

Newsletter

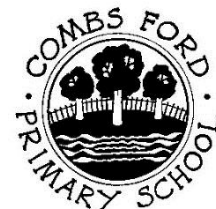
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Coffee Mornings

Miss Fuller will be holding more coffee mornings again this year, so do keep an eye out for new dates and pop along to join in.

Happy New Year

On behalf of all the staff and governors, may I wish everyone a very Happy New Year and wish you all the very best for 2019.

Also, our thanks for the many cards sent to staff with Christmas wishes – this was very kind & much appreciated.

Bad Weather Reminder

This is a simple reminder of what to expect if we have a spell of bad weather and you think the school may be affected:

- 1) School Not Open - if the weather is such that we cannot safely open the school, you will be informed in the following ways:
 - a. Text service – giving you as much info as possible. You will also receive updates as to when the school is open again!
 - b. Radio – Heart Radio announce all school closures both on air and on the website
 - c. Suffolk County Website - <https://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk/> and select Primary!
 - d. If possible, our school website will also show the school is closed.
- 2) School Closing Early – if we feel the weather is becoming increasing bad, we may consider it necessary to send children and staff home before the end of the day – you will receive a text and be asked to come as soon as possible (we appreciate this may not be immediate if working, for example). Until collection, children will of course be supervised by staff, though perhaps not in their usual classes. Bus children – please see individual text information at the time!

Whilst school closures do not happen very often, please be assured that we do not take the decision lightly – closing for a day may be necessary for safety, but:

- We recognise that it can make things very difficult for working parents, especially re child care
- It actually makes things very difficult for us here at school too, as timetables and schedules have to be re-drawn, and is definitely NOT an easy option for us.

Door Closing Times

When the bell rings at 8.50am, we allow 5 minutes for children to come in and settle. After that time, doors to classrooms and / or areas are locked for safety and anyone arriving late will need to report to the main reception area after this. If this is the case, please be aware that you will be asked to complete a quick form to register your child as late and give the reason for this – this is a requirement for all schools. Many thanks.

New Parent Governor

Following my letter last term we had one parent come forward with an interest in becoming a school governor. I am therefore happy to announce that Mr Brian Fenn will be joining our governing body as from this term.

New Look Website

Miss Plowman continues to make lots of improvements to our school website – if you haven't visited recently then do take a look: www.comsbfordprimary.co.uk

Amongst many other things you will find term dates and information about upcoming events.

Attendance_Figures

As your child may have told you, each half term we give out a trophy to the classes with the best overall attendance. So far this year the winners have been:

Autumn 1st half term: Kingfishers (99%) & Bears (97%)

Autumn 2nd half term: Otters (97%) & Owls (98%)

Well done to those classes; I look forward to seeing which classes get our trophies for this half term.

Mr Clark
Headteacher