

January 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR and also welcome to Comet to all our new children and families. We hope you all have had a good start to 2024.

Lunar New Year – from the 5 th February	
We will be celebrating Lunar New Year by tasting food, making a dragon for the dragon dance and learning about traditions.	
This year is the Year of the Dragon	
If your child was born in:	
2019 – Year of the Pig	
2020 – Year of the Rat	
2021 – Year of the Ox	
Lunar New Year — Love Hackney	

Lunar New Year 2024 - Animal, Dates & Celebrations | HISTORY



Bike Borrowing

Would your child like to borrow one of our bikes for the weekend?

Our balance bikes help children to develop their skills and confidence. We will also provide a helmet.

Please see one of our staff team to organise.

Chickenshed Theatre Company

Chickenshed is an inclusive group who have started a 12 week programme with us and will be visiting every Friday afternoon. The session is filled with fun, songs, dance and puppets. Each week they will focus on a colour of the rainbow.

Tales from the Shed - Chickenshed

Math's Week – 29th January

We have an exciting week of learning and events planned for our Math's Week. Our focus will be on learning about Number.

We will be counting, building with bricks, learning number songs and rhymes and enjoying stories with a number theme.

Parent Workshop Event – 28th February

Come and make a number line with your child. Workshops will be held at 9am and 12.45pm. More information to follow.



Please name your child's scooter!

Some of the children's scooters are the same colour and make.

Someone has lost a purple scooter, please check at home to make sure you have the right one.

Please can you name your child's clothes!

Also don't forget to provide your child with a spare set of clothes to keep at nursery. There is a named bag on their peg. **The bag must be kept at school.**



Community Energy Parent workshop

Tuesday 30th January 9am and 12.45pm

Come and make a draught excluder with your child to take home. There will then be a session for parents on how to save money and energy and keep your home warm from HEAL (Home Energy Action Lab).

Snack donation

Please donate some fruit or vegetables each week for the children's snack time.

Either give it to the children to take to class or bring to reception.

Thank you!

Workshop Resources

Please collect and bring in boxes, bottle tops, corks, buttons and other materials we can use for children to build with in our workshop area.

Attendance and times at Comet

At Comet we believe it is really important for children to attend every day and that they are on time. This allows your child to start the beginning of their session with their friends and gives them positive life skills on the importance of being on time.

Our session times in Sun and Star Room (3 and 4 year olds) are:-

Morning session	9 – 11.30am
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Afternoon session 12.45 – 3.15pm

30 hours provision 9am – 3pm

Full day for part time 9am – 3.15pm children

Our session times in Moon Room (2 year olds) are:-

Morning session8.30 - 11.30amAfternoon session12.30 - 3.30pm



If you need to collect your child early we would ask that you arrange this with the office team, however we would ask that you keep to the session times as much as possible.

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2024

29th January – 2nd February – Maths Week 30th January – Community Energy Parent Workshop 5th – 9th February – Luna New Year Celebrations (Year of the Dragon) 12th – 16th February – Half term

Monday 19th February – children return to school Wednesday 28th February – Maths workshop for children and parents 4th -8th March – Book Week Thursday 7th March – World Book Day Friday 8th March – Mother's Day activities Monday 18th March – Global recycling day Monday 25th March – Easter activities week Thursday 28th March – Last day of term

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15th April – closed INSET Day Tuesday 16th April – Children return to school Wednesday 17th April – Eid celebration party Thursday 2nd May – Polling Day school Comet closed Friday 3rd May – INSET Day closed Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday closed 13th – 16th May - Hatching ducklings Wednesday 15th May – Class photos 27th – 31st May – Half term

Monday 3rd June – Children return to school

Saturday 15th June – Open day for new families

Sunday 16th June – Father's Day

24th – 28th June – Art and Creativity Week

Wednesday 3rd July – children's showcase event for parents

Friday 5th July – Leavers reports to parents

Wednesday 10th July – Comet's Got Talent

Friday 12th July – Leavers trip (nursery closed to all other children in Sun and Star Rooms)

Friday 12th July – Moon Room fun day

 $15^{\text{th}}-19^{\text{th}}$ July – Olympic Week

Monday 22nd July – Donkey Day

Wednesday 24th July – summer end of term party & last day of term.

PLEASE NOTE there will be no breakfast, tea club or full time hours on this day.