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Newsletter

Friday 19th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,



What a wonderful array of night wear we have in East Oxford! It has been fantastic to see all the children and staff in their pyjamas today. Thank you everyone for making the effort and in aid of such a good cause. We have raised £116.73 for Children in Need.

Staffing

We have more news around staffing for you this week.



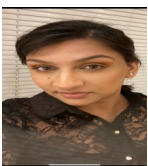
We are very sad to announce that Michelle Francis is leaving us this term. Her last working Day will be Tuesday 30th November. Michelle has been a highly valued and committed member of the Comper team for the last 5 years and has run after school club and holiday club for us too. Michelle is taking up an administrative role in the NHS. We know you will join us in wishing her all the very best in her new role. We will all miss her greatly. If your child is one of Michelle's key children, then she will be speaking to you on Monday to discuss who their new key worker will be. Michelle and the team are already working hard behind the scenes to make the hand over as smooth as possible.



We are delighted to announce that Katy Warne, one of our very experienced Early Years Professionals, who currently works in Nursery, will be stepping into the daycare setting as the deputy lead. Many of you will already know Katy well. Katy is very excited about taking on her new role and looking forward to working with you all. If your child is one of Katy's key children, then she will be speaking to you on Monday to discuss who their new key worker will be.



We are also very excited to introduce Lisa Roberts who will be our new Nursery Teacher. Lisa brings a wealth of teaching experience with her having taught across the primary age range, in early years and in special school settings. Some of you may already recognise Lisa as she has been doing some supply work for us on and off over the last few months. Welcome to the Comper team Lisa!



Today we interviewed for a new lunchtime supervisor. We are very pleased to announce that we have appointed Rashda Chaudary (mother of Safa and Marwa). Rashda will be joining the team to support the children in Reception during their lunchtimes. Welcome to the Comper team Rashda!

There is a lot of change this term with staff leaving and new staff starting. We are aware that this can be unsettling for parents and children. I would like to reassure you that we are working hard to ensure thorough handovers between outgoing and incoming staff and our new staff will be very well supported by the wealth of knowledge and experience of the rest of the team.

With Paris Fine now leading across daycare and nursery and Katy deputising in daycare, we have decided to take a more integrated approach to the provision across the two settings. The garden between the two settings will soon have a new gate. This will remain open for parts of the week providing the opportunity for the children to flow freely between the nursery and daycare gardens. This will enable the staff to provide a richer and greater variety of opportunity, both challenge and support for all our 2-4 year olds and work more closely as a team. Transitions for our three year olds as they move into Nursery will also be supported by this approach. The team are excited about working in a more integrated way and are already working hard together to make it work. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to come and speak to me.

Best wishes,

Catherine King



Term Dates



Term 2

Monday 1st November - Friday 17th December

Term 3

School Closed

Monday 3rd - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 4th - INSET DAY

School Opens

Wednesday 5th January –Friday 18th February

Term 4

Monday 28th February - Friday 8th April

Term 5

Monday 25th April - Friday 27th May

Term 6

Tuesday 7th June - Thursday 21st July

THANK YOU!

Parents for taking the time to come in to meet your children's teachers and key workers this week. We have really enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate your wonderful children with you and to have you in school! This is always such an important meeting as the knowledge you share with us is instrumental to the success of our work.

Thank you to all the Comper staff for your hard work this week preparing for and running the parents meetings.



Updated Term 2 Events

Event	Date	Timings
Candle Light Carols Event for selected children (You will have been contacted)	02.12.21	5pm
Nursery School Christmas Trip to the story museum	09.12.21	AM PM
Christmas Jumper Day	10.12.21	All day
Parent Choir at Comper - singing to all children.	10.12.21	2.15pm
Bedtime Story Event	13.12.21	4.30-5.30pm
Reception Christmas sing along to parents	14.12.21	2.30pm
Daycare/Nursery Christmas parties	14.12.21	AM & PM
Christmas Lunch	15.12.21	
Reception Panto at Pegasus Theatre	16.12.21	1pm
Nursery Christmas sing-along to parents	16.12.21	11am
Reception Christmas Party	17.12.21	AM

REMINDER



Applying for School

Does your child turn 4 before 31st August 2022? If the answer is YES, you need to apply for a school place before January 15th 2022. Follow the link below:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications/>



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Having fun at Comper

