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Newsletter

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome you back after the Easter Break. The children have all settled in beautifully again and I have witnessed lots of very focused and purposeful play and interactions as I have moved around the school over the last couple of weeks. This is a sure sign that the children are content in their environment and have a strong attachment to the adults working with them. Last week we were very excited to have Sonny the dog back in school again. He visited nursery as part of their learning about pets and spent some time in Mango class listening to children read and having a cuddle with some friends. He spent all day wagging his tail, but he was absolutely shattered when I took him home in the evening!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new families who have joined the school in the last few weeks. We have several new families in Daycare and Nursery. I have met some of your children, but parents please do come and make yourselves known to me on the gate in the morning. I always love to catch up with parents in the morning or after school and am very happy to answer any questions you may have then too.

We've had a wonderfully uplifting start to our Friday this morning with our superstar singing parents performing May songs for us in the sunshine outside. It was a lovely way to end our week and celebrate the spring season. It was also a good reminder to me of all the joyful things in life even during tricky times. The children were a delight to watch as they jigged, clapped and whooped or just watched mesmerised by the music. Thank you so much to Hester for organising this and to Emma, Ollie, Emily Pillinger and Emily Kerr and David for giving up your valuable time to share your talents with us.



After School Club (ASC) & Extended Day

EXCITING NEWS!! We finally interviewed last Friday for the positions in after school club and we are delighted to announce that we have appointed to all three vacant positions. All the candidates performed very strongly at interview and showed enthusiasm and energy. We think we have a really strong team now to get up and running with.

The Lead

- ⇒ Sara Saudella who is running House of Fun holiday club at Comper has been employed as the ASC Lead. This is fantastic news for us all as not only is she a very strong and experienced practitioner, but it provides our children with continuity between school and holiday club.

Assistants

- ⇒ Rashda Chaudry, who is already employed with us (and a parent in nursery).
- ⇒ Almudena Alvarez Masfarre, also already employed in Daycare with us.
- ⇒ Alanta Hissey Powell. Alanta will be new to the team. She has worked in previous care roles and has her own little boy of three.

With this team, we will finally be able to **reopen after school club on Tuesday 7th June** for the final term of the year. We are so pleased to be able to bring you this good news. The after school club will be open Monday to Friday with slightly reduced capacity on a Wednesday and Friday. Please can you email Basia on office@comper.oxon.sch.uk **with ASC in the title by Friday 13th May** with the days you would like to use ASC. It will run from 3.00pm—5.30pm as usual. **We will confirm your place by end of day on Thursday 19th May.**

Breakfast Club

Touhida and Carol will continue to run breakfast club which is open from 7.45am and costs £8.00. There are spaces available and we are happy for you to book on an ad hoc basis at the moment. Please email Basia by 3pm the day before if you would like to book. Touhida will no longer be working in after school club, but I would like to thank her for all the hard work running it this academic year, particularly when we were short staffed. Thank you Touhida.



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We will be welcoming some new members of our school community on a temporary basis on Monday 9th.....we will have several duck eggs arriving! They will be hatching at some point during next week, probably around Wednesday. All the children will be able to have a chance to observe the eggs and maybe if we are lucky, get a chance to see the ducks hatch.....we got lucky last year with timings, fingers crossed!

[House of Fun Holiday Camp](#)

Bookings for House of Fun Holiday Camp at Comper and SSMJ are now open. They take children from 2 - 12years old. Follow the link below. You will need to register to be able to book. Click on the link below:

[Register & Book](#)



Are you green fingered or just enjoy pottering with plants?

We desperately need volunteers to help us maintain the peace garden and the big reception garden. This does not involve a great deal of skill, just a bit of time. If you would be interested, please do get in touch as we need people to help weed, water and help with general up keep. Just 15 minutes at any point would be helpful! Please email the office if you think you might be able to help.

Pakistani Parent Forum

If you are a parent from the Pakistani community please come and join us on Friday 17th June ,1.30pm at SSMJ (Meadow Lane) to discuss :

- What is important to the Pakistani community that could be represented better in the curriculum
- Any significant dates and events that you would like us to celebrate and acknowledge in school
- Any ideas and thoughts on how we could improve our schools for the benefit of your children

Tayaba Yasin (Mother of Idrees in Strawberry Class) is helping to support us with this. Please contact her on 07531168684 if you have any questions or would like to get involved.

Some key dates coming up

Monday 9th May - Phonics Parents Evening 6pm at SSMJ School. All reception parents are welcome.

Monday 16th May - Friday 20th May Parent Consultations. Don't forget to sign up!

Friday 10th June - Whole School Jubilee Tea Party, 3pm in the reception garden. Extended cake stall and bring your own rug and picnic tea.

Friday 17th June - Pakistani Parent Forum 1.30pm@SSMJ school.

Friday 27th June—Term Ends.

Monday 6th June - INSET Day. School Closed.

Wishing you all a lovely relaxing and sunny weekend.

With very best wishes,

Catherine King