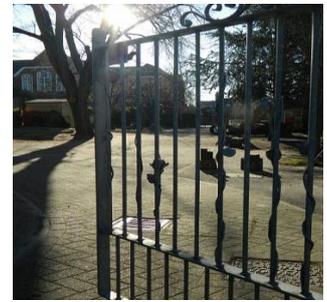




*Nursery School with Child
Care and Reception Classes*



News4you

Late Term 1, October 2017

Dear parents/carers,

Hard to believe, but we are nearly at the end of the first term of the school year. This is an opportunity to share some news with you and, above all, to thank you for your interest, involvement and support. It is a pleasure working with you and, of course, your children!

Mid-term holidays

With the exception of the Play Scheme (including all round child care provision), Comper is closed from 3pm (5.30pm in after school club) on Friday 20th until Tuesday 31st October. Monday 30th October is a compulsory staff training day; hence the **Tuesday start** that week. See our website for details of future holidays: www.comper.org.uk

Play scheme (Holiday Club)

This will be running during the weekdays of the mid-term break (Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October). We will confirm if your application is successful by the end of this week. We regret that no more applications are possible due to the high demand for places. See our website for further information about future holiday provision, including our admissions policy: www.comper.org.uk

Child Care- Apple (Hertford Street) and Lavender (East Oxford School site Union Street)

Our popular and well-regarded Child Care provision on two sites welcomes all children, including places for fee-paying children in Lavender Room. Contact Basia (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday): daycare.1005@comper.oxon.sch.uk (01865 245768)

Our apologies if any Lavender room, Reception or Nursery parents received the incorrect invoice for additional Child Care. Hopefully this has been sorted, but please contact Basia if you have any further queries.

Safeguarding all our children

You can find out more about our safeguarding on our website, including recently revised policies for safeguarding, whistleblowing, missing children, emergency evacuations and our 'lockdown' procedure. In addition, please see the 'safe and sound' noticeboard in the entrance lobby.

Thank-you.....

- To the group of parents who are helping the children design and make Christmas cards to sell for our school fund.

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- Gifting unwanted, but quality puzzles, toys and play equipment etc.
- Supporting our **cake sale** (our next one is this Friday 13th October)
- Not parking or dropping off in front of school (by the cones)
- Helping children thoughtfully negotiate their way in and out of our narrow entrances and tight spaces
- Letting us know why your child is not in school (to explain the absence)
- NOT using mobile phones, **for any reason**, in Comper
- Your welcome questions, comments and ideas to make things right for all of us and the very best possible for the children

Staffing

Time to thank and send our good wishes for the future to Melissa (in Apple Room) and Zamida (lunchtime supervisor), both leaving next week. We will let you know once we have appointed replacement staff.

Also, from the start of Term 2, Vivien Hunt will continue to lead in Mango Class except for Fridays when Justine Carnegie will take the lead of a team that includes Harpreet and one other Early year's practitioner (to be confirmed), supported at various times by myself as Head, and Chrissy Gower as our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator.

You are always welcome to ask to talk to a member of staff, including myself or Sarah Weaver. Providing all is well, Sarah will be leaving to go on maternity leave at the end of week 2 of next term; Chrissy Gower will be acting assistant head in Sarah's absence.

Feedback

Do let us know how you think Comper is working for you and your child. The governors and staff welcome your interest and suggestions. Ben Cairns is our Chair (two children recently in Comper) and Heather Hammill our vice-Chair (parent of three children, one currently attending Comper). Please see the governor noticeboard in the entrance or visit our website for more information.

Once more, thank-you for your interest and support

Chris (Head), Sarah W (Assistant Head) and Chrissy Gower (Assistant Head in waiting)



Comper is committed to preserving and keeping safe our many wonderful trees.