

Friday, 03rd March 2023

Quote for the week:

'The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.' – Coretta Scott King

A message from our Headteacher

Dear Comber Grove families,

This week's whole school value: **COMMUNITY!**

Covid-19, although a distant memory has had and still is having an impact on how we, the community of Comber Grove Primary School are supporting the school, our children and each other. Comber Grove Primary School needs families who support the ethos of the school, spread positive messages about the school and contribute to the school in many small ways. Are **YOU** making Comber Grove Primary School 'the school of choice'?

Today, the children of Comber Grove Primary School, once again, demonstrated the true value of **COMMUNITY** in a very real way. Thank you and Well Done to everybody who dressed up as a book character and celebrated World Book Day! This is a true example of community where our children can teach us adults how to accept each other, despite our many differences.

'Each one of us can make a difference. Together we make change!'.



Thank you all for your ongoing support and encouragement!

Have a restful weekend!

Lorram Black and Team Comber Grove



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WORLD BOOK DAY Friday, 03rd March 2023



















"World Book Day is an opportunity to appreciate books and celebrate authors."

THANK YOU everyone for joining in our World Book celebration today!



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Supporting Reading at Home



TEN tips to support children to read:

Encourage your child to read
Read aloud regularly
Encouraging reading choice
Read together
Create a comfortable environment
Talk about books
Bring reading to life
Make use of your local library

Parent reading strategies

How parents can support children on their reading journey



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A New BUG HOTEL

Thank you to
Equans
for their generous
donation of a new
Bug Hotel.



Bug hotels benefit lots of different types of minibeast and insects such as ladybirds, bees, spiders and woodlice.

Minibeasts can then use your bug hotel as a safe space to shelter, lay their eggs, raise their young, and seek refuge from predators.





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Stars of the Week



Value of the Weels COMMINITY			
Value of the Week: COMMUNITY			
Class:	Pupil:	Reason:	
Year 1	Daniel	For showing community spirit in	
Benjamin Zephaniah		teamwork.	
	Jamilatu	For showing community spirit in	
		teamwork.	
Year 2	Zidan	For always contributing in the class and	
David Attenborough		helping others.	
	Emir	For always contributing in the class and	
		helping others.	
Year 3			
Mo Farah			
Year 4	Jayden	Welcome to our class! For joining our Year	
Marcus Rashford		4 class and becoming an amazing	
Marcos Rasmora		member of our community.	
	Escarlin	Welcome to our class! For joining our Year	
		4 class and becoming an amazing	
		member of our community.	
Year 5/6	Alex	Working well with peers. Well Done!	
Mae Jemison	Emari	Working well with peers. Well Done!	
Year 6	Whole class	For working well with each other on the	
Olive Morris		TfL and Citizenship trip!	
	Whole class	For working well with each other on the	
		TfL and Citizenship trip!	





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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



Days off school add up to lost learning!				
175 NON-SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR				
175 days to spella	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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Attendance Winners		
School Target: 95.6%	This week's attendance: 93.3%	
Years R, 1, 2 and 3	Year 4, 5 and 6	
Well Done:	Well Done:	
Aderin Pocock	Mae Jemison	
99.1%	93.9%	
Class:	Attendance:	
Reception Maggie Aderin-Pocock	99.1%	
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	93.8%	
Year 2 David Attenborough	88.8%	
Year 3 Mo Farah	94.7%	
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	90.8%	
Year 5/6 Mae Jemison	93.9%	
Year 6 Olive Morris	93.2%	



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School Information and Events

Dates foryour Diary Dates foryour Diary Dates foryour Diary Dates foryour Diary		
Monday, 6 th to Friday, 10 th March 2023	Assessment Week	
Friday, 10 th March to	British Science Week –THEME: 'Connections'	
Sunday, 19th March 2023		
Wednesday, 15 th March 2023	Teacher Strike Action (tbc)	
Thursday, 16 th March 2023	Staffing Committee Meeting at 4pm	
	Teacher Strike Action (tbc)	
Thursday, 23 rd March 2023	Beginning of Ramadan	
Friday, 24 th March 2023	Parent OPEN Day (more information to follow closer to the time!)	
Sunday, 26 th March 2023	British Summer Time (clocks spring forward by 1 hour)	
Wednesday, 29 th March 2023	SPRING Fair	
Monday, 27 th March 2023	LA Progress Review Meeting	
Friday, 31st March 2023	End of Spring Term. School closing at 2pm	
EASTER HOLIDAY: Monday, 3 rd April to Friday, 14 th April 2023		
Monday, 17 th April 2023	INSET DAY for staff (School closed to pupils)	
	TRAUMA Training for all staff!	
Tuesday, 18th April 2023	First day after EASTER Holiday	
	(Beginning of Summer Term 1)	
Monday, 1st May 2023	May Day Bank Holiday (School closed)	
Monday, 8 th May 2023	Coronation Bank Holiday (School closed)	
Tuesday, 9 th to Friday, 13 th May 2023	KS2 SATS (Time table to follow)	
Half Term (School closed): A	Monday, 29 th May 2023 to Friday, 2 nd June 2023	
Monday, 5 th June 2023	INSET DAY for staff (School closed to pupils)	
Tuesday, 6 th June 2023	First day after Half term (Summer Term 2)	
Monday, 5 th June to Friday, 16 th June 2023	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)	
Monday 12 th to Friday, 16 th June 2023	KS1 Phonics Screening Check	
Monday, 12 th to Wednesday, 14 th June 2023	Year 6 Residential to Mersea (Essex Outdoors)	
Friday, 21st July 2023	Last day of Summer Term. School closing at 2pm	



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SPRING FAIR Wednesday, 29th March 2023



Please put this date in your dairy.

We would like to invite as many parents/ carers as possible to help plan our Spring Fair this year.

Please speak to Ms Joanne Fielding if you are able to offer your help, support, volunteer!!!



Community

Pride

Empathy

Happiness

Individuality

Creativity



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After Diagnosis - Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) An Online Workshop for Parents and Carers after your child's assessment with ARD Service

Meet other families from Lambeth and Southwark and ask your questions to the Speech and Language Therapists

	Date	Time
Children Under 5	Monday 27th February 2023	10:00 - 11:30am
Years	Wednesday 1 st March 2023	1:00 - 2:30pm
	Tuesday 28th March 2023	10:00 - 11:30am

	Date	Time
Primary Age Children	Monday 27th February 2023	1:00 - 2:30pm
(approx. 5-11 years)	Monday 13 th February 2023	10:00 - 11:30am
	Tuesday 28th March 2023	1:00 - 2:30pm

Secondary Age Young	Date	Time
	Monday 13th February 2023	1:00 - 2:30pm
People (12 years +)	Wednesday 1st March 2023	10:00 - 11:30am

How to book - email your details to gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net

- include your name, your child's name / date of birth
- date you wish to attend
- add 'After diagnosis Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder' workshop as the subject of your email

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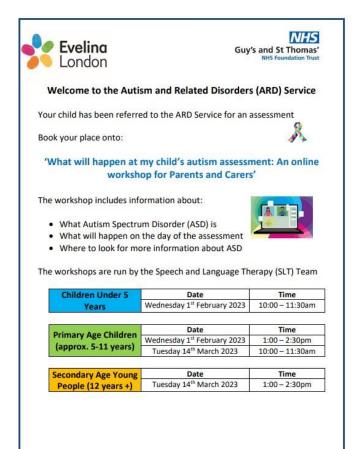
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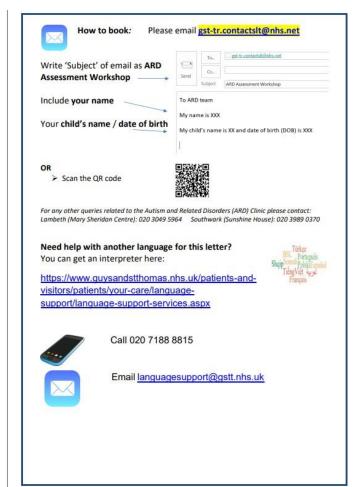


For any other queries related to the Autism and Related Disorders (ARD) Clinic please contact: Lambeth (Mary Sheridan Centre): 020 3049 5964 Southwark (Sunshine House): 020 3989 0370



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