



# Comet News

November 2017



Lisa Furlong who is a Nursery Education Officer in Sun Room, and has worked at Comet for 19 years is leaving on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Lisa is leaving to pursue further training and new opportunities. We wish her lots of luck, with a big thank you from all the staff and children for her hard work and commitment to Comet.

## Early Years Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of certain benefits such as income support and jobseeker's allowance and think your child is entitled to free school meals please go to the Hackney Learning Trust website and register to get your child a free school meal. Without confirmation of free school meals you will be charged the daily rate of £2.00. A daily menu is displayed outside Sun Room.

If you are entitled to free school meals the school automatically gets Early Years Pupil Premium funding. This allows us to take children on trips, offer Forest School and gardening activities. We really do rely on this extra funding to make sure our children get lots of different opportunities to extend their learning.

## Driving and parking near Comet

We would ask that all parents are considerate when driving and parking near the school. We have many families that cycle or use scooters to come to school and parking on the zigzags, double yellow lines and on the corner of the road is dangerous for cyclist and pedestrians.

Thank you for your support.



## Parents information Evening

Thank you to all the parents that attended, we had a great turn out. If you couldn't make it and wanted the information from the evening please see the Home Learning carousel in the hall for the presentation.

## **Primary School Transition Meeting**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 9am

DON'T FORGET

We will be holding this meeting to support parents in the application process, the importance of school visits and what to look for when you're visiting. We will also be able to answer any questions you may have.

### *Children in Need - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November*

We will be having a fundraising day to support Children in Need. Please come dressed in as many spotty clothes as you can, or maybe dress up like Pudsey Bear, and donate what you can to this good cause. We will be having a fun day with lots of spotty activities.



## Children's Centre News

### **Food Co-op comes to Comet:**

Are you in receipt of Healthy Start Vouchers? Do you receive any benefits?

If you do, then you could receive up to **£6 extra per week, per child** (under the age of 5 years old), in Rose Vouchers to spend on Fruit & Vegetables. For more details, please come to our Food Co-op on:

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 11am - 12.30pm**

You can register and find out more information on the day. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to purchase fruit and vegetables at good prices.



## Dates for your Diary

### Autumn Term 2017

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 9am - Primary school transition meeting for parents  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - School photographer for individual photos of children  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need fundraising  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas sing-a-long performance for parents  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Children's Christmas Party and  
last day of term

### Spring term 2018

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January - Children return to school  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February - new children photo day  
12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> February - Half term  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Chinese New Year (Year of the Dog)  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March - World Book Day  
5<sup>th</sup> March - 9<sup>th</sup> March - Book Week  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Mother's Day  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Sport Relief Day  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of term

### Summer Term 2017

- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Children return to school  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - School closed for Polling Day  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Open day for new families  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday school closed  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Class photos and family photos  
28<sup>th</sup> May - 1<sup>st</sup> June - Half term  
11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> June - Art Week  
17<sup>th</sup> June - Father's Day  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> 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.