



Newsletter

Monday 13th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We thoroughly enjoyed the sunshine at Comper last week. Our garden was like a little natural oasis in the middle of the city. We have been seeing high levels of engagement with the climbing equipment, the monkey bars are always a firm favourite and it has been really noticeable with lots of practice, how much stronger the children are getting each week.

We had a wonderful day with Farms 2 Ewe coming into the school. The children spent time in small groups with a key adult chatting about the animals, stroking, feeding and grooming them. The children then had another opportunity to choose to go back out with the animals if they wanted to. It was lovely to see some parents and siblings joining in with the experience in the afternoon. Staff certainly enjoyed themselves too.....it has set off a bit of a debate about which would make the best school pet, I think the pygmy goat is the front runner at the moment!



Without your financial support to cover the costs of the trips and experiences, we will be unable to continue to offer the children fantastic curriculum enriching experiences such as Farms 2 Ewe. This week you will receive your invoices. This is a reminder that from this term invoices will include a £20 termly charge to cover trips and experiences at Comper.



Fruit & Veg donation - THANK YOU so much for all your donations. This system is working very well and we are receiving a wide variety of fruit, vegetables, cheese, crackers, breadsticks and healthy snacks. Please just remember to check there are no sesame or nuts in them.

Attendance Our attendance at nursery is currently 91% this term. We are pleased with this, but think that we can do even better. The children are loving being outside. The weather is warmer and hopefully there will be less illness around now we are in the summer term, so we are looking forward to seeing them for all their regular sessions.



YOUR VIEWS MATTER

We have only had 14 responses to our parent survey so far. The feedback we have had is really lovely and helpful in equal measure. It really is helpful to have your feedback. The leadership team and governors take feedback very seriously and use it to help inform our school development priorities for the following academic year. The survey takes about 5 minutes to complete. Please click to fill it in [Parent Survey](#)

Nappy Changing

We have a high number of children in nappies at Comper at the moment. Changing nappies is part of the basic Early Years care that we expect to deliver as part of our professional duties. However, with a high number of children to manage, it is time consuming. We would be very grateful that if your child is still in nappies, you could help us out by making sure they are in normal nappies with sticky tabs, **not pull ups**, and that they are wearing clothes that are quick to slip off and on to access their nappy easily eg bottoms/skirts with elasticated wastes, not dungarees or too many buttons and poppers.

Suitable Clothes for learning and playing at Nursery

The children are spending large proportion of their time outside at the moment, running around, climbing, playing with water, in the mud kitchen and searching for bugs and creepy crawlies. In order that they can do this as safely and as comfortably as possible, please can you make sure they are coming to school in clothes that are safe and easy to run and climb in, that support their independence with self care such as going to the toilet, and that you don't mind them getting dirty.

Footwear

While sandals and crocs are great because they are cool for children's feet, they can be quite unsafe when they are running around and children seem to be more prone to tripping over when they wear shoes that are not secured well, such as crocs. Crocs and some sandals can be very slippery on climbing equipment too. Sandals that are well secured and even without an open toe tend to be better for the children while they're at Nursery especially when running around on the bark and playing in the mud kitchen.

Is your child leaving this academic year?

If so, please don't forget to complete the leavers form. Come and see Sophie in the office in for any reason you need one.

A few summer term dates for you:

Parents evenings- week beginning the 8th July will be the last opportunity of the academic year for you to come in to school to chat to your child's key worker about their development and progress. Sign ups will be after half term.

Comper Summer Celebration SAVE THE DATE - Friday 19th July 5pm—7pm. All families, staff and governors invited. Bring and share food and drinks.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy week ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Catherine King'.

Catherine King