

Comet News

November 2019

It's always a busy time with the run up to the Christmas holidays. Please make sure you look at the diary dates for any new events and changes.

Parent Workshop: Playdough making session

Wednesday 4th December



Please save the date for our Parents workshop on the 4th December when you drop your child(ren) off to nursery. We will provide the ingredients you need for you and your child to make your own playdough. There will also be information about the variety of learning opportunities that playdough can offer and you can take your playdough home to get started. We will be running this in the morning and afternoon for Sun, Star and Moon parents. Keep an eye out for more information nearer the date!

Don't forget to call into the school on the first day of absence if your child is unwell or won't be in.

020 7749 9850



Macmillan Coffee

Morning/Afternoon - A BIG

THANKYOU

Wow.....thank you. You raised over £200 for the charity.



Bike Borrowing

If your child is in Sun or Star Rooms, would they like to borrow one of our brand new balance bikes and helmets for the weekend? This is a great opportunity for children to develop their confidence on the bikes and have a fun weekend. Please sign up at the office.



Natural Explorers

Our Natural Explorers have been out exploring the local area. They have been to the library for a storytime session, Shoreditch Park to collect conkers and some of us even went to Tate Modern to see the Olafur Eliasson exhibition. Children who are entitled to Free School Meals are offered these exciting opportunities as part of our Natural Explorers programme and really benefit from going out in small groups and learning lots of new words to develop a broad vocabulary. If you think you are entitled to free schools meals please see the office staff for more information on how to apply.

We are giving away a FREE Comet t-shirt to all children who are entitled to free schools meals as a thank you for registering.

What we have been learning

The children have had a lovely time watching as Autumn turns colder, making way for the Winter months. We've talked about how to keep warm outside and have been practising independent dressing skills such as, putting on coats, hats and scarves. During our *Week of Light*, the children made Diya lamps to celebrate Diwali. They were also treated to an exciting fireworks display in our garden and we had lots of conversations about colour, light, sounds and most importantly, staying safe!



Home Learning



We have lots of information and ideas for home learning for parents in the hall. Please have a browse and let us know if you can't find what you're looking for.

We also provide a book borrowing service. Children will be provided with a school book bag and will be able to choose a book to bring home every Wednesday. Please share this book with you child and also keep it safe and cared for. We ask that you return the book bag the following Tuesday ready for a new book.



Christmas sing-a-long Invitation
Monday 16th December at 11am or 2.30pm



Children's Christmas party

Thursday 19th December 10am -12.30pm

The children are invited to come to our party. *Please note that this replaces **ALL** our usual session times and there is **no** breakfast club, tea club or full day provision on this day.*

We will provide all the food for the party and we are hoping that Father Christmas will visit us during the party!!



Ideas for family outings



How about treating the family to see Stickman by Julia Donaldson, it's one of our favourite books <http://stickmanlive.com/>

Or stay more local and go to see Mimi and the Mountain Dragon at Hoxton Hall <https://www.hoxtonhall.co.uk/event/mimi-and-the-mountain-dragon/>

We have been given 1 free adult and child ticket for Friday 20th December which we will raffle off nearer to Christmas, please look out for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2019

- Monday 2nd December - Book fair (all week)
Wednesday 4th December - Parents workshop: Come and make playdough
Thursday 12th December - School closed for General Election
Friday 13th December - Children's Christmas lunch
Monday 16th December - Christmas sing-a-long performance for parents
Thursday 19th December - Children's Christmas Party and last day of term

Spring Term 2020

- Tuesday 7th January - children return to school
Friday 10th January - School closed for INSET day
Monday 20th January - Chinese New year (Year of the Rat)
17th - 21st February - Half term
Monday 24th February - children return to school
Monday 2nd March - Book Week
Thursday 5th March - World Book Day
Monday 9th March - Fitness Week
Friday 13th March - Sport Relief charity day
Sunday 22nd March - Mother's Day
Monday 30th March - Autism Awareness week
Friday 3rd April - Last day of term

Summer Term 2020

- Monday 20th April - Closed for INSET Day (TBC)**
Tuesday 21st April - Children return to school
Saturday 2nd May - Open day for new families
Thursday 7th May - School Closed for GLA Elections
Friday 8th May - Bank Holiday school closed
Monday 11th May - Hatching ducklings (2 weeks)
23rd/24th May - Eid ul Fitr
25th May - 29th May - Half term
Monday 1st June - Children return to school
Monday 8th June - Art Week
16th and 17th June - Canal trip for Sun and Star Rooms
21st June - Father's Day
Wednesday 8th July - Leavers reports to parents
Friday 17th July - End of term party for children and their families
and last day of term