



Comber Grove Primary School Weekly Newsletter Spring Term 1

Friday, 26th January 2024

Dates
for your Diary



Key Dates:

24/01/2024- Attendance Meetings (FEHP)

29/01/2024- Year 6 SATS Meeting at 9:30am

01/02/2024- Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

02/02/2024- NSPCC Number Day

Monday, 05/02/2024 to Friday, 09/02/2024- Children's Mental Health Week

06/02/2024- Safer Internet Day

06/02/2024- Education Committee Meeting at 8:30am

06/02/2024- Height and Weight (Reception and Year 6) at 9:30am

07/02/2024- Year 1 Phonics Test Meeting at 9:30am

Monday, 12/02/2024 to Friday, 16/02/2024
February Half term

Beginning of Spring Term 2:
Monday, 19th February 2024

20/02/2024- Resources Committee Meeting at 8:30am

A message from our Headteacher

Dear Comber Grove families,

I can't believe that we have already been at school for three (3) weeks! Our children are have been very settled and enjoying their exciting learning.

NSPCC Number Day- Friday, 2nd January 2024

We will be celebrating NSPCC **Number Day** on Friday, 2nd January 2024. Staff are in the process of planning very exciting activities for the day! Everyone is encouraged to wear creative Maths clothing/costume!



FREE English Lessons for families from Thursday,

1st February 2024 at

8:15 to 8:45am

Come along and try a taster!

Let the school office know if you are

interested! office@combergrove.southwark.sch.uk

BREAKFAST CLUB 'More than just breakfast!'

It is a time for pupils to socialise, improve communication skills and has a very positive impact on the school day/ learning etc. Places filling fast. Reserve your place today by contacting CASP.

Breakfast club costs can be reduced with childcare benefits. If families need support with this to contact CASP.



Parent Meetings!

In preparation for the annual Statutory Assessments we would like to invite all parents to the following meetings:

Monday, 29th January 2024 at 9:30am- Year 6 SATS Meeting

Thursday, 1st February 2024 at 9:30am- Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Wednesday, 07th February 2024 at 9:30am- Year 1 Phonics Test

Have a restful weekend!

Lorram Black and Staff of Comber Grove Primary School

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MEASLES AND MMR VACCINE

We are seeing much higher than normal levels of measles in London this year, including in Southwark schools.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools, and is a nasty illness and in some children can be very serious and lead to hospitalisation – and in rare cases tragically can cause death.

People in certain at-risk groups including babies and young children, pregnant women, and people with weakened immunity, are at increased risk of complications if they catch measles.

Vaccination with 2 doses of MMR is the only way to protect children and young people.

The first MMR vaccine is given to toddlers at the age of 13 months and the second injection at around 3 years and 4 months before your child goes to school. MMR can be given to older children, teenagers and young adults if they missed their injections when they were younger.

Contact your GP practice if your child needs an MMR vaccine. The vaccine is free. If you are not sure if your child needs an MMR vaccine, you can contact the GP to ask.

Measles is not just a little kids' problem. Teenagers, young adults and anyone who has missed their MMR vaccination can get measles.

The first signs of measles are

- **Cough, runny nose and red sore eyes**
- **After a few days, a spotty rash appears. It starts on the face and neck and spreads to the rest of the body.**

If you think your child has measles, ring your GP practice for advice. Don't turn up to the surgery, walk in centre or to Accident and Emergency without calling ahead. The doctor will make special arrangements to see your child so that if your child has measles – they won't pass it on to others.

Keep people with symptoms of measles away from others to avoid spreading measles, and stay away from school, nursery or work for 5 days after the onset of rash.

Travel advice: There are large outbreaks of measles currently in Romania, Italy or Germany. Make sure you are up to date with your MMR vaccine if you are planning to travel to these countries.

If you would like more information, see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>



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Number Day 2024

Join us in celebrating

Number Day

on

Friday, 2nd February 2024

by dressing up ALL things numbers!!!

Come with numbers on you, as your TTR (Times Table Rockstar avatar), a dice, a number block, a ruler or a calculator... it is up to you!



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!!!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS *every student, every day*

Attendance Winners

School Target: 95.6%

This week's attendance: 90.1%

Group	Present	Comment:
Nursery David Bowie	94.9%	Requires improvement
Reception Aderin-Pocock	97.7%	Excellent! Well Done!
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	85.7%	Cause for Concern
Year 2 David Attenborough	96.5%	Excellent! Well Done!
Year 3 Mo Farah	88.6%	Cause for Concern
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	86.8%	Cause for Concern
Year 5 Mae Jemison	87.4%	Cause for Concern
Year 6 Olive Morris	86.8%	Cause for Concern

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Stars of the Week



Value of the Week: **EMPATHY**

Class:	Pupil:	Reason:
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	Leonel	Well Done for showing empathy toward others!
	Mohamed	Thank you for being kind and helping others!
Year 2 David Attenborough	Adama	Thank you for being kind to others and for putting 100% effort into his work!
	Emanuel	Well Done for showing empathy toward others!
Year 3 Mo Farah	Manuella	For always supporting her peers whenever they are experiencing challenges. Thank you for showing empathy!
	Riley	Thank you for always taking the time to check on others by asking them if they are okay. Thank you for showing empathy!
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	Ayaz	For always supporting his peers whenever they are experiencing challenges by showing empathy!
	Hussainah	
Year 5 Mae Jemison	Jahan	For always being calm and agreeable and for showing empathy and kindness towards his classmates.
	Jennifer	For her kind and calm approach to school life and for her ability to 'put herself in somebody else's shoes'.
Year 6 Olive Morris	George	For an increased positive attitude to others and for working well with them.
	Yasmin	Well Done for helping others with their learning.



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Child's name	Age	Class
Manuella	8	Mo Farah
Tejan	10	Mae Jemison



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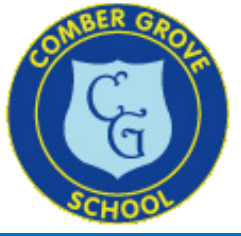
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Parent/ Carer Information and Support

FAMILY SPACE: CULTURETREE

SAT 27TH JANUARY 2024, 11AM - 1PM



Join us for a free, drop-in, creative workshop for families!

Take inspiration from African print fabrics and make your own tote bag. Explore Ankara wax prints and make your own unique design. This session will be led by Gbemisola Isimi from [CultureTree](#). Suitable for children aged 5–12 years with their parents and carers.

ABOUT FAMILY SPACE

Family Space is a programme of free workshops that take place on the last Saturday of the month. Sessions are self-directed and designed for families with children aged 5-12 years old. The space is supported by the SLG's Art and Play team.

ACCESS

The room is likely to be noisy.

The activity is not seated. Chairs are available upon request.

Ear plugs, ear defenders, magnifying glasses and wheelchairs are all available.

BOOKING

The workshop is free and drop-in any time from 11am-1pm. No booking required. Places are available on a first come, first served basis.

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Children's Mental Health Week

week beginning Monday, 5th February 2024.
The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'.



- My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves.
- When we feel empowered, there's a positive impact on our wellbeing. Children who feel that their voices are heard and can make a difference have a greater sense of community and self-esteem.
- This year, we want children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to be empowered to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing.
- During Children's Mental Health Week, we want all children and young people to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters."

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'Happy Chinese New Year'
Thursday, 8th February 2024

CELEBRATE
Chinese New Year

Thursday 8th February 2024

Szechuan Chicken
Pan Fried Fish
Oriental Noodles with Sweet Chilli
Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Fried Rice
Braised Carrots with Sweetcorn
Salad Selection

Chocolate Flavoured Ice Cream
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

HARRISON
food with thought

The poster features a background of several large, glowing red Chinese lanterns. The text is overlaid on the lanterns, with the title 'Celebrate Chinese New Year' in a dark blue rounded rectangle. The menu items are listed in white text, and the Harrison logo is in the top right corner.

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