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Newsletter

Monday 21st June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy couple of weeks at school with lots of discussion about transitions and what we can and can't do within the extended restriction guidelines. There are a lot of children making various different transitions so trying to juggle them all within the restrictions is quite complicated. Thank you for your patience with this. I am sorry that we will not be able to offer the full programme of transition that we would like to. We understand that this is disappointing for you and your children and may cause some anxiety. It is disappointing for us too.

I had a very positive meeting about setting up the PTA at Comper. We had a small group of parents from across all the settings coming to it, which was great as it ensures that the whole school is represented. Michaela Thornton, a parent from daycare has offered to co-chair the PTA. Please do get in touch with the school if you would be interested in co-chairing the PTA with her and we can put you in touch. It doesn't just have to be one other person, it could be a small group of you, so the responsibility and workload does not feel too great. If anyone else would like to join the small group that has already formed but is not interested in chairing, then we would also love to hear from you.

Staffing update

- Sarah O'Flanagan from Strawberry class has decided to reduce her hours to three days a week for next academic year.
- Anne Marie Shenton from Mango, has become a granny this year, so is reducing her hours next year to two days a week to have more time for 'granny duties.'
- Sarah and Anne Marie will therefore share a class from next year.
- Sarah Weaver is going to step out of class next year and be our Assistant Head for two days a week, in order to cover the day I am out of school, support our new teacher and support me with other leadership initiatives. This is a role she previously had in the school before she went on maternity leave.
 - Last week, we recruited a lovely teacher called Sarah Merry. She has just completed her NQT year in a school in Suffolk and is relocating to Oxford to be close to family. She has come highly recommended from her last headteacher and is very much looking forward to joining the Comper team.
- Chrissy Gower will be reducing her days to just one day a week just for the Autumn Term in the first instance. She will spend this day focusing entirely on her role as Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO).

End of term

Just to ensure you have plenty of advance notice, school will close for reception children at **12.30pm on Thursday 22nd July**. The children will have lunch with us. Nursery and Daycare will remain open as normal. However, if you have siblings in these settings and would like to collect them at 12.30pm with your older child or will not be bringing them to their afternoon session as a result of reception closing early, please just let a member of staff know.

Last but not least, we would like to send a huge thank you to Chamberlain Evans Estate Agents, who are based on the Iffley Road for their generous donation of £250 to our Comper Garden Project. It is great to see local businesses supporting us with this project. Thank you.

Wishing you all a positive week ahead.

With very best wishes,
Catherine King



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THANK YOU!



Summer 2

Monday 7th June to Thursday 22nd July

Autumn 1 2021

Friday 3rd September to Friday 22nd October

Wednesday 1st September—INSET Day

Thursday 2nd September—INSET Day

Friday 3rd September—First day school is open to children. There will be staggered starts to support settling all the new children.

Autumn 2 2021

Monday 1st November to Friday 17th December

Friday. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to support her with the set up and running of the event. These events could not happen without dedicated help and support of our parents.

Thank you to all of you who donated cakes for the cake sale.

We have not yet had time to count all the money, but thank you for supporting this event despite the grotty weather. We will let you know how much it raised as soon as we know.



Term 6 Ends -

Thursday 22nd July.

Holiday Club will run over the summer holidays. Please get in touch with the office if you would like to find out more and book in. We still have spaces.

Looking forward to Iffley Fields



Sunday 27th

June

2.00pm — 4.00pm

A massive thank you to Claire Phillips (Mango class parent) for rallying the troops and organising the cake sale at very short notice on



⇒ The Early Years Framework has been updated this year. The new version will become statutory from September 2021. The framework is a statutory document that sets the standard and regulations for all Early Years settings. It outlines the overarching principles of learning and development in the early years, the educational programmes and requirements for assessment. Please click on

the link below if you would like to know more.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/974907/E_YFS_framework_-_March_2021.pdf

⇒ Please ensure when it is hot that you put sun cream on your child just before school and that you use a long lasting one, so they don't have to reapply.



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Having fun at Comper





