



CORBY PRIMARY ACADEMY

This half term has been very busy as always, but with the disruption of the snow we feel like we have been playing catch up since! For this reason, although it was on the calendar, we have decided not to take part in Sport Relief next Friday and will just be having the Yr 2 Cake Sale.

I hope we will not have any more disruption caused by the snow forecast this weekend, but if so then we will send out text messages to let you know. If you have not been receiving any emails or texts from school then please check with the office that we have the most up to date details for you, all parents should have received and sent back an up to date Data sheet recently.

Last Friday, 'TAKE OVER DAY', was possibly one of the best days I have ever had as a head teacher. All of the year 6 children took part with real enthusiasm, respect and professionalism in their new roles for the day and all the staff in school were incredibly impressed with them. I know that not only did the year 6 children enjoy their day but the other children in the school also enjoyed having a new teacher, teaching assistant or chef for the day. After the success of this event we will definitely be making this an annual event. The year 5's are already planning their letters of application!

I am very pleased to now be able share the news that Mrs Mutch and her husband are expecting their first child in July. Mrs Mutch is planning to work for the rest of the summer term in Panthers class before going on maternity leave.

Nikki Lamond - Principal

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Outdoor Development

In the last newsletter I told you about our outdoor development project. We are still waiting to hear back about our bids for money to help us on our fundraising journey, but are still keen to hear from any companies, businesses or individuals that might be able to help us either with fundraising, resources or man power to help us improve and develop the outdoor space for our children and families.

THE BIG PEDAL

23rd April – 4th May 2018



This year we have chosen to take part in the Big Pedal, a nationwide competition where schools compete to see who can record the highest proportion of their pupils, staff and parents cycling or scooting to school. The school's best 5 days will determine our final finishing position, with a chance to win bikes, cycle storage or a bike stunt show at school.

All we need is for as many families as possible to try to bike or scooter to school each day over the two week period. We will record the journeys online and be able to see how we are doing compared to other schools both locally and nationally.



Reading Books

In order to support and develop children's reading in school and to help them find books that they might enjoy to read we have bought into a new online system called Reading Cloud.

This will allow children and staff to search for books in our school around themes, topics or authors; write books reviews for others and 'take out' books as if they were visiting a library.

Reading Cloud will also allow us to monitor our stock, find out what books are popular and keep the choice of books up to date. In order to be able to use this system we need to catalogue all our books onto the online database. To get a company in to

do this would cost the school at least £1000 which I would rather spend on books themselves and therefore we are very

keen to see if any parents, friends or relatives would be interested in helping us catalogue our existing books. If you

have an hour or two to spare (or possibly more!) then please pop in to the office or drop me an email, all help will be gratefully

received (there's no need to be great at English as it just involves scanning

barcodes and pressing save on the computer!!)



This half terms Value in school is **Courage**. The children are learning about what it means to have courage and be brave in a range of different situations, including their relationships, friendships and with their work in school.



ClassDojo

It has been lovely to see how much everyone has engaged in ClassDojo. It is a great way to share learning in class and communicate easily with your class teacher.

Can you please ensure that your child is not using your parent account to post messages or add to the pupil or class stories. Children can be set up with their own account to post to their story. If you don't yet have a dojo account or are having any issues then please see your child's teacher who can send you a new link to get set up.

Term Dates 2017/2018

End of Spring Term: Thursday 29th March 2018
 Start of Summer Term: Tuesday 17th April 2018
 Spring Half Term: 28th May - 1st June 2018
 End of Summer Term: Friday 20th July 2018

Term Dates 2018/2019

Start of Autumn Term: Wednesday 5th Sept 2018
 Autumn Half Term: 22nd—26th October 2018
 End of Autumn Term: Wednesday 19th Dec 2018
 Start of Spring Term: Monday 7th Jan 2019
 Spring Half term: 18th - 22nd Feb 2019
 End of Spring Term: Friday 5th April 2019
 Start of Summer Term: Wednesday 24th April 2019
 Spring Half Term: 27th May - Tues 4th June 2019
 End of Summer Term: Wednesday 24th July 2019

Dates for your Diary

21st March 2018 - Year 1 Space Centre Trip
 22nd March 2018 - Tigers Class Assembly
 23rd March 2018 - Yr2 Cake Sale
 26th and 27th March 2018 - Year 4 Production
 18th - 20th April 2018 - Year 4 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes
 20th April 2018 - Yr 1 Cake Sale
 11th May 2018 - Reception Cake Sale
 14th - 17th May 2018 -Year 6 SATs Week
 18th May 2018 -PTA Disco

