CORBRIDGE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL
Newsletter: Friday 13 November 2026

Dear Families,

The children have explored and discussed some big topics this week through class work and whole school worship.

We started our week with remembrance activities in school for the brave people and animals who have fought for, or alongside, our country. Thank you to all families who have contributed towards our collection for the Royal British Legion by buying poppies and other items. We have raised an amazing £95.50. I was very proud to see how many of our children were involved in parades and services locally on Remembrance Sunday, especially the wonderful flag bearers for Cubs, Scouts and Brownies!



They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

Reverend David spoke to the children on Tuesday about his grandfather's service in the Royal Navy as part of the Arctic Convoys and the special ways he remembers what a sacrifice he made for our country. This personal touch really helped the children to understand why this day is so important to so many people.

The choir recorded their video for the Northumberland Music Christmas Choir Competition on Tuesday. We will find out on 20th November whether we have reached the final, but, whether we do or not, I was so impressed with the energy and enthusiasm the children put into their performance. They should all be very proud of themselves.

We also welcomed our new teaching students: Miss. Sherwin (Year 4), Mr. Blaylock (Year 3) and Miss. Best (Year 2). Please do say hello and make them feel welcome!

Finally, the week ended with a Karate Day for all classes with Wayne from the Seiken Ryu Karate Association. This is always such a brilliant day and this year was no exception. The children behaved impeccably and showed some real talent throughout the day, helped along by their more experienced peers. Thank you to Wayne for donating a day of his time in order to facilitate this!

Have a lovely weekend, everyone!

S Hart and L Storey
Executive Head Teacher and Executive SENDCO

Attendance this week: 96.9%
Our weekly goal is 97% across the whole school.

1st	2nd	3rd
Year 2 with 98.8%	**Year 4 with 98.7%**	**Year 3 with 98.6%**

School Dinners
Week beginning Monday 16 November 2026 for Autumn Term 2, will be Week 1 of our menu

Additional Information:

- **Free School Meals**
  If you feel that your child may be eligible for free school meals, please read the criteria and make an application as soon as you can. Find out more on the Northumberland County Council website.
  To apply, please complete this form via Northumberland County Council.

- **The Corbridge Bookshelf: Reading for Pleasure**
  Each Friday, a book for each Key Stage will be shared for reading recommendations, to inspire reading for pleasure across our school.

  This week…… Stories to Remember - Remembrance & War

  EYFS - The Poppy Story *by Poppy Scotland*

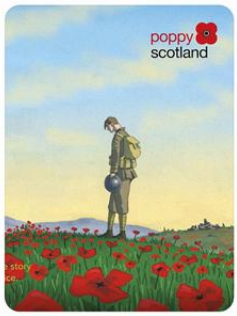
  Why do we wear poppies in November? This illustrated book helps children begin to understand remembrance and why we remember those affected by war.

  KS1 - Flo of the Somme *by Hilary Robinson*

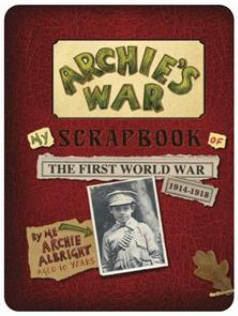
  Meet Flo, a brave dog who helped wounded soldiers during the First World War. A moving story celebrating the courage of animals during wartime.

  KS2 - Archie's War *by Marcia Williams*

  Discover what life was like during the First World War through the scrapbook of ten-year-old Archie. Packed with drawings, letters and memories, this book brings history to life.







The School Diary: Please remember to check for any new dates each week.

Dates in red are new dates which have been added

Date	Event	Notes
November 2026		
Thursday 12	Hexham Courant: Reception Class Photo published	Parentmail sent on 9.11.26
Week of Monday 16 November	Anti-Bullying Week	
Week of Monday 16 November	Nursery/Reception: Road Safety Week	
Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26	Book Fair: children to browse books during class/school day	Parentmail sent on 9.11.26
Thursday 26	Book Fair from 3:15pm - open to families	Parentmail sent on 9.11.26
Friday 27	Book Fair from 3:00pm - open to families	Parentmail sent on 9.11.26
Sunday 29	Adult roller skating at Wentworth (10am - 12pm)	Parentmail and sign up sent out 8.9.26
Monday 30	Book Fair from 3:15pm - open to families	Parentmail sent on 9.11.26
Monday 30	Closing Date for Christmas Bauble Decorating Competition	Parentmail sent on 11.11.26
December 2026		
Tuesday 1	Christingle Day in school	
Wednesday 2	PTFA: Christmas Movie Afternoon for Early Years (Nursery & Reception) During school hours (1pm - 3pm)	More details to follow
Wednesday 2	PTFA: Christmas Movie Night for Years 1, 2, 3, 4 From 3:15pm - 4:45pm	More details to follow
Friday 4 - Tuesday 8	Christmas Tree Festival at St Andrew's Church, Corbridge	
Friday 4	CFS/BFS Federation Choir singing at St Andrew's Church, 1:30pm	Open for all to watch

Monday 7 December	EYFS (Nursery & Reception) Decorations Day from 1:30pm - 3pm	More information to follow
Monday 7	CFS Choir singing at Late Night Christmas Shopping Event in Corbridge at 3:30pm	Open for all to watch in St Andrew's Church Yard
Tuesday 8	EYFS (Nursery/Reception) Christmas Performance at 2pm	More information to follow
Wednesday 9	M&M Productions in school for Cinderella show	More information to follow
Thursday 10	KS2 (Years 3 & 4) Christmas Performance at 2pm	More information to follow
Thursday 10	Primary Mental Health Team in school around the Christmas performance *Parents can seek advice & support directly	More information to follow
Friday 11	KS2 (Years 3 & 4) Singing in the Community at 1:15pm	More information to follow
Friday 11	KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Performance at 2pm	More information to follow
Friday 11	Primary Mental Health Team in school around the Christmas performance *Parents can seek advice & support directly	More information to follow
Monday 14	Year 4 Visit to Great North Museum	More information to follow
Monday 14	EYFS (Nursery/Reception) Christmas Party at 9:30am	More information to follow
Monday 14	KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Party at 1pm	More information to follow
Wednesday 16	Christmas Dinner Day	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Wednesday 16	Christmas Jumper Day	More information to follow
Thursday 17	KS2 (Years 3 & 4) Christmas Party (pm)	More information to follow
Friday 18	Carol Service 9:30am at St Andrew's Church	More information to follow

Friday 18 December	Special End of Term Lunch	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Friday 18	Last Day of School: Autumn Term 2	School closes at 1:30pm for Christmas holiday
Friday 18	No After School Wraparound Care due to school closing at 1:30pm	
January 2027		
Monday 4	School re-opens for Spring Term 1	
Thursday 14	Parent/Carer Workshop: Emotional Regulation at 2:30pm	More information to follow
Friday 15	Nursery Families: NCC Portal closes for Reception places (to start Reception in September 2027)	Parentmail sent 31.10.26
Friday 29	Rainbow Day *focus on wellbeing and positive body image	More information to follow
Friday 29	Rainbow Day Special Lunch	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Saturday 30	Choir Performance at 2:00pm for Reverend David Kennedy's Leaving Service at St Andrew's Church	More information to follow
February 2027		
Friday 12	Valentine's Special Lunch	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Friday 12	Last Day of School: Spring Term 1	
Monday 22	School Re-opens for Spring Term 2	
March 2027		
Thursday 4	Parent/Carer Workshop: Anxiety at 2:30pm	More information to follow

Thursday 25 March	Easter Special Lunch	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Thursday 25	Last Day of School: Spring Term 2	
April 2027		
Monday 12	School Re-opens for Summer Term 1	
May 2027		
Monday 3	Bank Holiday: School Closed	
Thursday 13	Class Photos	More information to follow
Friday 28	Last Day of School: Summer Term 1	
June 2027		
Monday 7	School Re-opens for Summer Term 2	
Wednesday 9	Year 4 - Visit to Beamish	More information to follow
Friday 18	Teddy Bears Picnic	More information to follow
Thursday 24	Year 4 - Leavers Service at Hexham Abbey (children only)	More information to follow
July 2027		
Thursday 15	Year 4 - Leavers Picnic at 3:15pm	More information to follow
Friday 16	Special Leavers Lunch	Menu to follow & invitations to be sent out to packed lunch children
Friday 16	Last Day of Summer Term 2	School closes at 1:30pm for Summer holiday
Friday 16	No After School Wraparound Care due to school closing at 1:30pm	