



Comberton Update

Friday 19th January 2024

**Comberton
Primary School**

*A caring community
for all to shine*

Attendance

There is a new major National drive to improve school attendance under the strapline 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'. It outlines the importance of attendance for attainment, wellbeing and development and aims to drive up attendance and tackle persistent absence. (Attendance below 90%)

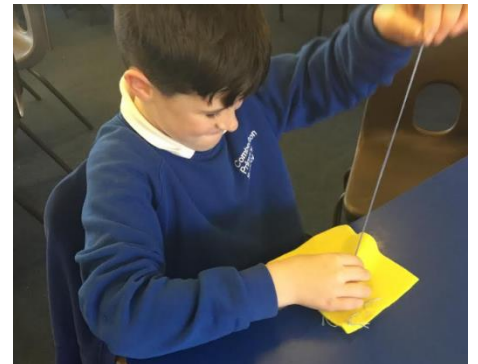
Unfortunately, we have an increasing number of pupils falling into this persistent absent category and whilst we appreciate that there will be the odd occasion where children are unable to attend school due to genuine illness or other unavoidable events, we are also really keen to have every child in school and on time every day so that they can make the most of every learning opportunity.

Once a child has 19 days absence, they will be unable to get out from the persistent absent category for the remainder of the academic year, even if they have 100% attendance following this. 90% attendance is equivalent to missing ½ day every week. That's a lot of missed learning!

Please help us to work together to ensure your child has no lost learning time.

Whole School Attendance this academic year to date: 93.9% National: 94.7%

Years 1-3 Class Winners – Year 2 – Mrs Fox with 98.3%
Years 4-6 Class Winners – Year 5 – Mrs Morris with 98.3%
Congratulations and keep it up!



Learning



Our computing and curriculum leads have seen some fantastic computing sessions across the school, with children demonstrating a good level of skill and subject knowledge.

Year 3 have been developing their sewing skills as part of their DT learning – tricky, but they have shown great perseverance!

Year 1 went on a walk to post their letters

and then on to Spennells nature reserve where they enjoyed looking at the different types of trees as part of their science learning. Fantastic behaviour was shown by all.

Year 5JM had a great time training with the Harriers!



PTA Valentines Discos

A reminder that the tickets are currently on sale for our Valentines Discos. These can be purchased on parent pay. There will be further details to come out nearer the time regarding clothes, drop off and collection.

Event details – Thursday 8th February

- 3:15 – 4:15 - Year 1 & 2
- 4:30 – 5:30 – Years 3 & 4
- 5:45 – 6:45 – Year 5 & 6

£3 per ticket to include a drink and small packet of sweets. The DJ is booked and there will be dancing and games to entertain!

Well-Being Champions

Our Well-Being Champions went to Offmore Primary school this week to work with those from Offmore. They shared experiences and initiatives and are now keen to implement more ideas back in school. They were a credit to our school in the mature and articulate discussions they held.

Young Voices

We are really excited for Comberton Choir's first trip to Young Voices. As we appreciate that this will be a very late night, we will be allowing a 'soft start' for these pupils on Wednesday 23rd, where the register will close for them at 10am. As long as they are in school by 10am, they will still receive their morning mark and will not be marked as late.

Parking

Just a reminder to ensure that all parking at drop off and pick up times is away from the bottom gates and staff car park. This is the access point for emergency service vehicles. Unfortunately, there have still been cars parked on the yellow zig zags this week which makes school and the Children's Centre inaccessible.

Dates for next week:

Mon 22 nd Jan	
Tues 23 rd Jan	Pm - Year 4 swimming Young Voice Choir Trip
Weds 24 th	Welcome Wednesday 8:45-9am Soft start for Young Voices Pupils – registers close at 10am Year 5 trip to Zizzi's and The REP for The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe
Thurs 25 th	9am – vision tests for Reception children
Fri 26 th	Guitar and violin lessons 4JW Kidderminster Harriers – wear PE kit

Looking Ahead

Mon 29th Jan – y6 Knife Crime talk PCSO
w/c/ 29th Jan – PSHRE workshops lead by SCARF
Tus 30th Jan – Year 2 trip to the Synagoge
Fri 2nd Feb – 4RI Kidderminster Harriers
Tues 6th Feb – Safer Internet day

Thurs 8th Feb – Valentines Discos year 1-6

Fri 9th Feb – 3CF Kidderminster Harriers

Fri 9th Feb – Break up for Half Term

Monday 19th Feb – Back to School

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Fri 23rd Feb – 3NL Kidderminster Harriers

Fri 1st Mar – 2HL Kidderminster Harriers

Thurs 7th March – World Book Day

Fri 8th Mar – 2LH Kidderminster Harriers

Fri 15th Mar – 1SW Kidderminster Harriers

Fri 22nd Mar – 1SH Kidderminster Harriers

Fri 22nd Mar – Break up for Easter

Kind Regards

Mrs Frost

We're here if you or
someone you know
needs **urgent mental
health support.**

0808 196 9127



WMWA Drop In's

West Mercia Women's Aid are here to support
you if you are living with domestic abuse.

WHEN : Starting January 2024
The 2nd Monday of every month
10.30 am–12.30 pm
8th January, 12th February, 11th March


WHERE: Brookside Family Hub
Borrington Road
Kidderminster DY10 3ED

You can contact inclusion.idua@wmwa.org.uk
to speak to someone about making an appointment or
feel free to turn up on the day.

24hr Helpline
0800 783 1359


LiveChat Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm
westmerciawomensaid.org





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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



SOLIHULL APPROACH

Understanding your child's behaviour Workshop

Do you have a child aged 2-10 years?

FREE One-off sessions available to parents and carers


1 x 2 hour session on Microsoft Teams - Digital session
(Book for one of the workshops below)

Thursday 25th January (Morning) 2024 9:30-11:30am

Thursday 22nd February 2024 (Evening) 6:00-8:00pm

Tuesday 5th March 2024 (Lunchtime) 12:30-2:30pm

How to book: Simply scan the QR code which will link you to the bookings page, visit website <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/>
Or call 01905 827391 to book your workshop.





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Time for Me with MoodMasters

Come along for refreshments and chat with our fab team!

These peer support sessions provide a range of simple tools to help you cope better with everyday stresses and worries

Drop in sessions, no need to book!

Brookside Family Hub, Borrington Road, Kidderminster DY10 3ED

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month
17th January, 7th and 21st February and 6th and 20th March 2024

11.45 am – 1.15 pm

For more information, please contact us on;
01562 827 207 / 01299 877 920



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Mon 15 th Jan	
Tues 16 th	Pm - Year 4 swimming
Weds 17 th	Welcome Wednesday 8:45-9am
Thurs 18 th	9am – vision tests for Reception children
Fri 19 th	Guitar and violin lessons 5JM Kidderminster Harriers – wear PE kit Inclusive Sport Festival at Baxter College – selected pupils

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