



Comet Nursery School and Children's Centre Newsletter

January 2016



Happy New Year and welcome back to all our children and also welcome to our new children and families. We hope you had a lovely holiday and we look forward to the term ahead. We would also like to say a big thank you for all your kind Christmas gifts and cards, they are much appreciated.

Staffing changes

Vicky, our SENCO has now gone on maternity leave and Zoe the Star Class teacher will be covering her role. Chloe Collins will be the class teacher in Star Class every Tuesday.

Admission to Reception Class

Is your child born between 1st September and 31st August 2012?

Don't forget the closing date for your application is **Friday 15th January 2016**. If you do not have your application in by this time it will be classed as a late application and you may not get the school of your choice for your child. Please see Lisa or Katie if you need more information.



Parent Consultations

Every term you will be offered a parent consultation with your child's key person to discuss your child's progress and development. It's really important that you attend these meetings so that we can share with you what your child has been learning and develop a partnership that supports their development.



Phone Numbers

We send texts to parents with important information; if you HAVE NOT received a text and you have changed your number recently can you make sure you update our records at the office.
Thank you.



Please be on time!

It's really important that children are on time coming to school so they get the most out of their time to learn and play. If you are going to be late or your child is unwell please call into the school office by 9.30am to let us know. This is really important especially if your child has lunch on that day. Here is a reminder of our phone number 020 7749 9850.

Children Centre News

We had a busy Christmas period where we made decorations for the Children's Centre and personal tree decorations using a photo of your child. These were really well received and made our tree look beautiful.

If you forgot to take your decoration home, please let us know as we have a few to be collected. 20 families enjoyed the trip to Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs pantomime at Hoxton Hall. This was an exciting morning for our

children and we would like to thank our Parent Forum who raised money for this event.



On Wednesday 13th January our parenting sessions begin. This programme helps you learn new ways to manage and understand your child's behaviour whilst supporting you to explore the parent child relationship and try a variety of positive discipline strategies that have great results. There is still time to enrol on this incredible course. If you are interested please speak to Carol or Gareth for joining details.

Do you have experience in gardening? Would you like to be involved in helping us grow fruit and vegetables for the children to eat? If so, please get in touch as we will soon be starting a gardening programme and are looking for some green fingered helpers. If you would like to register your interest, please contact our office staff.



We look forward to seeing you at one of our sessions very soon.

Dates for your Diary

Spring term 2016

Monday 8th February – Chinese New Year (year of the monkey)

Tuesday 9th February – Pancake Day

15th – 19th February – Half term

Monday 22nd February – School closed for INSET Day

Tuesday 23rd February – School closed for INSET Day

29th February – 4th March – Book Week

Sunday 6th March – Mother's Day

Thursday 17th March – St Patrick's Day

21st – 24th March – Easter activities

Thursday 24th March – Last day of term

Summer Term 2016

Monday 11th April – Children return to school

18th – 22nd April – Week of Happiness

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday school closed

Saturday 7th May – Comet Open Day

Wednesday 11th May – Class photos and family photos

30th – 5th May – Half term

Monday 6th June – Children return to school

13th – 17th June – Art Week

11th – 15th July – Sports Week

Friday 22nd July – End of term party for children and their families and last day of term

We will inform you of any new dates as soon as possible.