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Friday Update

(14th November 2025)

Happy Friday everyone!

Fundraising

As we continue on our quest to raise money for a brand-new gym trail for the playground, we are excited to share with you our new festive fundraising initiative – the Combs Ford Santa Dash! On **Monday 15th December PM**, children are invited to do laps around the school field whilst dressed in as much Santa attire as they please! A separate email explaining this event in more detail will be sent and sponsorship forms will be sent home with all children in due course. Thank you in advance for your support in what we hope will be an exciting event for all children and staff!



Busy Bear Cubs

Bear Cubs enjoyed a visit from Birds and Beyond as part of their learning about owls. They got to meet real owls and even had owls fly and land on their hands! Clare from Birds and Beyond was very impressed with how brilliant Bear Cubs were and how much they knew about owls and nocturnal animals.



As well as this, yesterday the Bear Cubs invited their families in for a phonics lesson. They showed their families what Brilliant Bookworms they were and their grown-ups were so impressed. Thank you to everyone who was able to come!



Children in Need

It was lovely today to see so many children dressed up and looking colourful! Thank you for supporting what is such a worthy cause.



Year 6 Footballer Tournament

Some of our Year 6 footballers went to a tournament at Stowupland High School on Tuesday and were absolutely superb! There were ten teams and our team got to the semi-final - winning this 1-0 against Abbots before playing Wood Ley in the final who beat us very narrowly 1-0. They have qualified for the partnership finals next Tuesday and we wish them all the best!



Staffing

Last Friday, we waved goodbye to our office manager, Miss Palmer, who leaves Combs Ford after working at the school for 10 years. She has been an instrumental part of the Combs team. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work over the years and wish her all the very best for the future.



Raising money for school- for free!

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Combs Ford Primary School? There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, Trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!



1. Scan the QR Code and sign up as a supporter of Combs Ford.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges and Combs Ford Primary will be really grateful for your donations.

Scholastic Book Club

Our new **Scholastic Book Club** is up and running! Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/combs-ford/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your **order online by November 14th, 2025**.



Dates for the Diary

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

Year 1 Toy Workshop – Monday 17th November
Family Forum- Wednesday 26th November (2.30pm)
Y5 Local Walk - Thursday 27th November
Y5 Cooking (Parent Event) - Tuesday 2nd December
Parent's/Carer's Evening – Wednesday 3rd December
CET Christmas Concert Ipswich – Thursday 4th December
Parent's/Carer's Evening – Thursday 11th December
Uniform Sale- Thursday 11th December (3-4pm)
EYFS Nativity – Monday 15th December (9.30am)
Santa Dash Fundraiser- Monday 15th December PM
KS1 Christmas Show – Tuesday 16th December (9.30am)
KS1 Christmas Show – Wednesday 17th December (1.45pm)
School visit to Combs Church- Wednesday 17th December (am for both groups)
Christmas Lunch- Thursday 18th December
Y4 Christmas Craft afternoon (Parent Event) - Thursday 18th December (1.30 pm)
Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 18th December
PD Day (School closed to children) – Friday 19th December

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Wesley, Mrs Aldred, Miss Fuller
Combs Leadership Team

