



14th February 2025

Dear Parents and Families

It always fills me with immense pride to write to you as Headteacher at Combe Pafford, non-less today as the halfway point of my first year in our wonderful school. This half term since Christmas seems to have flown by and has been filled with wonderful trips, learning opportunities and amazing days with our young people.

As I write, the whole staff team are engaged in whole school professional development and training that I know will be seen every day, moving forward. Thank you for your support of this inset day.

We have several exciting events planned in the next half term until Easter. World Book Day, I have been told is always a very exciting day in the school calendar and I am looking forward to dressing up as a book character. I am mindful though that this can cause some children, and adults worry, and it is important to say that any dressing up is entirely optional.

We will also have our next Parent/Family Forum on 11th March, and I invite as many of you as possible to join us in school for the workshops that are on offer. The rationale for our forums is to increase our engagement with you, our most important community stakeholders, and to ensure that we are working more closely with you to enable you to 'support your child'. The programme for this after school event will come out to you in the first week after half term. Part of this evening will focus on our upcoming residentials and staff will run workshops for each trip that will run for every year group.

In addition to this, I will be holding this terms 'Meet the Headteacher' events. The evening one of this will be at the end of the forum on the 11th March and the morning one will be on the same day at 9.00am.

I am very fortunate to have a wonderful team of staff working with me at the school. It is only through their hard work and dedication that our young people have the opportunities and experiences they do. I am sure you will join me and saying a very big thank you to all the staff for everything they do in school.

Can I wish all of you and your families a very happy half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back into school on Monday 24th February.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

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February 2025

- * 17th February First day of Half Term
- * 24th February Students Return to School – all students will be with their tutors for period 1
- * 25th February KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 26th February 6th Form – Swimming
- * 28th February KS2 Year 7 – Swimming

March 2025

- * 3rd March 6P & 6R Visiting Haytor
- * 4th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 5th March 6th Form – Swimming
- * 6th March World Book Day
- * 7th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 10th – 14th March CPS Science Week
- * 11th March Parent/Family Forum
- * 11th March Meet the Headteacher – 9.00am and 5.30 pm
- * 11th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 12th March 6th Form – Swimming
- * 14th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 17th March DTP Immunisation Team Visit
- * 17th – 25th March Kenya Residential – Sixth Form
- * 18th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 19th March 6th Form – Swimming
- * 19th March Auschwitz Day Trip – Sixth Form
- * 21st March Red Nose day
- * 21st March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 25th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming
- * 26th March 6th Form – Swimming
- * 27th March Rock Steady Parent Concert
- * 28th March KS2 Year 7 – Swimming

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