



## End of Year Newsletter July 2015



We are now at the end of the year and we have to say goodbye to many of our children who are transferring to reception class. The children have been a fantastic group with lots of energy and enthusiasm for learning.

The reports for the leaving children outlined how much they have developed over the year, the new skills they have learnt and the friendships they have made. We hope their time at Comet has equipped them for the challenges ahead and instilled in them the foundations for all future learning.

We also need to say goodbye to Comet who is leaving us to have her 3<sup>rd</sup> baby, we wish her good luck and I'm sure she will come and visit. Marion who works in Moon Room will also be leaving. Although Marion has only been here for a short time she has worked hard to support the 2 year old children. We wish them both lots of luck in the future.

### Look at what we have done this year.....

- Macmillan Coffee Morning
- Firework party
- Celebrated Diwali
- Heritage Week
- Steel pans workshop
- Children in Need Day
- Christmas Party and visit from Father Christmas
- We had a Christmas sing-a-long for parents
- Dance Performance at Haggerston School
- Chinese New Year celebrations including a lion dance
- Book week, we looked at our favourite stories and had a visit from an author, story teller and illustrator
- Making pancakes for Pancake Day
- Red Nose Day where we raised £177.00
- Russell Brand opened our new provision for 2 year old children
- We said goodbye to Joy and hello to Fliss
- We watched the chicks hatch from eggs and caterpillars change in to butterflies
- We gave our mums daffodils for Mothers Day
- Comet Saturday Open day
- Hunted for Easter eggs that the Easter bunny had left for us in the garden
- Easter programme in the Children's Centre was very successful
- We have taken part in movement sessions led by Leanna
- Weekly music sessions with Corin; a highlight of the week for many children!
- Class and individual photos

- We launched our Home learning cards for parents and children
- Early reading coffee morning for parents
- We launched a new website
- A group of children visited Tate Modern gallery
- Trip along the canal in a narrow boat
- Monday Funday for Moon Class
- Visits from Eco-active who showed us how to make paper and how to build a worm farm
- A very creative Art Week where we focused on sculpture
- We organised visits from the local schools where children are transferring to in September
- Leavers outing to Willows Farm
- We were very famous on Sky News!
- And lastly we look forward to our end of term Summer Party with lots of lovely food and entertainment from Captain Fantastic!
- **AND A REALLY SUCCESSFUL OFSTED INSPECTION WHERE THE SCHOOL WAS GRADED OUTSTANDING (AGAIN)**

So as you can see we have had a very busy time.

To the parents/carers I would like to say thank you for your support, we can't give the children the best without an open and trusting home/school partnership. It has been a pleasure to work with you all.



And finally to a fantastic staff, I'm sure you would agree with me in saying a big thank you to them, as without their commitment to the children we would not have been able to achieve as much as we have this year.

To our leaving children and their parents good luck in your new school and keep in touch and to our returning children and parents see you on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September.**

**Please come to our Summer Party and bring some lovely food to share; it will be fun!!**

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Last day of term, Comet Summer Party and International Food event  
11.30am – 1pm ONLY, children MUST bring an adult!**

**Children's Centre reopens on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August – please pick up a programme, there is still lots to do at Comet in the summer holidays!**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Children return to school**

26<sup>th</sup> October – 30<sup>th</sup> October – Half term  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – End of term

**Have a great summer holiday.**