

Comet News

March 2022

Dear Families

As we come to the end of another term, we hope that you have a great spring holiday. It's been lovely for the children to enjoy their outdoor play with more sunshine and blue skies. Let's hope that continues in the holidays and there are lots of opportunities for Easter Egg hunts.



Staffing update



Chantelle, who works in Moon Room and in Tea Club will be leaving us at the end of term to become a Deputy Nursery Manager. Chantelle has worked at Comet for 4 years and has been a great team member, I'm sure the children will really miss her. We would all like to wish her lots of luck in her new role.

Curriculum at Comet

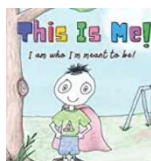
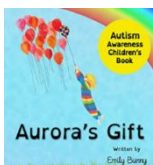
This term has been very busy, the children have been learning a lot about the enjoyment of books and reading. Book week was very exciting with a visit from 'Discover' where all children took part in an interactive storytelling session. Some of the children went for a visit to Shoreditch Library. If you haven't been there for a while I would encourage you to go and join the library, they have really updated it and there are lots of new books to borrow.

Our 'Natural Explorers' went for a visit to the Museum of the Home. We looked at how people lived in their homes in the past. The children enjoyed trying out the old games consoles!

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Next week is World Autism Acceptance Week. Throughout the week, we will be sharing stories around the theme of autism, celebrating uniqueness and differences. For further information around autism and resources to support this, please see [National Autistic Society \(autism.org.uk\)](https://www.autism.org.uk)

Below are some book recommendations.



World Autism Acceptance
Week
28 March - 3 April 2022



Red Nose Day



Thank you so much for all your donation to Comic Relief, I'm sure your £200 will go a long way to help children and families both in this country and beyond.

Polite notice!

If you use a car to come to school please can you make sure they are not parked across the back gates in Orsman Road. We would also ask that you turn your engine off and do not let it idle to avoid polluting the area around the school and where the children are walking. Thank you

Children's Special Books

We would love your comments and photos!

When the children bring home their Special Books we would really encourage you to add a page or two of what the children do at home or special events.

If you need us to print out your photos can you send them to admin@comet.hackney.sch.uk

Comet Website

Our website is being updated, please have a look and let us know your thoughts.

Child Q

I'm sure like all of us you were shocked to see the recent report about the findings of the investigation into the treatment of Child Q. Although our children are young we know that many of you as parents would be very upset by the findings, you might have older children who attend secondary school. At the recent Headteachers conference we had a discussion around anti-racist practices and the impact of this report on children and families. You can find out more information on how Hackney Education are working to take action through this link ['Time for action' in tackling police failures in Child Q case – Mayor \(hackney.gov.uk\)](https://www.hackney.gov.uk/time-for-action-in-tackling-police-failures-in-child-q-case) If you need further information please feel free to contact me.

Nursery Clothes

Do you have any of our spares clothes at home that you need to bring back or do you have any clothes that you can't donate? We are very short on spare clothes especially trousers and socks.

Things to do during the holidays!



Why not go for an Easter Egg hunt on Hackney Downs

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easter-egg-hunt-in-hackney-tickets-292109566577>

Or maybe The Spring Egg Hunt and Woodberry Wetlands

Easter Egg Hunt at Sutton House <https://londoncheapo.com/events/easter-egg-hunt-sutton-house/>

Hackney City farm always have lots on too <https://hackneycityfarm.co.uk/>



Children's Centre News

It's been another busy month in the Children's Centres. Emmerline will be returning to do some Easter craft workshops during the Easter Holidays. We also have our gardener Liam, returning after the Easter Holidays. Liam will be based at both centres for a morning and afternoon session, please see our timetables for more details. We are excited about Easter as we have lots of amazing activities going on, have a look for yourself below!

Comet Children's Centre - Timetable EASTER BREAK 2022 4th - 15th April 20 Hoxcomb Street, N15 5NP 02077499501				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am A 3pm - 5pm Come and explore a range of activities and meet other families from the local community.	Easter Bunny Making 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Explore with Baby - Spring 9.30am - 11.00am Easter themed sensory activities for babies. Pre-walkers only.	Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Creative Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.
Easter Egg Hunt 9.30am - 11.30am The Easter Bunny has been hiding eggs all over our garden. Can you help us find them?	Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Easter Bunny Making 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Creative Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.
Easter Bunny Making 1pm - 3pm Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Star & Play 1pm - 3pm Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Easter Bunny Making 1pm - 3pm Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Star & Play 1pm - 3pm Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Creative Star & Play 1pm - 3pm Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.

Comet@Thomas Fairchild Children's Centre - Timetable EASTER BREAK 2022 5th - 14th April Farnston Street, (Croyley Street entrance), N1 7HA 02076547679		
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Explore with Baby - Spring 9.30am - 11.00am Easter themed sensory activities for babies. Pre-walkers only.	Easter Craft with Emmerline 9.30am - 11.30am Come and make your own Easter Bunny. Pre-walkers only.	Sensory Star & Play 9.30am - 11.30am Fun activities, specifically designed to stimulate, develop and reduce the senses.
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Good news! Comet@Thomas Fairchild will be expanding to 5 days after the holidays. Our new timetable will be released during the holidays so keep an eye out on our social media pages and website. You can follow us on Instagram and Facebook, just type our name into the search bar.

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2022

Monday 28th March – Easter activities week
Friday 1st April – Last day of term
Saturday 2nd April – World Autism Awareness Day

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April – Children return to school
Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday school closed
2nd/3rd May – Eid ul Fitr
Thursday 5th May – School closed for Polling Day
Saturday 7th May – Open day for new families
Monday 23rd May – Creativity Week
Friday 27th May – School closed INSET Day
30th May – 3rd June – Half term
Tuesday 7th June – Children return to school
Canal trip for Sun and Star Rooms (TBC)
Monday 13th June – Sports Week
Sunday 19th June – Father's Day
Friday 8th July – Leavers reports to parents
Wednesday 13th July – Comet's got Talent show
Wednesday 20th July – summer end of term party & last day of term
PLEASE NOTE there will be no breakfast, tea club or full time hours on the 20th July
We will update you with new events as we plan them.