

# Comet News

June 2019

We are now very close to the end of term and it's a very busy time of year at Comet.

## Staffing news

Deborah, Sun Room teacher and SENDCo is leaving us at the end of term. Deborah is moving to Manchester and getting married in the summer holidays. I'm sure you will join us in wishing her good luck in her new job and married life!



Kerri, our Deputy Headteacher will be taking over the role of SENDCo from September.



Congratulations to Beatriz, who currently works in Sun Room as an NEO, she will be taking on the role of class teacher from September 2019. Beatriz previously worked as a teacher in Spain.

Morgan who currently works in Moon Room will be taking on the role of senior NEO in the Children's Centre. She will be covering Kelly Ladd's maternity leave. We would also like to wish Kelly good luck when she goes on maternity leave at the end of August.

## Garden project

The garden project is underway, have you been to have a look?



### *Summer Party invitation*

*Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - 11am - 1.30pm*

We would like to invite all our children and families to our Summer Party. This will be a celebration of the year at Comet with face paints, Captain Fantastic and the grand opening of our new garden. The Speaker of Hackney will also be here to officially open the garden.

Please bring along your favourite dish to share with all the families, the staff will bring theirs as well.



## Fitness Week - 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July

We have organised a Fitness Week to support our work this year on developing children's physical skills. Look out for more information about what we have planned nearer the time.



## What we've been learning

We have been very busy in the nursery, noticing the changes that Spring has brought. The bulbs we planted earlier in the year blossomed, as did the trees in the garden. Julie, our gardener, also helped us plant lots of delicious things to eat and we are looking forward to harvesting the strawberries and beans in the next month.



We have also been very lucky to have four little ducklings hatch in the nursery. We had a lovely time while the ducks were here, watching them grow very quickly, giving them a gentle stroke and letting them have a little swim outside. The children were fascinated by the life cycle they had a glimpse of, observing this process from egg to duckling.

## Suitable shoes for climbing!

We have noticed that there are a few children wearing Crocs, which are not safe for climbing, running and using the bikes. Please make sure your children are wearing appropriate shoes for nursery life! Thank you.



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## Family outing ideas



The EID STREET PARTY will take place on: Sunday 30th JUNE 2019 (5pm - 7pm) on Dynevor Road (Outside 93a, N16 0DA) – Opp Sainsbury's Local on Stoke Newington High Street.

Please see the poster at Comet for more information.

How about visiting the Natural History <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/> or Science Museums <https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/>, they are both free and great fun.

Okido Art and Science workshop at Telling Tales, G.05 Northside Studios, 16-29 Andrews Road, London, London, E8 4QF <https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/local/hackney/whats-on/okido-art--science-workshop-transport---hackney-166726>

You can look here for lots of ideas of what to do with your children in Hackney. Have a look at the 'Kids' guide to places to see and things to do'. <http://www.hackneywow.co.uk/>

Days out on a shoestring! <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/united-kingdom/england/london/articles/best-family-days-out-in-london-for-under-5-pounds/>

# Children's Centre News

## Summer Timetable

The new Summer Timetable will be released on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July and will be emailed to you as well as being available on-line or from the office:



## Summer Holiday Activities

### Comet's Big Trip - Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July



After the success of last year's trip to Canvey Island we asked our families where they would like to go this year, the answer was back to Canvey Island! Hopefully the weather will be like last year and the sun will shine all day. If you would like to come along, please see the office for a booking letter. There will be a deposit of £5 per person and children under the age of 3 must sit on their own on the coach, so you must bring a booster or a car seat. The deposit will be returned to you on the day.

### Narrow Boat Trip - Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August

Lee will be our skipper for the day and will take our families on a journey along the canal. This is a popular trip and gets booked quickly, please book via Kelly or Sarah-Jane in the Children's Centre during a stay & play session.

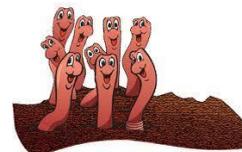
### Comet's Summer Party - Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> August

We will finish our summer fun with a summer party. We are asking families to sign up in the Children's Centre and to bring along a traditional dish for everyone to share.

## Summer Stay & Plays

We also have some exciting stay & play sessions organised, these include:

- ❖ Super Hero Mask
- ❖ Canvas Painting
- ❖ Comet Little Bakers
- ❖ Eco Active - Meet the worms & junk modelling
- ❖ Ball games in the nursery garden
- ❖ Water Play



*Please remember our stay & play sessions are for children aged between 0-6 years.  
Unfortunately we are unable to allow older siblings.*

## HENRY - October 2019



We are pleased to be offering a HENRY course which will start in October and run for 8 weeks. We will send more information out in September, but if you would like to sign up, please speak to the office.

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **Summer term 2019**

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Leavers outing to Willows Farm  
(Nursery closed to all other Sun and Star Room children but open for Moon Room)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Moon Room outing to Queensbridge

8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July - Fitness Week

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers reports to parents

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - End of term party for children and their families  
and last day of term

### **Autumn Term 2019**

Children return to nursery on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September