



Comber Grove Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Friday, 20th January 2023

Quote for the week:

'If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours.' - Dolly Parton

A message from our Headteacher

Dear Comber Grove families,

This week we looked at the value of **'Empathy'** - being able to stand in someone else's shoes, to see through their eyes. Well Done to all our pupils for always showing the value of Empathy on a daily basis!

Teacher Strike- Wednesday, 1st February 2023

The country's biggest teaching union, have voted in favour of a national strike. There will be several days of strike action by their teacher members over the next few months. The first proposed day of action will be held on **Wednesday, 1st February 2023**. At this time, we are currently assessing the situation for Comber Grove Primary School and looking at ways in which we will be able to manage the strike. I will be in touch on Monday, 23rd January 2023 detailing our plans for the day but wanted to make you aware that there is a possibility we will have to close the school to the children on this day.

Coats

As the weather has yet again turned this week, please remember to send your child to school in a jumper and with a warm coat. Please make sure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their full name and class.

Happy Chinese New Year!

The Chinese New Year starts somewhere between 21st January and 20th February. The date differs from year to year because it follows an ancient farmer calendar which is based on the phases of the moon.

We would like to wish all our families
A very **Happy Chinese New Year**.



Wishing you all a very restful and safe weekend,
Lorram Black and Team Comber Grove

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Stars of the Week



Value of the Week: EMPATHY		
Class:	Pupil:	Reason:
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	Kadidjah	Always showing kindness to others
	Emanuel	Always showing kindness to others
Year 2 David Attenborough	Jack	Well done for being an amazing member of class and showing kindness to others.
	Cheryl	Well done for being an amazing member of class and showing kindness to others.
Year 3 Mo Farah	Hannah	Thank you for helping a new pupil and making them feel welcome to our class.
	Tianna	Thank you for always showing kindness to others.
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	Sufyyan	Thank you for caring for others in our class.
	Jennifer	Thank you for caring for others in our class.
Year 5/6 Mae Jemison	Raiyan	For ensuring that the new pupil feels settled in our classroom.
	Narin	For ensuring that the new pupil feels settled in our classroom.
Year 6 Olive Morris	Harley	Thank you for always showing empathy towards others.
	Dion	Thank you for always showing empathy towards others.



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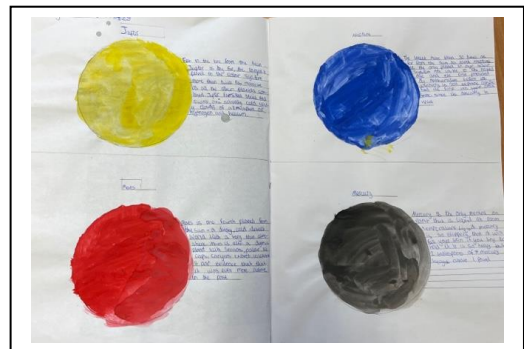
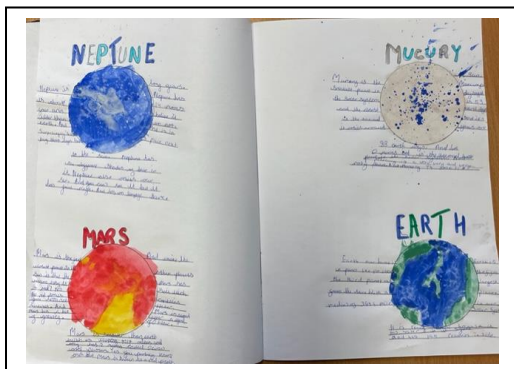
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How have we used ART in other subjects this term?



Year 5 and 6 have been enjoying their topic on Earth and Space.



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!!!

Can We Help?

Your child's school attendance is very important, and we are here to help. If you need support to increase your child's attendance, please contact any member of the Safeguarding and Wellbeing Team (Mr Black, Ms Fielding, Mrs Anchebe, Ms Rowe or Ms Trent).

Call the school on: **020 7703 4168** or email: office@combergrove.southwark.sch.uk

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Days off school add up to lost learning!

175 NON-SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, household jobs and other appointments.

0 DAYS ABSENCE (190 school days) 100%	6 DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE 96%	15 DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE 92%	19 DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE Below 90% (Persistent Absentee)
EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE	SATISFACTORY ATTENDANCE	REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT	CAUSE FOR CONCERN
Best chance of SUCCESS!	Harder to make good progress.	Less chance of success.	Serious concern. Possible court action!

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every student, every day

Attendance Winners

School Target: 95.6%	This week's attendance: 90%
Years 1, 2 and 3	Year 4, 5 and 6
<u>Well Done:</u> Mo Farah 92.6%	<u>Well Done:</u> Olive Morris 94.2%
Class:	Attendance:
Reception Maggie Aderin-Pocock	78.9%
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	90.6%
Year 2 David Attenborough	90.1%
Year 3 Mo Farah	92.6%
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	87.9%
Year 5/6 Mae Jemison	89.6%
Year 6 Olive Morris	94.2%

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School Information and Events

 Dates for your Diary 	
Friday, 27 th January 2023	Coffee Morning at 9:30am Come and hear from Carmen Lindsay (MBE) from CASP (Camberwell After School Project) and how they can help us
Friday, 27 th January 2023	Camberwell Safer Neighbourhood Police Visit to school
Monday, 6 th to Friday, 10 th February 2023	Children's Mental Health Week, THEME: 'Let's Connect'
Wednesday, 8 th February 2023	SCHOOL DISCO (times to be confirmed)
Thursday, 9 th February 2023	Full Governing Body Meeting at 5pm
Friday, 10 th February 2023	School closing at 3:15pm for Spring Half term
Half Term: Monday, 13th to Friday, 17th February 2023	
Monday, 20 th February 2023	First day of Spring Term 2
Wednesday, 1 st March 2023	National offer day for Secondary Schools
Thursday, 2 nd March 2023	World Book Day
Friday, 3 rd March 2023	Parent Coffee morning at 9:30am
Monday, 6 th to Friday, 10 th March 2023	Assessment Week
Friday, 10 th March to Sunday, 19 th March 2023	British Science Week –THEME: 'Connections'
Thursday, 16 th March 2023	Staffing Committee Meeting at 4pm
Thursday, 23 rd March 2023	Full Governing Body Meeting at 5pm Beginning of Ramadan
Friday, 24 th March 2023	Parent OPEN Day
Wednesday, 29 th March 2023	SPRING Fair
Friday, 31 st March 2023	End of Spring Term. School closing at 2pm

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CASP (Camberwell Afterschool Project) PARENT COFFEE MORNING Friday, 27th January 2023

Do you need Breakfast Club?

**Does your child need After School
Provision?**

**Do you know how to apply for support
for Clubs?**

Holiday Clubs at Easter and Summer

Come and find out more from
Carmen Lindsay (CASP-CEO) on **Friday,**
27th January 2023 at **9:30am** in the
Lower Hall.

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Southwark Children and Family Centres
Peckham, Peckham Rye and Nunhead

INCREDIBLE YEARS AUTISM PROGRAMME

The Incredible Years Autism Programme offers great strategies for promoting children's language skills, school readiness, emotional self-regulation, social skills, empathy, and building positive relationships. It provides evidence-based strategies for parents and carers to enhance their parenting confidence and understanding of the valuable role that they play in promoting their children's development.

Starting Wednesday 22nd
February 2023 10am -12pm,
every Wednesday for 14
weeks

Book your place
02038485780
Childrenscentre@ivydale.
southwark.sch.uk

Rye Oak Children & Family Centre
Whorlton Road SE15 3PD



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Vacancy

We are looking to recruit 2
Midday Meal Supervisors.

Do you have any time
between 11:30am and
1:30pm everyday?

Come and speak to us in the
Office.