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Dear Parents and Carers

Friday 21 July 2017

The Year 4 Leavers' assembly is always a highlight in the school year and this year was no exception. I know that the children thoroughly enjoyed looking back over their time at Corbridge First School and sharing their memories with their families. Thank you to Miss Beresford and Mr Harrison for all their hard work. We wish the Year 4 children the very best of luck as they go off to join their middle schools in September.

The Nursery Graduation was also a fantastic event followed by a fun Sports Day for the early years. My thanks go again to Mrs Wood and Mrs Forsyth for their super work in Nursery this year.

This morning we have celebrated the outstanding adults who work in our school. Each and every member of staff at CFS is dedicated to supporting the children and families and working together to ensure we are the best we can be. The staff give over and above what could ever be expected of them, and I am grateful for all they do.

Thank you to all those who have returned their child's report reply-slip and the parent survey. If you haven't returned yours there is still time to do so. I will review the parent surveys during the summer break. In the meantime, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your many positive comments. We have achieved so much this year and we will continue our journey in September to ensure we offer the highest quality education and care, living out our vision to... be the best you can be.

I thank you once again for all the support and the kind words you have shared this year. As we say goodbye to some fantastic team members and pupils, we also welcome new staff and pupils to join our special team. I look forward to September when the exciting new year will begin, but first we will take some time to relax and enjoy the summer following another super year at CFS!

J Ainsley

Miss J Ainsley

Head Teacher



2.00pm TODAY! Riverside Falconry will be with us from 1.00pm today and parents are very welcome to join us for the Birds of Prey display at 2.00pm. We have also booked a bouncy castle for the children to enjoy both during and after school. School will finish at the usual time of 3.00pm and children must be collected by their parent/carer from the playground as normal. Parents and carers are then very welcome to come onto the school field with their child/ren between 3.00pm to 4.00pm. We hope this will be a lovely end to the term and I would ask for your support in supervising your children. Your child will be in your care following the handover from the class teachers at 3.00pm and school gates will be locked at 4pm.

Sports Day - We enjoyed a fantastic sports day this week. Thank you to all the staff for ensuring that everything ran so smoothly. The children all did their bit for their team and I am proud of them all. The Blue team were the overall winners with 374 points. It was a close competition with the White team scoring 374, the Green Team 369 and the Yellow Team 364. I hope that the parents and other family members who were able to attend enjoyed the event as much as we did. Your support is very much appreciated. Please remember that it is important if you took photographs at the event that you do not post pictures of any of our children other than your own on any social media websites e.g. Facebook, Instagram etc.

Stop press...last minute staffing news!

- Some of you may already be aware that Miss Pattison, one of our teaching assistants, is expecting a baby! Miss Pattison will commence her maternity leave at October half term. We will advertise early in the autumn term for a TA to cover Miss Pattison's maternity leave.
- I am delighted to be able to let you know that we have appointed a new Teaching Assistant - Miss Storey will take up her post at the start of the autumn term. She will work alongside Miss Florek in Year 3. Miss Storey has worked in school previously on a supply basis providing both TA and teacher cover. We know she will be a great asset to our team!

Collection of Medication on Friday 21 July – if your child has medication (including inhalers/epi-pens) kept in school please remember to collect it from the class teacher by 3.00pm on Friday 21 July. Any medicines not collected will be disposed of. Medication can then be returned to school at the start of the autumn term when a new updated 'administering medicine' form should be completed.



School Meals – First Half of Autumn Term 2017 - The daily cost of a school lunch is £2.20. The cost of school meals for the first half of the autumn term 2017 for Years 3 and 4 is £72.60 (33 lunches x £2.20). Payment for meals should be made on the first day back after a holiday break. Parents can choose to pay for the cost of the full half term or to pay on a weekly basis. Cheques are to be made payable to NCC.

School Meals – Refunds where account in credit for 2016-2017. School meal registers will be balanced on Friday 21 July. Where a child has a credit on their account, the amount will be refunded to the parent/carers. If your child's account is in credit they will have a small brown envelope home with them on Tuesday containing the amount to be credited.