

Corbridge Middle School



Friday 21st March 2025

Thank you to everyone at home for supporting our Red Nose Day, not only with your kind donations, but also for helping pupils to prepare some incredible bakes to sell. In total, after a quick count, we have raised over £500.00 which is brilliant and we'll get that sent off next week. We've still got a few places left for our KS3 Careers Fayre in April and are looking for a wide range of work sectors to share with our pupils. Please contact school for a chat if you think you can help. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hamilton



School Council Impress!

This week, we have welcomed Northumberland's Safeguarding team into school, who visit us termly, to ensure our safeguarding systems and procedures are as robust as possible. They met with our School Council to discuss policies, practice and also collect their views about how safe they feel here at CMS. As always, our pupils spoke honestly, and very positively about life here as a pupil. We were delighted to receive feedback from the team who felt that our School Council are a 'credit to CMS' (we think so too)!

Reminder...

Our safeguarding posters are on display all around school so that pupils know who they can talk to if they have any worries or concerns. We have four Designated Safeguarding Leads who are regularly trained in effective practice to ensure our school remains safe. If you have a safeguarding worry or concern, please contact one of our DSLs. If you are concerned about a child or young person's safety, you can also contact [NCC Safeguarding Team](#).

MEET YOUR CMS SAFEGUARDING TEAM



MRS HAMILTON



MR JOHNSTON



MRS PARKIN

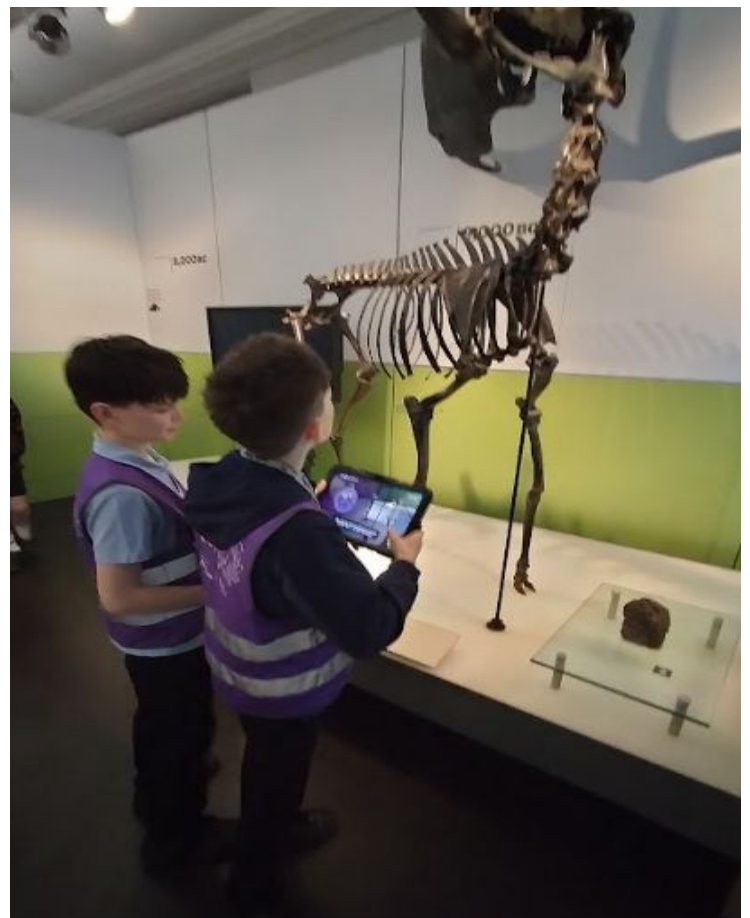


MRS ARMSTRONG



Curriculum Corner

Recently, pupils in Year 5 and 6 visited The Great North Museum in Newcastle and had the opportunity to explore the museum in an interactive and innovative way. Using Ipad, they worked in groups to complete different challenges in various historical areas of the museum.



Curriculum Corner

As part of the Y6 Rivers topic, we have been investigating different Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDs) that are in place around the school grounds. Pupils are then using this knowledge to investigate opportunities around the school grounds to prevent our playing areas becoming flooded from surface water runoff. Great work, Y6!



Curriculum Corner

With the glorious spring weather this week, and as part of their Modern Egypt topic, Year 5 pupils have taken their classroom outside. They have been finding out some facts about the Aswan High Dam. They have also been investigating some of the advantages and disadvantages of this dam for the people of Egypt.



For Your Information



Easter 'Eggstravaganza' - our hard-working PTA are holding an Easter raffle. Tickets are 20p and pupils can purchase them in school each lunchtime over the coming weeks. The draw will be held on **Friday 11th April**, just before we finish for the Easter holidays.



Tickets for our Easter discos are now on sale!

KS2 - Wednesday 9th April from 6:30pm - 8:00pm

KS3 - Thursday 10th April from 6:30pm - 8:00pm

All tickets are priced at £5.00 which includes a hotdog and juice.

Tickets can be purchased on School Gateway by accessing 'payments' and going to 'KS2 Disco' or 'KS3 Disco'.

**Free
School
Meals** 
Are you entitled?

If you feel you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) it is important that you apply as FSM eligibility means other resources may be available to our school and your child, including pupil premium. You could save hundreds of pounds each year. The government has made amendments to the eligibility criteria since April 2018. Please visit [NCC's School Meals Page](#) where you will find the criteria, and also a link to an application form.



Our dedicated Fashion Frogs will be running their usual uniform stall at next Wednesday's parents' evening. If you're short of any items, they'll help you to find what you need in return for a small, voluntary donation.



We are currently trying to spruce up our garden area, so if anyone has any ceramic pots that they no longer want or use, we'd love to take them off your hands! Please contact the school office and we could arrange collection.



Please be advised that The Lion King rehearsal scheduled for **Tuesday 1st April will not take place**, as we will be holding Parents' Evening that night. Rehearsals will resume as normal the following week. Thank you for your understanding.

CORBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL



"WANTS

YOU"



**We need your help. Are you able to host a stall?
CAREERS FAYRE EXHIBITORS REQUIRED
3rd April, 9am till noon. All work sectors welcome**

CONTACT: admin@corbridgemiddle.co.uk

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Good attendance is vital for children to achieve well and be happy at school. Children who are absent regularly may fall behind or be unhappy coming to school. As a school, we monitor attendance closely and will be sharing weekly attendance figures with you in our Friday Flyer. If you are struggling to get your child into school, please talk to us. We can help!

Attendance figures for w/b: 17th March

5B 96.90%	5M 96.46%	5BR 96.95%
6D 96.64%	6J 96.48%	6S 96.09%
7CH 94.79%	7WT 95.13%	7P 95.31%
8CR 95.90%	8V 95.59%	8W 94.09%

Congratulations to 5BR who are this week's attendance winners and will go in first for lunch on Monday!



Did you know...

If your child's attendance during the school year was...

Your child lost approximately...

95%

9 days from school

90%

19 days from school

85%

29 days from school

80%

38 days from school

75%

48 days from school



Struggling to get your child into school?

Talk to us – we're here to **help**.

Upcoming Sporting Fixtures

Date	Event	Venue	Time	Year group/s
Thursday 27th March	Indoor Cricket	The Parks, North Shields	9:00am - 3:00pm	Y7 / Y8
Thursday 3rd April	Rugby	Percy Park	12:30pm - 3:30pm	Y8
Friday 4th April	Rugby	Kingston Park	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Y7
Friday 4th April	Flag Football	Gateshead	12:30pm - 3:00pm	Y5 - Y8
Monday 7th April	Football	CMS	TBC	Y7 / Y8
Tuesday 8th April	Tag Rugby	Tynedale RFC	TBC	

To ensure pupil safety, we always advise that pupils wear shin pads and a gum shield when playing team sports.



Congratulations to Molly who has been nominated by Mrs Child for showing respect and responsibility. Hannah, Josie and Pearl have all impressed Mrs Parkin with their consistent, excellent attitude. Fabulous achievements everyone - keep up the good work!

Well Done!



For Your Information

As you are aware, we are trialling a new draft homework policy this year. The policy aims to provide an approach that is gradually progressive in terms of setting homework, so that as pupils get older they feel more prepared for the next stage of their education and are able to meet the demands of homework in Y9 and beyond. Therefore, if your child is in Y7 or Y8, they can expect the following homework over the next few weeks. We will share the schedule for the next half term in a few weeks.

English and Maths will continue to be set on a weekly basis.

Week beginning when homework will be set	7WT	7CH	7P
3rd March			
10th March	Geography due by 25th March	Geography due by 27th March	Geography due by 27th March
17th March	History due 7th April	History due 11th April	History due 7th April
24th March	Science due 31st March	Science due 31st March	Science due 31st March
31st March			
7th April			
Easter Holidays			

Week beginning when homework will be set	8V	8C	8W
3rd March			
10th March	Geography due 27th March	Geography due 24th March	Geography due 27th March
17th March	History due 11th April	History due 10th April	History due 8th April
24th March	Science due 7th April	Science due 7th April	Science due 7th April
31st March	RE due 11th April	RE due 11th April	RE due 11th April
7th April			
Easter Holidays			

For Y8, French will continue to set frequent tasks, as usual, where pupils are expected to learn new vocabulary.

Friday 21st March, from 19:30-21:00, at Hexham Air Cadets.

Wednesday 26th March, from 19:30-21:00, at Hexham Air Cadets.

These nights are designed to allow the young members of our school who have an interest in air, space and cyber to come along and to see what Cadets have to offer.

It is an incredibly exciting time for the Squadron as they are looking to invite the young people of our local community to join them. They guarantee a combination of adventure, opportunity and fun that Air Cadets offers anywhere else, and with over 1,000 units nationwide they're probably closer than you think. Cadets and adult volunteers all gain the same second-to-none experience where you can make lasting friendships and build upon your confidence, skills and achievements.

There is also the opportunity to gain several BTEC awards through their qualification system. This allows young people to gain the equivalent of 10 GCSE's with us. They also aim to continue the excellent work carried out in schools by promoting citizenship at the highest level and helping to develop the young people who step through their doors into community minded, independent and well-rounded young adults.

At this point they would like to stress that although they work closely with the RAF, they are not a recruiting organisation.

AIR CADETS

Aged 12-17

JOIN US - CADET



VISIT OR CALL US TO FIND OUT MORE

www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets

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#REACHINGFORTHESTARS

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about STREAMERS

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities – and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT



Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.

NEGATIVE INFLUENCES



While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.

FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.

UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS



Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.

MISINFORMATION



Streamers are, in many ways, just like us – and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.

ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

Advice for Parents & Educators

EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS



For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that – influencing young minds, for better or for worse.

DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION



Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.

CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS



While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers – despite many being dogged by controversy.

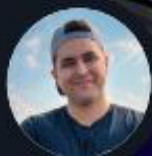
SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS



You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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Clubs

Monday		
10.50- 11.10	Quiet Zone in L13	Mrs Scott
12 05 - 12 35	Dance Club with Pip.	Pip & Mrs Parkin
12.35 - 1.05	Library	Mrs Ramsay
12. 35 - 1.05	Art (Invite only in L13)	Miss Blenkarn
12. 35 - 1.05	Quiet Zone (Invite only)	Mrs Scott
12.35 - 1.05	Year 8 Gardening	Mrs Thornton
12.35 - 1.05	Pokemon Club	Mr Delap
12.35 - 1.05	Lego Club (Invite only in L7)	Mrs Parkin
Tuesday		
10.50- 11.10	Quiet Zone in L13	Mrs Scott
12.35 - 1.05	Library	Mrs Ramsay
12:05-12:35	Yoga Club Hall	Mrs Phillips
12.05 – 1.00	KS2 Corbridge Youth Initiative Drop in session.	Youth Initiative staff and Mrs Armstrong
12.35 - 1.05	Games Club	Miss Allen
12. 35 - 1.05	Quiet Zone (Invite only)	Mrs Scott
12. 35 - 1.05	Art (Invite only in L13)	Ms Blenkarn
12.35-1.05	Block Building	Mr Johnston
3:30pm - 4:30pm	School Production - drama / singing / dancing	Mrs Brown / Ms Esposito
Wednesday		
10.50- 11.10	Quiet Zone in L13	Mrs Scott
12:05 - 12:35	Choir (U6)	Ms Esposito
12.35 - 1.05	Library	Mrs Ramsay
12:05- 1:05	Homework Club (L8)	Miss Bell
12.35-1.05	Friendship Club KS2	Mrs. Liddle
12. 35 - 1.05	Quiet Zone (Invite only)	Mrs Scott
Thursday		
10.50- 11.10	Quiet Zone in L13	Mrs Scott
12.05 - 12.35	KS2 Boys Football	Mr McKee
12.35 - 1.05	Quiet Zone (Invite Only)	Miss Allan
12.35 - 1.05	Library	Mrs Ramsay
12:05 - 1:05	Homework Club (L8)	Mrs Hamilton
12. 35 - 1.05	KS2 baking (Invite only)	Mrs Scott
12.35 - 1.05	Games Club	Mrs Parkin
12:05 - 12:35	Year 5 Gardening Club	Mr Delap
Friday		
10.50- 11.10	Quiet Zone in L13	Mrs Scott
12.05 - 1.05	Chess Club L5	Mr Swinney
12.35 - 1.05	Library	Mrs Ramsay
12.35-1.05	Friendship Club KS3	Mrs. Liddle
12. 35 - 1.05	KS2 Baking (Invite only)	Mrs Scott
12.35 - 1.05	Quiet Zone (Invite Only)	Miss Allan
12.35 - 1.05	Board Games (Invite Only L13)	Mrs Parkin
12:35 - 1:05	Cheerleading Club	Mrs Hamilton / Pip

Lunch Menu for week beginning Monday 24th March

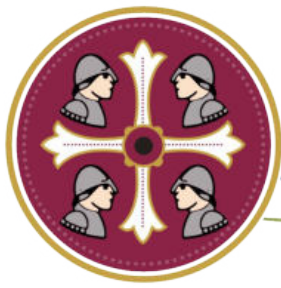
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course	Tomato & Basil Pasta (68g) & Garlic Bread (14g) Ⓢ Ⓝ	Chicken Curry (8g) & Rice (45g) Ⓝ	Roast of the Day (0g) & Yorkshire Pudding (10g) Ⓝ Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Bolognese (4g), Pasta (60g) & Garlic Bread (14g) Ⓝ Ⓢ	Sausage Roll (26g) & Chips (25g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ
	Cheese Flan (22g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Vegetarian Curry (8g) & Rice (45g) Ⓝ	Vegetarian Sausage (5g) & Yorkshire Pudding (10g) Ⓝ Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ	Veg. Bolognese (4g), Pasta (60g) & Garlic Bread (14g) Ⓝ Ⓢ Ⓣ	Pizza (33g) & Chips (25g) Ⓢ Ⓣ
	Baked Potato with Beans (60g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Baked Potato with Cheese (45g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Baked Potato with Tuna (45g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Cheese Panini (40g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Ham & Cheese Panini (40g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ
Vegetables	Sweetcorn (12g), Peas (9g), Salad (1g) Ⓢ	Seasonal Veg (10g), Salad (1g) Ⓢ	Seasonal Veg (10g), Roast Potatoes (25g), Salad (1g) Ⓢ	Seasonal Veg (10g), Salad (1g) Ⓢ	Baked Beans (11g), Peas (9g), Salad (1g) Ⓢ
	Steamed Ginger Sponge (32g) & Custard (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Iced Cake (33g) & Custard (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Apple Crumble (33g) & Custard (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Chocolate Cake (33g) & Custard (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Iced Cake (33g) & Juice (8g) Ⓢ Ⓣ
Desserts	Angel Delight (12g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Fresh Fruit (5g - 25g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Ice Cream (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Juice (8g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Yoghurt (8g) Ⓢ Ⓣ
	Cheese & Crackers (20g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Iced Cake (18g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Jelly (16g) Ⓢ Ⓣ		
Extras	Panini (fillings & details as above) £1.30 Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ	Rock Bun £0.70 (28g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Toast & Jam £0.15 (23g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ	Ketchup Sachet £0.10 (2g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	Sandwich (fillings & details as above) £1.00 Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ	Brownie £0.60 (20g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Crumpet £0.25 (17g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ	Viva Milk 200ml £0.58 (10g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	Bacon Sandwich £1.00 (30g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ	Flapjack £0.60 (30g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	½ Toasted Teacake £0.40 (17g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ	Fruit Juice 200ml £0.45 (23g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	S/sage S/wich £1.00 (36g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ	Cheese Scone £0.60 (26g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Raisin Box £0.20 (32g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ	Radnor Fruits 200ml £0.45 (12g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	Sausage Roll £1.00 (26g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ Ⓥ Ⓦ	Chocolate Cookie £0.60 (37g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Pasta £1.00 (60g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Radnor Splash 250ml £0.50 (1g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	Cheese & Crackers £0.40 (20g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Biscuit £0.40 (16g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Rice £1.00 (45g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Radnor Spring Water 250ml £.80 (0g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	
	Fresh Fruit £0.25 (5g - 25g) Ⓢ Ⓣ	Muffin £0.25 (16g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ	Chips £1.00 (25g) Ⓢ Ⓣ Ⓤ		

Celery Ⓝ Cereals w/ Gluten Ⓢ Crustaceans Ⓣ Egg Ⓤ Fish Ⓥ Lupin Ⓦ Milk Ⓧ Molluscs Ⓨ Mustard Ⓩ Sesame Seeds ⓐ Soya ⓑ Sulphur Dioxide ⓓ Vegetarian ⓔ
 (g) - Approx. Grams Carbs/Serving. Bread may contain traces of sesame. Whilst every effort has been made to remove bones, some small ones may remain. We are a nut free school.

A reminder of this year's homework schedule from our draft policy

	Y5	Y6	Y7	Y8
Autumn	Weekly: English Spellings Maths	Weekly: English Spellings Grammar Maths	Weekly: English Maths Termly: 1 x Extended Learning Assignment: Art, FT, Computing, PSHE, Music, PE	Weekly: English Maths Termly: 2 x Extended Learning Assignments: Art, FT, Computing, PSHE, Music, PE
Spring	Weekly: English Spellings Maths	Weekly: English Spellings Grammar Maths	Weekly: English Maths One piece per half term from each of the following subjects: Science, History, Geography	Weekly: English Maths One piece per half term from each of the following subjects: Science, History, Geography, MFL, RE
Summer	Weekly: English Spellings Grammar Maths	Weekly: English Spellings Grammar Maths	Weekly: English Maths One piece per half term from each of the following subjects: Science, History, Geography	Weekly: English Maths One piece per half term from each of the following subjects: Science, History, Geography, MFL, RE
Reading	Pupils are expected to read on a daily, or frequent, basis. Confident readers may read to themselves, whereas less-fluent readers will benefit from reading aloud to an adult.			
Numeracy	Pupils are expected to learn their tables from 2 to 12. They should be able to recite them and answer mixed questions at speed. Until pupils can do this confidently, we ask that they practise at home several times a week.			
Languages	Pupils are expected to learn vocabulary or grammar on a frequent basis.			





Corbridge Middle School

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 26th March	Parents' Evening	4:00pm - 7:00pm
Tuesday 1st April	Parents' Evening	4:00pm - 7:00pm
Wednesday 2nd April	Coffee morning 9:30am - 10:45am	Coffee, chat and a tour of school with Mrs Hamilton Please complete this form if you are going to attend.
Wednesday 9th April	KS2 Easter Disco	6:30pm - 8:00pm
Thursday 10th April	KS3 Easter Disco	6:30pm - 8:00pm
Friday 11th April	School closes for Easter holidays	
Monday 28th April	School re-opens	

FAMILY FUN OPEN MORNING



**Saturday
5th April
10am-12pm**

**Fun
activities
& play!**



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