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Combs Ford Primary School News

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**Weekly Attendance
Winners:**
Woodpeckers 99%

Happy Friday- we hope you all had a wonderful Easter!

Mini London Marathon 2026

Next week, we will be taking part in the Mini London Marathon 2026. Children have been set the challenge to run 2 miles, which is 10 laps of our playground and field. This is going to happen on the days in which classes are already doing their PE lessons:

Monday - Year 3 and Year 4

Tuesday - Year 5

Thursday - Year 1

Friday - Year 6 and Year 2

We can't wait to see the children push themselves and feel a real sense of pride in what will be such a great achievement!



PE Board Display

A big thank you to one of our amazing parents who has updated our PE boards in the hall. They look incredible! We will be adding 5 photo frames to the Sporting Heroes board and would love families to send any photos in of their child linked any sporting achievements (medals/trophies/awards) outside of school. We will then celebrate these and rotate them regularly.



Year 1 Maths Café

Please can we remind families that next **Tuesday 21st April** is our **Year 1 Maths Café (Hedgehogs 9am-10am and Squirrels 10am-11am)**. We would love as many families as possible to come and learn about how we teach maths in Year 1 and have the opportunity to do some learning together with your child. Please sign up for this on Arbor.



Yellow Team Reward

The yellow team have earned their second reward and have opted to have an additional playtime on the field/playground/astro, using the gym trail and have also asked for time in the woods. This reward is going to be on **Monday 27th April** in the afternoon. If your child is in the yellow team, please send them into school on Monday 27th April in clothing which is suitable for the woods, with a spare change of wellies in a carrier bag. Mr Wesley, Mrs Vaughn-Wright and Mrs Moore look forward to joining them for this! The next reward to be organised will be the **Red** team's!



Year 5/6 Orienteering Competition

Well done to our two orienteering teams who worked so hard running around Beyton Sixth Form's grounds finding 20 controls. Perseverance was definitely required to find some of the well-hidden ones!



Learning in the woods!

This term, each week a different class will have the opportunity to do a forest school session! Yesterday, Hedgehogs had a wonderful time in the woods. They worked well in teams to find natural materials to create a witch's potion!



Year 4 Times Tables Battle

Over the Easter Holidays, Woodpeckers and Nightingales battled it out to do as many times tables questions as possible. The final score was:

Nightingales 8,700 coins vs Woodpeckers 2,895 coins

A huge congratulations to Nightingales and a big well done to everyone who took part and practised their times tables this Easter!






Latitude Festival Children's Poetry Competition!

Now in its 3rd year, the BBC and Latitude Festival are giving children who go to schools in the local area, between the ages of 7 & 11, the chance to perform as the opening act at this year's Latitude Festival.

They're looking for 6 young people to write an original poem on the theme of 'generations' to open the festival on the Waterfront Stage and LIVE on the radio, across the East of England, on Thursday 23rd July.

- **Entries must be submitted by midday on Friday 24th April.**
- It must be an original poem of any length, up to 200 words, on the theme of 'generations'.
- One child will be chosen from each of the 6 BBC Local Radio stations in the east of England (Three Counties Radio, Essex, Radio Cambridgeshire, Radio Northamptonshire, Radio Norfolk & Radio Suffolk) and all 6 will get to perform their poem on stage with one over-all winner chosen from the six finalists.
- The six finalists will also receive a weekend family ticket to the festival.



<p>Full terms, privacy notice and 'how to enter' can be found here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4YJfvYJRDTs8LL1jjSPpR/Mp/childrens-poetry-competition-2026-for-bbc-east-and-the-latitude-festival</p> <p>Good luck everyone!</p>	
<p><u>Supporting through spreading awareness</u> Thank you to all of our families who helped to share the school's Facebook posts about the ex-pupils who were missing last night. It is great to know that they were found and safe.</p>	
<p><u>Friends of Combs Ford Primary</u> 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!</p>	
<p><u>Playing on school grounds</u> Please can we politely ask that children don't play in the woodland area of the school or on the school field before or after school. We also ask that children don't play ball games before school to ensure the safety of younger children who are also on the playground. Thank you.</p>	

Dates for the Diary

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

Easter Holidays Begin- Monday 30th March

Year 1 Maths Café- Tuesday 21st April (9am-10am Hedgehogs and 10am-11am Squirrels)

Year 2 Local Area Walk #1 – Wednesday 22nd April (1.30pm)

Year 2 Local Area Walk #2 – Thursday 7th May (1.30pm)

Year 5 Reading Café- Thursday 7th May (9am-10am Elephants and 10am-11am Bears)

Year 1 Walk to Combs Wood – Monday 11th May (PM)

Year 6 Writing Café- Monday 18th May (Sharks 9-10am, Wild Cats 10-11am)

HALF TERM- Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May

Year 1 Trip to Felixstowe - Tuesday 23rd June (All Day)

Year 2 Sewing Afternoon with Families- Wednesday 24th June (1.30pm-3pm)

Year 1 and 2 Sports Festival at Trinity – Thursday 25th June (Time TBC)

TRANSITION MORNING- Monday 29th June (AM)

Lower School Sports Day (Years 1-3) – Tuesday 30th June (9am-10.30am)

TRANSITION AFTERNOON- Tuesday 30th June (PM)

Year 2 Trip to Bury St Edmunds Cathedral – Wednesday 1st July (All Day)

Year 4 Tudor Immersion Afternoon with Families- Thursday 2nd July (1.30pm-3pm)

Year 3 Road Dahl Reading Event with Families- Friday 3rd July (1.30pm-3pm)

Upper School Sports Day (Years 4-6) – Tuesday 7th July (9am-10.45am)

EYFS Sports Day- Wednesday 8th July (9.30am -10.30am)

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Wesley, Mrs Aldred, Miss Fuller
Combs Leadership Team

