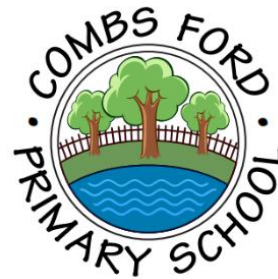


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# Combs Ford Primary School News

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## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February- Issue #21

**Weekly Attendance  
Winners:  
Hedgehogs 97.9%**

**Happy Friday everyone!**

### **Competition to design a school mascot!**

This afternoon, Mr Wesley shared with children in assembly that we are excited to invite children to design a school mascot. This is a character which represents the school and will eventually appear across the school and our curriculum. Children were also very excited to hear that we will transform the selected entry into a cuddly toy!

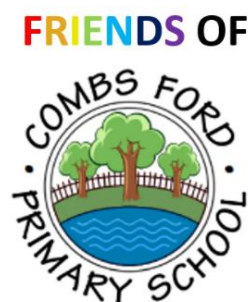
The only rule for the design is that the character needs to be an animal which is wearing a t-shirt or outfit linked to the Combs rainbow theme and the school logo.

All children have had the opportunity to take home a design form, teachers will have spare copies available. The deadline for this is **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm and all entries need to be handed into class teachers.** Our school council will shortlist the entries and decide on a name during March. Happy designing!



### **Friends of Combs Ford Primary**

We are very excited that some family members have come forward to help start a fundraising group for the school. They have set up a '**Friends of Combs Ford Primary School**' Facebook group and would like all family members to join this Facebook page if possible!





### Friends of Combs Ford Primary School

Private group - 61 members

Your membership is pending  
You'll be notified if your request to join is approved.

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### Busy Bear Cubs

Bear Cubs have had a fabulous week! They were joined by 19 families for Drawing Club on Wednesday. We had a lovely time writing a sentence and then we showed our families all of our Busy Bear Cub learning. If you weren't able to join this week don't worry, you can join us **next Wednesday 11th** instead. Remember to sign up on Arbor!

Bear Cubs also enjoyed a visit from Roseann who came to talk to them about looking after their teeth. Thank you, Roseann, for coming to see us!



### CET Inclusion Event

Last Friday, Trinity Park held an inclusion event for over 200 people, which celebrated schools who work hard to ensure all children get an opportunity to access school. Here at Combs, we are very proud to be recognised with the Inclusion Quality Mark as a Centre of Excellence. At this event, two of our school councillors, Alice and Reggie, attended the event and did an amazing job of speaking in front of the 200 adults at the event about what inclusion meant to them! Well done you two!



### Library Clubs in School

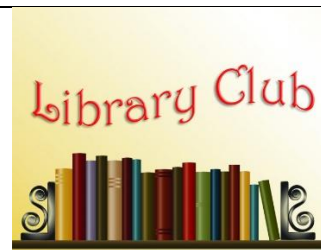
Mrs Lehocz took in all of the feedback from children who suggested ideas for clubs at playtimes in the library. She is excited to share the following timetable for children:

**Tuesday:** Writers World YR1-2

**Wednesday:** Creative Craft: YR5-6

**Thursday:** Marvellous Maths: YR1

**Friday:** Colouring Warriors: YR3-4



### Residential Meeting for Current Year 3 Families (for Year 4 next year)

Last week, it was lovely getting the opportunity to share the exciting plans for this year's residential at Burwell House. Please sign up to pay for the deposit for this on Arbor.



### Changes to Dessert Lunch Menu

Next week, there have been two changes to the dessert menu:

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>**- Pancakes (choice of topping- chocolate sauce, strawberry sauce, squirty cream, sprinkles, ice cream)

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup>**- Cupcake or cookie



### Parking around School

Please can we remind families to be respectful when parking around the school, as local residents have reported families blocking their drives and parking on their grass verges. Thank you.



### Office Hours

Please can we remind families that our school Office hours are **8.30am-4.30pm Monday-Thursday and 8.30am-4pm on Fridays**. Thank you.



### What I love about life at Combs- by Paisley in Year 1

"I like doing maths because I enjoy getting things right and feeling smart! I enjoy playing games with my friends at lunchtime and the school dinners are really yummy! My favourite time of the week is connection time as I have the chance to do some drawing and celebration assembly is exciting because I may get a certificate! I also enjoy the duck race because I enjoy cheering for my friends!"

"What I love about life at Combs..."



### Dates for the Diary

**Key: (new) (change of date/time)**

**EYFS Drawing Club- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February (9.15am-10.15am)**

**Family Forum- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February (2.45pm)**

**Year 5 Stop Motion Computing Movie Presentation Afternoon- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February (2.30pm)**

**Half Term- Week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

**Police Visit to the Bear Cubs class- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Year 2 trip to Lackford Lakes – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March (All day)**

**EYFS Mango Tea Party – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March (2.30pm)**

**Bags 2 School – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

**Year 4 Easter Craft Afternoon with Families- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March (1.20 PM)**

**Year 1 at Colchester Zoo - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March (All Day)**

**Parents Evening- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

**Easter Disco- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March (Years 1,2,3 – 4.30pm and Years 4, 5 and 6 - 6pm)**

**Parents Evening- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

**Year 2 DT Afternoon with Families- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March (1.20pm-3.20pm)**

**Year 3 Norwich Castle Trip- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March (All Day)**

**Year 6 SATS Easter School- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April (8.45-Midday)**

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Wesley, Mrs Aldred, Miss Fuller  
Combs Leadership Team

