

# Comberton Update

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Attendance

Years 1-3 Class Winners – Year 3 Mrs Hiorns with 95.8% 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row!

Years 4-6 Class Winners – Year 4 Mrs Wassall with 95.7%

Congratulations and keep it up!

## Learning

There has been learning galore in and out of the classroom and in and out of the school this week which the sunny weather has really helped with!

Reception went on a highly successful trip to Bodenham Arboretum where they toasted bread on the fire, found fairies and dragons, made dens and potions and climbed just about everywhere! There were many very happy (but shattered) little faces when they returned and the children were an absolute credit to the school.

Year 4 brought their historical learning to life through a trip to a local carpet factory where the children discovered all about the history of the carpet industry through to current times. Again the feedback from staff was so positive about our wonderful children.

Year 4 have also been developing their art skills this week exploring stippling, scratching and splashing to create beautiful shell and flower designs.

Year 5 showed their creativity in their writing about Beowulf. The vocabulary choices the children were making and the deliberate choice of sentence types in order to really build suspense and engage the reader were just stunning.

Year 6 have also been displaying their creativity through the designs of their marble runs in their DT project. They have been sawing, drilling and gluing and then evaluating their designs to ensure they are challenging enough! The finished products are fantastic!



## KPSA Reading Competition

Huge congratulations to the group of year 4 children that took part in the reading competition last week. We took 6 children to Cookley Sebright Primary School to compete against teams from each of our Kidderminster Primary School's Alliance (KPSA) – Saint Catherine's, Cookley, Offmore and Chaddesley Corbett. A lot of hard work and effort had been put in ahead of this event as the children had been set some pre-reading of three pretty challenging texts! They competed across several different rounds and came out shining in second place. They were pipped to the winning spot by just half a point, showing how close it was. The children had a fantastic morning and showed excellent subject knowledge, resilience and teamwork and we are incredibly proud of them. It really did prove how much pleasure you can get from reading! Thank you to the staff and parents for supporting this event.

We have waited until this week to share this great news as there was a slight technical hitch in being able to share this photograph with you.

The proud "Comberton Vipers!"



### **Parking**

We have had some concerns reported regarding parking outside of school and the dangers that this is posing for our children and families. Please ensure you are parking safely when dropping off and collecting from school.

### **Staffing Update**

We are delighted to welcome Shelby Knowles to the Comberton team, who has joined us as Office Administrator and will be working with Caroline Broadbent to ensure everything runs smoothly! Shelby has had a busy week getting to know some of the routines, systems and processes so please bear with us during this transition stage.

### **Message from James Wilkinson (Assistant Headteacher at King Charles I Secondary)**

I would like to introduce myself as James Wilkinson, Assistant headteacher & Head of the Borrington Road site at King Charles I School. I hope you are looking forward to the half term break! Although we have enjoyed a few extra bank holidays, it is still a busy period for students, staff and parents. I am delighted to report that we have been working closely with our primary schools to ensure we can work in partnership to ensure your son/daughter has access to the best provision for their education in Worcestershire. We are excited by the potential opportunities it presents. We are a proud school and we can now report that we have been rated GOOD in all areas by OFSTED. A wonderful achievement! You can read the inspection report by clicking on the following link [King Charles I School - Open - Find an Inspection Report - Ofsted](#). Have a wonderful half term and we look forward to working together in the future.

## Free Worcestershire SEND Workshops for Parents

SENDIASS run FREE daytime and evening, face to face workshops and online information sessions for parents/carers and professionals in Worcestershire.

Workshops currently available for Parent Carers:

- A Guide to SEND Support including the Graduated Response-  
<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendiaass/sendiaass-training/sendiaass-workshops-parent-and-carers/guide-send-support-including-graduated-approach-response>
- What does a good Education Health & Care Plan (EHCP) look like?  
<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendiaass/sendiaass-training/sendiaass-workshops-parent-and-carers/what-does-good-education-health-care-plan-ehcp-look-parents-and-carers>
- Who are SENDIASS and how can they support me? Online Information Session  
<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendiaass/sendiaass-training/sendiaass-workshops-parent-and-carers/herfordshire-and-worcestershire-sendiaass-online-information-session-parents-and-carers>
- Autism and Me (developed by autistic young people)  
<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendiaass/sendiaass-training/sendiaass-workshops-parent-and-carers/autism-me-developed-autistic-young-people-workshop-parent-carers>

## Sports days

You will be shortly receiving a separate letter with information about your child's sports day event.

## Uniform

Please can you ensure that all children are wearing full school uniform right up until the very end of the year. We are seeing an increasing number of children wearing trainers when it is not their PE day or wearing branded items on PE day.

The children look so smart and have a real sense of pride and belonging when they are in full uniform. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

If anyone has any spare school trousers or shorts that they would be willing to donate then we would be most grateful as our school supplies have run very low! Many thanks.

## Spaces for September 2023

We still have just a few places left for Reception 2023 intake so please spread the word. Visits to the school are welcomed.

## Worcestershire Children First - Webinars for Parents/Carers

Autism West Midlands are running webinars for parents/carers during the Summer Term.

- Autism and Anxiety – Monday 12th June

**Dates:**

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| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June   | Statutory Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – all week<br>Back to School<br>Year 3 swimming |
| Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> June  | Peter Cooper Assemblies                                                                      |
| Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> June  | 8:45am Welcome Wednesday – all welcome to read in class<br>Y6 workshop from Harlow Timber    |
| Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 6 Young Citizen’s Event                                                                 |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> June   | Y4 Tennis Event<br>The Animal Man visiting Nursery and Reception                             |

**Looking Ahead**

12/06/23 – Year 1 Statutory Phonics Screening Check week

12-14/06/23 – PSHE SCARF workshops for all

15/06/23 – Year 1 trip to Aston Hall

28/06/23 – 6pm Reception Intake 2023 Induction Evening

w/c 03/07/23 – Bikeability for years 4 and 5

05/07/23 – Transition day and Reception Induction

10/07/23 – Balanceability for Reception

12/07/23 – Year 2 tri to Bishops Wood

13/07 and 14/07/23 – Sports Days

17/07/23 – Balanceability for Reception

20/07/23 – Summer Fayre 2-4pm

21/07/23 – pm - Year 6 Leavers event with parents.

Break up for Summer

*Kind Regards*

*Mrs Frost*