



Comber Grove Primary School Weekly Newsletter Summer Term 1

Friday, 03rd May 2024



Key Dates:

07/05/2024

Education Committee Meeting

13th to 16th May 2024

KS2 SATS (Year 6)

13/05/2025 (5pm)

DEADLINE: representation period

17/05/2024

Year 6 Visit to Park

24/05/2024

End of Summer Term 1

03/06/2024

INSET DAY

(School closed to pupils)

04/06/2024

Beginning of Summer Term 2

04/06/2024

GB Resources Committee Meeting

10/06/2024

School Offer day

10th to 14th June 2024

KS1 PHONICS

12/06/2024

Year 4 MTC

25/06/2024

Full Governing Body Meeting

A message from our Headteacher

The Summer Term is very busy again this year with celebration assemblies, Year 6 leavers' assembly, secondary school transition days, Year 6 Prom, Cultural Day, SATS, Sports Days and Mental Health Week.

We look forward to sharing the news with you through this newsletter. We also update our website regularly with news and dates as well as post to our social media channels.

This week you would have received your Summer Term Curriculum Newsletter for your child's class.

As part of our teaching pedagogy we regularly revisit prior learning in order to help children make connections and to know more and remember more over time. Thank you for the time and support given to your child in undertaking the homework set!

As a school, we are very committed to ensuring that children are in school and receiving their full entitlement to education. We are also very committed to working with families to remove any potential barriers to children being in school.

We want to say a big thank you to each family who are supporting our drive of taking attendance to 97% and above and supporting in decreasing our persistent absence figure by ensuring children attend school every day on time.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



Reminder:

**May BANK HOLIDAY- Monday, 06th May 2024
SCHOOL CLOSED!**

Enjoy your May Bank Holiday Weekend!

Lorram Black and Staff of Comber Grove Primary School

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!!!



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every student, every day

Attendance Winners

School Target: 95.6%

This week's attendance: 93%

Group	Present	Comment:
Nursery David Bowie	93.8%	Requires improvement!
Reception Aderin-Pocock	83.2%	Cause for concern!
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	92.9%	Requires improvement!
Year 2 David Attenborough	98.9%	Excellent! Well Done!
Year 3 Mo Farah	92.4%	Requires improvement!
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	96.5%	Excellent! Well Done!
Year 5 Mae Jemison	87.4%	Cause for Concern!
Year 6 Olive Morris	95.3%	Requires improvement!

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Stars of the Week



Value of the Week: **EMPATHY**

Class:	Pupil:	Reason:
Year 1 Benjamin Zephaniah	K'Shari	For interacting positively with his peers and helping others.
	Zaina	For interacting positively with her peers and helping others.
Year 2 David Attenborough	Hussain	Well Done for showing empathy and kindness!
	Eman	Well Done for showing empathy and kindness!
Year 3 Mo Farah	Zendeya	For consistently showing consideration to her classmates.
	Sabri	For consistently showing consideration to his classmates.
Year 4 Marcus Rashford	Hayder	For showing empathy! Well Done!
	Harley	For showing empathy! Well Done!
Year 5 Mae Jemison	Tyler	For being a kind and empathetic member of the class. Keep it up! ;-)
	Sima	For being a kind and empathetic. Keep it up! ;-)
Year 6 Olive Morris	Ranya	For always helping others with their learning.
	Charlotte	For helping around the classroom! Thank you!



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Child's name	Age	Class
Issiah	5	Aderin-Pocock
Adama	7	David Attenborough
Aliyah	8	Mo Farah
Amir	8	Mo Farah
Khalid	11	Olive Morris



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Parent/ Carer Information and Support

STAGE 2

PROPOSAL TO CLOSE COMBER GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL on 31st AUGUST 2024

As you'll be aware, the Council is proposing the closure of Comber Grove Primary School from 31st August 2024. The school is currently in a 4-week representation period which runs until 5:00pm on **Monday, 13th May 2024**.

Why is this happening?

The number of pupils applying to Comber Grove has decreased in recent years. This is partly down to the falling birth rates affecting the general demand for primary school places across the borough.

The amount of money a school has is directly linked to its number of pupils. The more pupils a school has, the more funding it receives. With fewer pupils choosing this school, it is less likely that the school will be financially viable to keep running.

Unfilled school places have an immediate cost for schools through a reduction in their budgets, as well as affecting the overall viability and quality of education standards at the school.

Don't forget to submit further objection to the closure proposal:

Emailing: questions.education@southwark.gov.uk

The consultation feedback will be reported to the Council's Cabinet to decide whether the school closure process should commence.

What happens next?

- **Stage 1 – Consultation:** initial informal consultation on school closure (completed)
- **Stage 2 – Publication** of statutory proposal on school closure – 15th April 2024
- **Stage 3 – Representation:** Statutory consultation period on school closure (4 weeks) – 15th April to 13th May 2024.
- **Stage 4 – Decision:** Report to Cabinet to determine decision on statutory proposal to close school – 18th June 2024 (subject to a five-day call-in period)
- **Stage 5 – Proposed implementation** of the school closure – **31st August 2024**

Thank you for returning your Admission Forms for September 2024. These have been shared with the Admissions from Local Authority.

- **Monday, 10th June 2024 (Offer Day):** Initial offers of a school place for September start, made to each family and confirmed with schools (week before half term).
- **Monday, 17th June 2024:** Families to confirm acceptance of offers. Any changes to preference, second applications for alternative schools etc. to be made by Local Authority Admissions.

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