

# Comberton Update

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Primary School**

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*Happy New Year from all at Comberton. We hope you had a lovely Christmas break with your children and wish you all a happy and healthy 2026.*

## **Attendance**

Years 1-3 Class Winners – Year 2 – Mrs Heath. 100%

Years 4-6 Class Winners – Year 4 – Miss Botfield. 99.1%

Congratulations and keep it up!

## **Learning**

Despite a few bleary eyes, the children have returned full of enthusiasm for their learning and the teachers are excited to see the progress the children make this term!

Year 6 have started their preparation for writing with a bang! In learning how to present a discussion text with a balanced argument, children have been exploring images of graffiti from around Kidderminster and forming their opinions on whether this is art or vandalism ready to present to their readers. The children were fully invested in these discussions!

Year 3 have begun their science topic on forces and started exploring pushes and pulls, giving scientific explanations for different examples.

Year 4 enjoyed their first swimming lesson of the year. We were very proud of how sensibly the children walked to and from the swimming pool and it was great to see the progress that some children have made since they went swimming in year 3. We are looking forward to seeing their confidence and skills build week on week.

Phonics is up and running and children are enjoying the challenge of their new groups, learning new sounds by the day and improving their speedy reading! Great start everyone!

## **KIRFS**

A new half term has started and each year group has a Spring 1 maths KIRF (Key Instant Recall Fact) they are learning. KIRFs aim to develop your child's fluency and mental maths skills and the idea is they can instantly recall the knowledge. Regular practice - little and often – helps children to retain these facts and keep their skills sharp. They are not designed to be a time-consuming task and can be practised anywhere – in the car, walking to school, etc. Throughout the half term, the KIRFs will also be practised in school and your child's teacher will assess whether they have been learned.

Earlier this week, a sheet was sent home (via Parent Mail) which detailed your child's KIRF for Spring 1 and contained some ideas for ways to practise the skill. Please also see the KIRF section of the school website (Curriculum - Maths - How to help your child at home - KIRFs) to download activities. We hope that you enjoy working alongside your child with this mathematics work.



## Dates Next Week:

<b>Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Friendship Warden Assemblies Play Leader Training
<b>Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Open The Book Assembly 12 – 10pm Young Voices Choir to Birmingham Utilita Arena
<b>Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	8:45 – 9am – Welcome Wednesday. All parents welcome to read in class.
<b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Swimming for year 4
<b>Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Violin lessons 9:45 – 11am Inclusive Sports event for selected pupils 5HH Football session with Kidderminster Harriers

## Looking Ahead

**Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Peter Cooper Assemblies

**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan** - Harriers session for 4KB (wear PE kit)

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Under 11 Girls football cup final

**Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Harriers session for 4RI (wear PE kit)

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb** – SCARF PSHRE workshops

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb** – SCARF PSHRE workshops

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb** – Peter Cooper Assemblies

**Weds 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** – SCARF PSHRE workshops

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Harriers session for 3AG (wear PE kit)

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Parent's evening 3:30 – 7pm

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Parent's evening 3:30 - 5:30pm

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Internet safety day

**Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Parent's evening 3:30 - 5:30pm

**Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Feb** - National Inventors Day

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Year 1 and 2 Trip to Warwick Castle

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Primary Panathlon 10-11:30 at Wolverley flor selected pupils.

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Harriers session for 6LT (wear PE kit)

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Break up for half term