursery and Reception – Stay and Play session	Parents/carers invited to a stay and play session with their child. Further details to follow.
Thursday 20 October	NSPCC – Stay Safe Speak Out assemblies for Reception to Year 4	NSPCC team in school to talk to our children about keeping safe.
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 20 October 2016 for half term break. Reopens on Monday 31 October.</b>		
Week commencing 31 October	Parent Consultations	Appointments will be sent out in due course.
Wednesday 2 November	Year 4 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch	Further information to follow.
Thursday 3 November	Parent Voice – parent meetings	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 9 November	Year 3 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Wednesday 9 November	Into Film Festival - Year 4 – visit to Odeon Metro Centre to see Kubo and the Two Strings	
Wednesday 16 November	Year 2 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Friday 18 November	BBC Children In Need Day	Charity fundraiser
Tuesday 22 November	Into Film Festival - Years 2 and 3 – visit to Odeon Metro Centre to see Pete's Dragon	
Wednesday 23 November	Year 1 parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Thursday 24 November	Into Film Festival - Reception and Year 1 – visit to Odeon Metro Centre to see The Princess and The Frog	
Wednesday 30 November	Nasal flu vaccinations – Years 1, 2 and 3	Information/permission forms will be circulated by Northumberland Health Care Trust.
Wednesday 30 November	Reception parents/carers invited to join their child for lunch.	Further information to follow.
Monday 5 December	Reception and Nursery – nativity dress rehearsal	9.15am
Tuesday 6 December	Reception and Nursery – nativity	9.15am
Wednesday 7 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Show dress rehearsal	9.30am
Thursday 8 December	Y1-Y4 Christmas Shows	There will be two shows – one at 1.30pm and a second at 6.00pm.
Friday 9 December	Christmas Movie Night – school fundraiser	
Monday 12 December	Pantomime – Aladdin – Every Cloud Entertainments	Afternoon pantomime performance for Reception to Year 4
Tuesday 13 December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party (pm)	
Wednesday 14 December	Reception & Nursery (am) Y3 & Y4 (pm) Christmas Party	
Thursday 15 December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser Day and School Christmas Lunch	Charity fundraiser
Friday 16 December	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30p - all welcome ( date and time TBC)
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 16 December for the Christmas break. School will reopen on Tuesday 3 January 2017.</b>		
Thursday 12 January	Year 1 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Thursday 19 January	Year 2 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Thursday 26 January	Year 3 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session

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Date	Event	Notes
Friday 27 January	Family Quiz Night – school fundraiser	
Thursday 2 February	Year 4 parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Tuesday 7 February	Safer Internet Day	
Thursday 9 February	Reception parents and carers invited to join their child at a special learning session	Morning session
Tuesday 14 February	Valentine Disco – school fundraiser	
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Thursday 16 February for half term and reopens on Monday 27 February.</b>		
Thursday 2 March	World Book Day	
Friday 24 March	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day	Charity fundraiser
Week commencing 3 April	Parent Consultations	Appointments will be sent out in due course.
Tuesday 4 April	Nursery Stay and Play session	Parents invited to stay and play with their child.
Friday 7 April	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church	1.30pm - all welcome (date and time (TBC)
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 7 April for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 24 April.</b>		
<b>Monday 1 May – school closed for Bank Holiday</b>		
Tuesday 2 May	Reception Class Assembly	
Tuesday 9 May	Year 1 Class Assembly	
Tuesday 16 May	Year 2 Class Assembly	
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	
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 26 May for half term and reopens on Monday 5 June.</b>		
Tuesday 6 June	Year 4 Class Assembly	
Saturday 1 July	Summer fete	
Tuesday 4 July	Nursery closed due to Transfer Day	
Tuesday 4 July	Transfer Day - Year 4 children 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 Friday 14 July.	
Thursday 20 July	Year 4 Leavers' Concert	
<b>School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 21 July 2017 for the summer break. School will reassemble on Tuesday 5 September.</b>		

#### Year 3 swimming dates –autumn term 2016 – Mondays – 10 lessons

19 September	3 October	7 November
26 September	10 October	14 November
	17 October	21 November
	31 October	28 November

