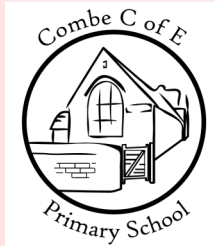


Combe Primary Newsletter



Headteacher's News

This week we celebrated Black History Week. The children have been learning about a variety of people through history including soldiers in WW2 and some of the black women who made space exploration possible (Did you watch the film Hidden Figures?).

The school council held their first discussion on healthy eating and agreed that the fruit-only snack policy was good! They have suggested we have Meat-free Mondays and Pudding-free Fridays so I will be discussing this with our school lunch provider. The next discussion will cover packed lunches.

Year 1 and 2 enjoyed the first Welly Wednesday of the year. More details can be found on the blog on our website <https://combeprimary.co.uk/year-1-2-welly-wednesday/>

We are looking forward to running a mile of the half marathon with over 30 of the children on Sunday. Lets hope it stays dry!

Forest School

The children in KS2 have been enjoying their Forest School sessions, led by a Forest School Leader, Sarah. They have built dens, made swings, learnt knots, been whittling, made a zip wire, made blackberry jam and of course have loved having a cup of hot chocolate and a biscuit!



Harvest Foodbank Collection

We will be collecting food for the North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank on 22nd October (the day of our Harvest Service). They would most value the following items:

Tins of Fruit, Custard or Rice Pudding	Pasta sauce
Tins of meat (all types including tinned pies)	Tins of tuna
Tins of vegetables (i.e. peas, carrots sweetcorn, potatoes & tomatoes)	Breakfast cereals (not oats)
Rice (500g packets)	Long Life semi skimmed Milk
Coffee, tea & small packets of sugar	Biscuits, jams & spreads
Long Life Fruit Juice	Tins of Soup, Baked Beans & spaghetti
Pasta	

They also welcome toilet rolls, washing up liquid, washing machine tablets etc.

Upcoming Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th October–
Year 3/4 to Hughsden

Thursday 17th October–
Forest School– Year 5 and 6

Friday 19th October– Wear
it Pink Day

Tuesday 22nd October–
Harvest Service– 9:30am

Tuesday 22nd October–
Phonics workshop for par-
ents– 6pm

Wednesday 23rd October–
Year 5/6 Welly Wednesday

Thursday 24th October–
Forest School– Year 4 and 3

Friday 35th October– Break
up for half term

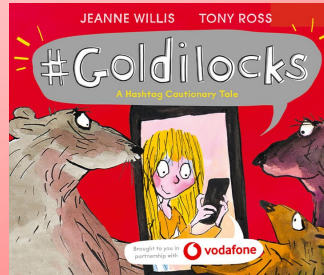
Phonics training for parents

We are running a short phonics workshop on Tuesday 22nd October at 6pm. It is aimed at parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Online Safety Update

Our KS2 children have listened to the story '#Goldilocks' which is a cautionary tale about sharing photographs online. Ask them about it!

For games, quizzes, films and advice to help children make the most out of the internet while staying safe online, try the link below:



<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

Year 3/4 Football Tournament

Nine children from Year 3 and 4 went to Carterton to play in the West Oxfordshire small schools football competition. We were so proud of their attitude and the respectful way they behaved. They played 5 matches, winning two, drawing 1 and losing 2. Well done Combe!



World Mental Health Day

Well done to everyone for raising £116.15 for Young Minds through the cake sale. Particular thanks to Scarlett and Florence for organising the event and Year 6 for providing the cakes. We are still to count the donations made for wearing something yellow so will give you the grand total next time.

Jeans for Genes

Well done to everyone. We raised £107 day for Genetics Disorders UK.

DOJO Points Winners

Reception— Laurence and Millie
Year 1— Megan and Florrie
Year 2— Leon and Rose
Year 3— Rosie and James
Year 4— Ruby and Sid
Year 5— Ed and Lori
Year 6— Sasha and Scarlett

Behaviour of Life Winners

Reception— Robyn and Edith
Year 1— Rose and Rocco
Year 2— Fleur and Leon
Year 3— James and Olia
Year 4— Chloe and Freddie
Year 5— Lori and Eleanor
Year 6— Annabelle and Poppy

<u>October</u>			
Tuesday 15 th October	All Day	Year3/4 Class to Hughenden	Visit related to topic 'Is it Right to Fight?'
Thursday 17 th October	AM or PM	Forest School- Y5 morning and Y6 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Friday 19 th October	All Day	Wear it Pink for Breast Cancer	Children invited to wear pink for a donation of at least £1 towards Breast Cancer Now
Tuesday 22 nd October	9:30am	Harvest Service	Parents are invited to attend service at church
Tuesday 22 nd October	6pm	Phonics Workshop for Parents	Opportunity for parents to find out how to support children with phonics at home
Wednesday 23 rd October	All Day	Year 5/6 Welly Wednesday	Year 5/6 will spend the day learning outdoors
Thursday 24 th October	AM or PM	Forest School- Y4 morning and Y3 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Monday 28 th October- Friday 1 st November	All Week	Half Term	
<u>November</u>			
Thursday 7 th November	AM or PM	Forest School- Y6 morning and Y5 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Thursday 7 th November	All Day	National Outdoor Classroom Day	Children spend day learning outside
Monday 11 th November	10:45am	Remembrance Memorial Service	Parents are welcome to join us on the village green
Monday 11 th November	3:30-5:00pm	Parents Meetings	Appointments can be booked to meet with class teachers
Tuesday 12 th November	3:30-5:00pm	Parents Meetings	Appointments can be booked to meet with class teachers
Wednesday 13 th November	All Day	Year 3/4 Welly Wednesday	Year 3/4 spend day learning outside
Thursday 14 th November	AM or PM	Forest School- Y3 morning and Y4 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Tuesday 19 th November	All Day	Year 3/4 African Drumming Workshop	Workshop led by musicians
Tuesday 19 th November	2:40pm	Year 3/4 African Drumming performance to parents	Chance for parents to see what children have learnt during workshop
Wednesday 20 th November	All Day	Universal Children's Day	Will be celebrated within the day

Thursday 21 st November	AM or PM	Forest School- Y5 morning and Y6 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Monday 25 th November	Pm	Macbeth for KS2	Performance of Macbeth by Young Shakespeare Company for KS2 children
Wednesday 27 th November	Pm	Whole School Flu Vaccinations	NHS offering flu vaccinations
Thursday 28 th November	AM or PM	Forest School- Y4 morning and Y3 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Friday 29 th November	All Day	Year 5/6 African Drumming Workshop	Workshop led by musicians
Friday 29 th November	2:40pm	Year 5/6 African Drumming Performance to parents	Chance for parents to see what children have learnt during workshop
December			
Thursday 5 th December	AM or PM	Forest School- Y6 morning and Y5 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Tuesday 10 th December	1:30pm	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance	Nativity performance for parents
Wednesday 11 th December	6:30pm	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance	Nativity performance for parents
Thursday 12 th December	AM or PM	Forest School- Y3 morning and Y4 afternoon	Forest School session with Level 3 Forest School Leader
Thursday 12 th December	5:00-6:30pm	Christmas Disco	Tickets will be sold for £3
Friday 13 th December	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day	Children invited to wear a Christmas Jumper for a donation of at least £1 towards Save the Children
Monday 16 th December	AM	Puss in Boots at Chipping Norton Theatre for Whole School	Pantomime for all children
Tuesday 17 th December	6:30pm	KS2 Christmas Carol Service	Carol concert performance for parents
Thursday 19 th December	1:15pm	Break up for Christmas Holiday	
Friday 20th December– Friday 3rd January		School closed for Christmas Holiday	
Monday 6 th January	All Day	School reopens for Spring Term	