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Special Award Winners this Week

Willow 1	Darcy-Rose E-D
Willow 2	Joey N
Yew 1	Harry D
Yew 2	Joshua L
Oak 1	Freya S
Oak 2	Ben M
Cherry 1	Elina S
Cherry 2	Lola-Mae R
Beech 1	Otto T & Seb S
Beech 2	Maggie Z
Maple 1	Finlay B
Maple 2	Grace P
Red 1	Ava M
Red 2	Sid W

Friday 8th October 2021

Well Done!

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FROM MRS GASCOIGNE, HEADTEACHER Term 1 Issue 4 2021

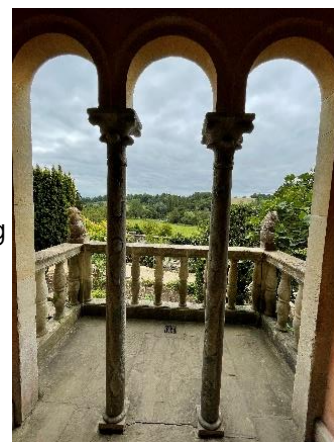
Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,
We are fast approaching the end of our first term in school. I cannot believe we are still managing to enjoy some wonderful sunshine and warmth at least occasionally.

I was so proud of the children on Wednesday as they calmly and quietly exited the school buildings during the Fire Drill. It was a very impressive practice. Well done to all.

Thank you to Maggie Holness, Paula McGuire and Lorraine Woolston for tidying up the flower beds on Wednesday morning. It was so nice to have them back on site with us after 18 months.

Thank you also to James Anderson for spending time with us this week, taking photos around the school; they will be used to update our website. There is always so much to celebrate in Combe Down.

Talking of celebration....we have an amazing opportunity for the whole of the school! We have been asked to be part of a great project which supports Mental Health. It is called Project Soothe, and Combe Down are only the second school to be part of this. There is a separate letter explaining everything but essentially, we are looking for **children to submit a photograph** that they or you have taken that makes them **feel calm, soothed, peaceful**. They need to **write a sentence** to accompany the photo explaining how it makes them feel. It is such a great project – please encourage your children to get involved.



"This image makes me feel so blessed and causes me to realise the world is so amazing. I am to be able to leave all my worries and concerns to one side when I am surrounded by such beauty."

Parent meetings will take place in the week beginning 18th October. Information about booking a time slot for an online meeting will be circulated. Please take this opportunity to find out how your child/ren have settled into their new classes.

I will not be on site on Friday this week as I am involved in a PAT wide Leadership Day with our new CEO, trustees, PAT central team and other head teachers.

Have a good weekend.

Contact the Governors via feedback@combedown.com
Contact the PTA via combedownpta@gmail.com
Contact the Prayer Group via prayergroup@combedown.com

Harvest food donations – from Monday 18th October

Harvest is fast approaching. We are again supporting the Food Bank. They have shared a list of non-perishable food items of which they are in need. Please bring them to school in the week of **Monday 18th October**. Our Harvest Celebrations will be during the same week. Our Worship Ambassadors will be leading the service.

Harvest Collection

Bath Foodbank requests your support again this autumn

Needed items:

- Tomato Pasta Sauce (Jars)**
- Custard (Tinned)**
- Long Life Juice**
- Tomatoes (Tinned)**
- Tea Bags**
- Rice Pudding (Tinned)**
- Fruit (Tinned)**
- Chocolate**
- Sponge Pudding**
- Biscuits**
- Mash (Instant)**
- Coffee (Instant)**
- Meat (Tinned)**
- Fish (Tinned)**

Bath foodbank

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Vacancies at Combe Down

We are re-advertising an admin/reception position in the front office here at Combe Down. The vacancy is for 20 hours a week, and on a temporary basis initially until July 2022. For more information, please contact the office. An application form can be downloaded for completion from the vacancies page on our website.

There is also a vacancy for a part-time lunchtime assistant, details of which are also on our website.

Request for spare clothing for Reception classes

The Reception classes have requested a few spare items of clothing that they can keep in the classroom to have available – in particular they would like underwear, tights, and boys joggers/shorts, in a size 4/5. If you have a few items that your child has outgrown then please drop them in to the school office.

School Twitter account

The way in which the school uses Twitter will be changing.

We feel, for consistency across the School, and in line with other Schools in the PAT that our School should have one Twitter account.

Once this is set up we will send you the new Twitter account details and where you can find it. On the Friday that we break up, all Twitter accounts for each class will be deleted.

We hope that you join us on our newest Twitter journey at the start of Term 2.

We remind you that the class blogs are a good way to keep up to date with the activities for the children on a weekly basis.

We thank you for your continued support of the Combe Down Twitter feed.

Upcoming dates for October (subject to change, please always check the website):

October 2021	
08 OCT	Year 5 Forest School ☐ Year 5
14 OCT	Year 3 and 4 Forest School ☐ Year 3
15 OCT	Year 3 and 4 Forest School ☐ Whole School
19 OCT	KS1 Harvest Celebration ☐ Key Stage 1 (years R-3)
21 OCT	Year 2 Forest School ☐ Year 2
21 OCT	KS2 Harvest Celebration ☐ Key Stage 2 (years 3-6)
22 OCT	Year 1 Forest School ☐ Year 1
22 OCT	End of Term 1 🕒 15:15 ☐ Term Dates

Letters home this week:

Wellbeing day
Project Soothe photo project

Whole school
Whole school

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