



Comber Grove Primary School Weekly Newsletter Summer Term 1



Friday, 05th May 2023

Quote for the week:

'Facta. Non Verba.' Actions speak louder than words

A message from our Headteacher

Dear Comber Grove families,

Coronation of King Charles III

As I am sure you will be aware, the Coronation of His Majesty The King will take place on **Saturday, 6th May 2023** at Westminster Abbey, London, and will be conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Ceremony will see His Majesty King Charles III crowned alongside The Queen Consort.

The Coronation will reflect the monarch's role today and look towards the future, while being rooted in longstanding traditions and pageantry.

The investiture will form part of a long weekend filled with celebrations for the new monarch, ranging from street parties to concerts.

The service has been planned to be representative of different faiths and community groups, in line with the King's wish to reflect the ethnic diversity of modern Britain. He will still pledge to be "Defender of the Faith" in the Coronation oath, but palace aides and church officials plan to add further words that will allow the King to recognise he serves all religions.

This week, I have been taking time to reflect on the theme of **service to others**. When we serve, we look outside of ourself, beyond our own problems, and seek to bring value to others. In my own experience, by serving others, **you feel a sense of purpose**. Having a positive impact on someone else's life reminds you of the value you bring and gives your life purpose. This feeling of fulfilment leads to happiness.

Our children enjoyed their Coronation Lunch today in their finest **'inner royalty'** outfits! They all looked very royal and regal today!

Wishing you a wonderful week and hoping you enjoy the long weekend.

Lorram Black and Team Comber Grove



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Year 6 SATS:

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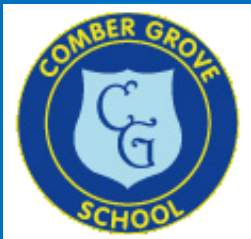
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As you know, our children will be sitting their Standard Assessment Tests (SATs) starting on Tuesday, 9th May 2023.

The children have worked really hard in order to prepare for their tests and it is very important to support them as much as possible.

Throughout their time here at Comber Grove Primary School, it has become clear that we have incredibly talented, kind, passionate and resilient pupils that we are all extremely proud of.

There is no doubt that we have future scientists, singers, authors, actors and athletes. We truly hope that they never forget the love of learning and educational enquiry that they all have. Looking back over the unprecedented events that they have all overcome in the past just shows that they are truly unstoppable – you all have a lot to be proud of! You have matured into individuals that will have incredible adventures, careers and lives!

We believe in all of you!

Breakfast – All Year 6 pupils may come for breakfast between 8:00am and 8:30am for a free breakfast during SATs week. This really is the most important meal of the day. If eating at home, then please ensure that your child has a nutritious breakfast, which will enable them to have the energy to do two tests every morning.

Snack – we will provide the children with fruit between tests.

Clothing – The children should wear school uniform as usual. Please make sure they have layers, so if they are too warm or cold during a test they can remedy the situation quickly themselves.

Revision – please ensure the children continue to do homework and revision (including reading) for a short period every day.

It's important to make sure that you don't place too much pressure on your child. The more relaxed you are, the more relaxed your child will be, which means they are likely to perform better during SATs week.

School will be providing Breakfast for ALL year 6 pupils from 8:00am.





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Year 2 SATS Meeting- Thursday, 12th May, 3:30-4:00pm

Children take Standard Assessment Tests (SATS) at the end of Key Stage 1 (Year 2) in: Reading, Maths, English grammar, punctuation and spelling (an optional paper).

What are SATs?

SATs are a series of Maths and English assessments, carried out in two stages during your child's primary education.

Think of KS1 SATs as evaluations; they're not designed to be passed or failed but to give a picture of your child's progress

Although Y2 SATs are set externally, they are marked by teachers within our school. Assessments from teachers are also used to build up a picture of your child's learning and achievements. Your child's KS1 SATs results probably won't be given to you unless you ask for them.

Do all children have to take SATs?

In England, the tests are compulsory for all seven year olds (KS1 SATs in Year 2)

KS2 SATS Timetable

Tuesday, 9th May 2023	English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS Paper)	
Wednesday, 10th May 2023	English Reading Paper	
Thursday, 11th May 2023	Mathematics Paper 1 (Arithmetic)	Mathematics Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Friday, 12th May 2023	Mathematics Paper 3 (Reasoning)	

KS1 SATS

Week beginning Monday, 15th May 2023

KS1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK

Week beginning Monday, 12th June 2023 to Friday, 16th June 2023

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Week beginning Monday, 19th June to Friday, 23rd June 2023

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Stars of the Week



Value of the Week: EMPATHY

Class:	Pupil:	Reason:
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	Muhammed	Well Done for showing empathy to others in our class!
	Fatim	Well Done for showing empathy to others in our class!
Year 2 David Attenborough	Jacob	For being kind to others and contributing in class.
	Josephine	For being kind to others and putting 100% effort into all her work!
Year 3 Mo Farah	Ayaz	Well Done for showing empathy to others and always trying to be kind and helpful!
	Sara	Well Done for showing empathy to others and always trying to be kind and helpful!
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	Jennifer	For always being kind and showing the value of empathy.
	Sufyyan	For always being kind and showing the value of empathy.
Year 5/6 Mae Jemison	Hayden	For helping out during the friendship party.
	Yasmin	For being very helpful around the classroom
Year 6 Olive Morris	Lyna	For always being pleasant to others and helping when and where she can.
	Lyron	For always contributing to lessons and sharing his ideas with others.

We would like to recognise the children who have been great examples of our school values and have shown true commitment to their learning. Well done!!!



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every student, every day

Attendance Winners

School Target: 95.6%	This week's attendance: 92.6%
Years R, 1, and 2	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6
<u>Well Done:</u> Benjamin Zephaniah 93.7%	<u>Well Done:</u> Mo Farah 97.2%
Class:	Attendance:
Reception Maggie Aderin-Pocock	90%
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	93.7%
Year 2 David Attenborough	91.2%
Year 3 Mo Farah	97.2%
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	86.5%
Year 5/6 Mae Jemison	97%
Year 6 Olive Morris	90.6%

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School Information and Events

Dates for your Diary

MAY 2023	
Monday, 8 th May 2023	Coronation Bank Holiday (School closed)
Tuesday, 9 th to Friday, 13 th May 2023	KS2 SATS
Thursday, 12 th May 2023	Year 2 SATS Meeting at 3:30-4:00pm in Year 2 classroom. Please attend this important meeting!
Monday, 15 th May 2023	Beginning of KS1 SATS
Monday, 15 th to Friday, 19 th May 2023	Mental Health Awareness Week (MHST)
Wednesday, 17 th May 2023	Parent Coffee Morning at 9:00am
	Assemblies for KS1 and KS2
	Anxiety Workshops for children and staff
Thursday, 18 th May 2023	Full Governing Body Meeting at 5:00pm
Friday, 26 th May 2023	End of Spring Term 1 (school closing at normal times)
Half Term (School closed): Monday, 29 th May 2023 to Friday, 2 nd June 2023	
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- pupils return to school)
Wednesday, 7 th June 2023	Local Authority PRM with school leaders and governors
Thursday, 8 th June 2023	KS1 Sports Day
Thursday, 8 th June 2023	Governing Body Staffing Committee Meeting at 4:00pm
Friday, 9 th June 2023	KS2 Sports Day
Monday 12 th to Friday, 16 th June 2023	KS1 Phonics Screening Check
Monday, 19 th to 23 rd June 2023	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)
Thursday 22 nd June 2023	Southwark Jazz Festival- Southbank Centre
Friday, 7 th July 2023	SUMMER FAIR (3:00-5pm)
Monday, 10 th July 2023	Year 6 Performance to Parents (5:30pm)
Thursday, 13 th July 2023	Whole School Awards Assembly at 2pm
Friday, 14 th July 2023	Year 6 Award Ceremony and prize-giving at 2pm

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JULY 2023	
Friday, 14 th July 2023	Families receive End of Year Reports for 2023
Friday, 14 th July 2023	Year 6 PROM (5-7pm)- School Hall
Monday, 17 th July 2023	Children 'Meet New Teacher' sessions
Tuesday, 18 th July 2023	LA PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING at 8:30am
Wednesday, 19 th July 2023	'Carnival of Cultures' and international food festival/ End of Year Class Parties
Friday, 21 st July 2023	Last day of Summer Term. School closing at 2pm
SUMMER HOLIDAYS: Monday, 24 th July to Friday, 1 st September 2023	
Monday, 4 th September 2023- INSET Day 1	
Tuesday, 5 th September 2023- INSET Day 2	
First day of Autumn Term 1: Wednesday, 6 th September 2023	

Wednesday, 17th May 2023

**Parent 'Drop In
Session'
Anxiety
9:00 – 10:30am**

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Mental Health Awareness Week

15th – 21st May 2023

Mental Health Awareness Week is organised by the Mental Health Foundation and is taking place from **15th to 21st May 2023**.

This year's theme is '**Anxiety**' to help increase awareness and understanding of anxiety and think about things we can do to help us feel calmer and happier.

Having some anxiety – or worries – is totally normal. But sometimes our thoughts can get carried away and our worries get on top of us. It happens to lots of people.

In fact, the Mental Health Foundation says anxiety is one of the most common mental health problems we can face. In a recent survey they carried out, a quarter of adults said they felt so anxious that it stopped them from doing the things they want to do some or all of the time.

On a positive note, there are lots of things we can do to help us feel less anxious. One very simple way is with kindness.

On **Wednesday, 17th May 2023**, Groundwork Project we will be organising a number of Anxiety-related activities for our Comber Grove Community.

- Parent Drop in Sessions (1:1)
- Sessions for supporting Staff
- Assemblies for Pupils (in keystages)

All these sessions will be led by staff of Groundwork Project, who support our pupils at school.

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