Comet News

April 2024

Welcome to the summer term (hopefully we will see the sun soon). This term is packed full of learning opportunities and fun!

Last term we were happy to see so many parents attending our Maths Workshop as well as our Community Energy Workshop, thank you for coming.

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

The children have loved joining in with all the songs and dances when Chickenshed come on a Friday afternoon.

We only have them for 3 more weeks and next week the children can come dressed in rainbow colours.

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.**

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.

Earth Day

This week (22nd April) we are learning about how to care for our environment. The theme for Earth Day 2024 is Planet vs. Plastics. The children will be taking part in a range of activities to help them learn about the harm plastic can do to our world and what we can do to help.



Here is a short Youtube video that you can watch with your child.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRnFzZj4dVk&list=WL&index=57&t=2

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!



Rights Respecting Schools

Last term we had our assessment to become a Silver Rights Respecting School. We are pleased that Comet is now a Silver Rights Aware School. The assessor was very impressed by the



children, staff and parents who took part in the assessment and the progress the school has made. She commended the school for its 'listening culture' where 'pupil voice is valued highly'. Look out for our fantastic banner outside!

Natural Explorers outings



This term our Natural Explorers will continue to visit Shoreditch Library to develop their love of reading. Each child who comes on the trip borrows a book to bring back and share with the children at school, which they really enjoy. We will also be doing canal walks this term to prepare our children for the arrival of the ducklings in May. On our walks we will also do litter picking to develop the

children's understanding of caring for our world as part of Eco Schools.

Toys, Back-packs and bottles of water

We are asking that children DO NOT bring toys to nursery, they get lost and the children get upset.

Please also DO NOT bring back-packs as we have limited space on the pegs and children can put their extra clothes in the blue bags provided. Children also have access to water throughout the day and do not need their own water bottle.

Thank you



Tesco Stronger Starts – Vote for Comet!!

Our application to Tesco Stronger Starts for up to £1500 funding for the School has been successful and have been put forward to the customer vote in the following Tesco stores: Shoreditch High Street, Old Street, Dalston Junction, Haggerston, Hackney, Southgate Road. Don't forget to collect your token and vote for Comet!

Children's learning

We have really enjoyed watching how much children are learning. In the Spring Term children were learning about numbers and counting, they made their 10 or 5 frames with parents and made their own number lines. Children have been developing their physical skills outside, running, jumping and trying to master the monkey rings!

The children have been learning about Ramadan and Eid, they had a little party to celebrate. They enjoyed dancing, trying some dates and dressing up. Thank you to the families who made the lovely biscuits and cakes.

<u>Don't forget – we are closed from Thursday 2nd to Monday 6th May</u>

<u>Children return to nursery on Tuesday 7th May</u>

Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2024

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

Friday 7th June – Soccer Aid day

Sunday 16th June – Father's Day

Thursday 20th June – Refuge Day and Windrush Day activities

24th – 28th June – Art and Creativity Week

Wednesday 3rd July – Art activity parent workshop

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

15th – 19th 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.