

Friday 11th December 2020

Message from the head:

Thank you to all of you who made time this week to talk to my teachers about your child's learning. We know how important it is that we work together to support the children. I hate having to moan in the newsletter—especially at Christmas! This week I was disappointed to find that when teachers were making their parent conference phone calls that a number of them found that parents were not expecting the calls and/or had not read the target documents they had prepared and we had sent out beforehand. The details of these calls and that you would be getting the targets documents have been in the newsletter for the last few weeks. It was made clear, that if the times your teacher had allocated to call were inconvenient (for example during your work time) that if you contacted us ahead of time they would endeavour to try and find a mutually convenient time. A lot of time and effort goes into this newsletter every week. While I know many of you read it carefully and enjoy seeing what the children are up to, it would appear there are a number of you who are either not reading it at all—or not reading it carefully. As well as the children's work this newsletter contains important information, such as that about parent conferences, finishing times, etc. every week. On top of this, if, as many of you reported, you did not receive the target document before the meeting, then it means 1 thing—you have not given us your current mobile number. This is a real problem as it is how we communicate with you in times of emergency as well as with day to day communications. The target report was sent out via parent hub—which I have been clear about is key to you helping us stay in touch while also reducing the exorbitant costs incurred by school by sending texts. However, many of you still haven't downloaded ParentHub despite repeated pleas to do so. Even still, if you do not have ParentHub you would still have been sent a link, at a financial cost to the school, that would have taken you to the target document. If you did not receive the document by either of these means then the number we have on file for the primary contact in the family is not correct. You must inform us immediately if you change mobile number. Please, if you have not done so already, download and install Parent Hub—you will be helping us communicate more efficiently and save the school a significant amount of money that we can be putting to far better use to support our curriculum and the children's learning. Details on how to do this are at the end of the newsletter and you can call Lisa in the office to support you. Sorry, at this time of year, when there is so much going on in school to celebrate with you, to have to be starting with a moan but it is incredibly frustrating when we are all having to deal with a disconnect between parents and teachers and the newsletter and Parent Hub takes on even more importance when we find that large numbers of parents are not engaging with it which then just adds further to an already extensive workload for staff. I'm sure those of you reading this to the end were ready for this week's calls. I'd ask for your help in passing on to other parents the importance of reading the messages conveyed in the newsletter each week. Thank you.

On a brighter note, today was our Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day—thank you for helping support this and help make things feel that bit more 'Christmassy' - the children looked amazing in their jumpers and the lunches were a huge success and a lot of fun. We have a number of activities planned for next week including an online Christmas Pantomime for the children to watch. Don't forget we are open right

Staggered Finish times on last day of term

Traditionally on the last day of term school finishes early, just after lunchtime, at 2pm. However, as we currently have different lunchtimes for each class and staggering finish times to avoid classes mixing it will be slightly different this year. Please see the finish times for the last day of term, Friday 18th December in the table to the right. Please note the pick up points will be the same as they have been all term. If you have siblings we will still have the hall in use until 2.15pm so that children finishing earlier can wait for their siblings.

Class	Finish Time on 18th December
Nursery	1.30pm
Reception	1.45pm
Year 1	1.30pm
Year 2	2pm
Year 3	2.15pm
Year 4	1.30pm
Year 5	2pm
Year 6	1.45pm

up to Friday next week, despite the late announcement by the government about being able to close Friday for INSET we are not changing our plans and will be open, although, as usual on the last day of term we close slightly earlier—times for each class are shown below. Have a great weekend and see you all on Monday.

Punctuality Award

This week, our Punctuality award goes to Reception and Year 3 with 0 lates. Well done to Year 1, 2 and 5 as well who had less than 5. This week was our lowest overall in a long time with only 30 across the whole school. I know they can make it even lower in the last week of term next week. Thank you for your continued support in improving punctuality under trying circumstances this term.



Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 2 with 99.17% - amazing! This year's whole school target is 96% - we're currently at 97.08%. Thanks for all your efforts.



We're raising £2,000 to Fleet Primary School (NW3)

Marc, dad to Maureen and Maxence and treasurer of our wonderful Parents' Association is taking on a mammoth running challenge and trying to raise some money for the school at the same time. Take a moment to visit his just giving page and show your support. Thanks Marc and good luck!

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/marc-fleetprimaryschool?utm_id=1&utm_term=JDDJeaYp3



Star of the Week Awards this week's winners...

Well done to our 'Stars of the Week' for this week. We are very proud of their hard work and effort.



Christmas Lunches!



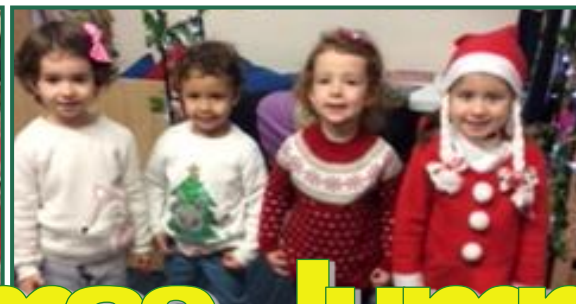
VERY IMPORTANT

PLEASE REMEMBER...

**IF ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD
HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS YOUR
CHILDREN MUST NOT COME TO
SCHOOL**

**The person with symptoms needs
to get tested straight away—the
children cannot return unless the
test is negative—WE WILL SEND
YOU WORK TO DO AT HOME.**

**THEY MUST NOT COME
IN WHILE YOU WAIT
FOR THE TEST RESULT!**



Christmas Jumper Day!





Christmas trees to help the PTA fund! Support

FLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL

This year treat the family to a beautiful, real Christmas tree delivered straight to your door.

Buy a Christmas tree through www.christmastreeexpress.co.uk this year and receive £5 off any tree and a further £5 will be donated to the school PTA! Please use the unique code below.

Choose from 4Ft, 6Ft and 8Ft, enter your school code and receive £5 off at checkout. Christmas Tree Express will then give a further £5 to the school. Delivery day can be chosen at checkout and is included.

Pre-order your tree today with the code:

FLEET

and we will give you

£5.00

OFF your order*

Order. Decorate. Enjoy.

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*Code is valid until 6th December or until we sell out, so please order ASAP!

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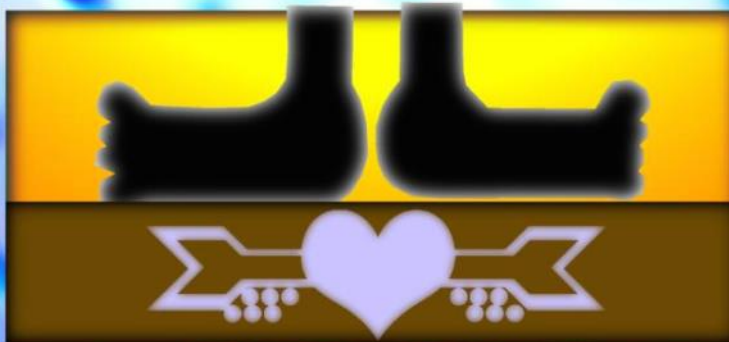
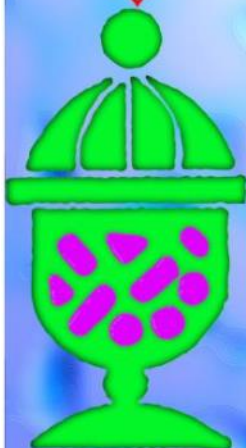
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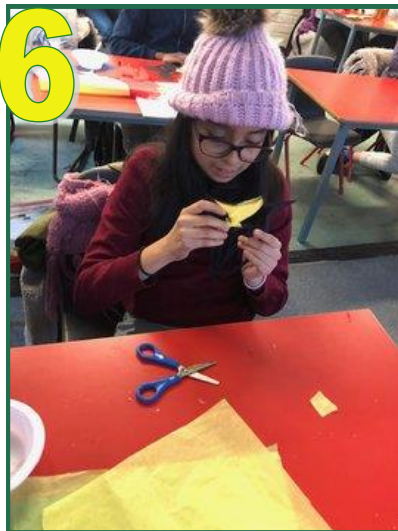
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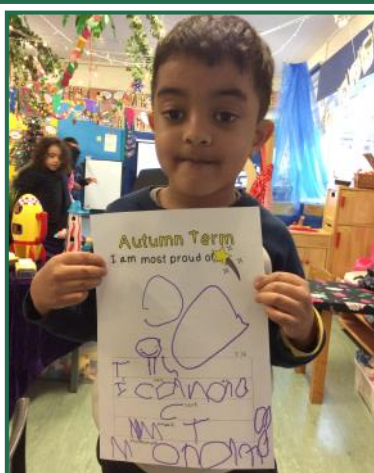


POST LETTER TO SANTA & TAKE AN EXCLUSIVE BEHIND-THE-SCENES PEEK INTO HIS WORKSHOP
PLEASE TAKE NOTE THIS IS A **CASH ONLY EVENT** INCLUDING ENTRANCE AND THROUGHOUT
HOT CHOCOLATE AND HANDMADE CHRISTMAS GIFTS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE YARD
DOORS: 11.00AM - 3.00PM ENTRANCE FREE: SUGGESTED DONATION £3.00
1 CRESSFIELD CLOSE, NW5 4BN : 020 7916 5421 : BOOKING ONLY: WWW.KTCITYFARM.ORG.UK

Year 6



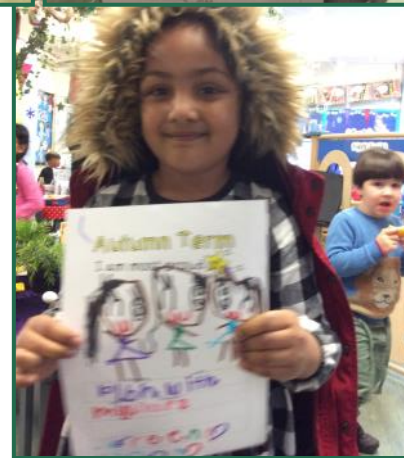
Year 6 read the Christmas story today and then took ideas from that and their previous workshop with Reverend Esther, to create their own silhouettes with 'stained glass' windows. They are looking great!



As the term comes to an end, Reception had a think about what they are proud of.

Mohamed is proud he can do cartwheels.
Afreen is proud of sharing with her friends.
Annie is proud of playing nicely with her friends.
Max is proud of making new friends and sharing.
Jasmine is proud of being a good friend to Jannah and Suha.

Reception





Get in the spirit of Christmas giving and lend your support

This Christmas will be a very difficult time of year for many families in our borough, who may be struggling financially. During these unprecedented times looking after each other and doing all we can for our communities has never been more important. The Mayor of Camden, therefore invites you to get in the spirit of Christmas with donations for local families of new toys, toiletries, gift vouchers or clothes.

This year because of the current coronavirus pandemic we are unable to accept donations at our offices or libraries. We can however accept online donations and would appreciate your support. When you purchase goods online please ensure that any toys

have a CE Mark. Any donations received will be distributed by Camden Family Services, social workers and early help teams, who continue to support families in what has been a very difficult year for many people.

Please purchase gifts online and have them delivered direct to:

The Mayor's Office, 2nd Floor Crowndale Centre, 218 Eversholt St, NW1 1BD.

Please make sure all toys have the CE mark.

Closing date for donations:

Friday 18 December 2020



Parent Questionnaire

To the right you will see a link to the annual parent questionnaire for your children's class. It has the usual questions, based on the OFSTED framework which also allows us to compare to previous years' responses. This year we have also included a couple of new sections related to the Covid-19 situation and response, as well as mental health and wellbeing specific sections to help us plan our support for the remainder of the year. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the surveys. There is a different link for each class—if you have children in more than one year group we would really appreciate if you could fill one out for each—this might seem strange but your experience of school with different children may not be the same and we'd like to know that. The survey shouldn't take more than 5-10 minutes to complete. We are trying to avoid sending paper home (for both Covid-19 and cost reasons) but if you are unable to access online and would like a paper copy please contact the school office who will help you. We appreciate your time.

Nursery—<https://forms.gle/XJrBtQC3idg8XTq98>

Reception—<https://forms.gle/4Doky6Tz4oBvVk3A7>

Year 1—<https://forms.gle/g1kyMdau5mnYYyBW9>

Year 2—<https://forms.gle/NSAiDYyzF1qv5Qjc7>

Year 3—<https://forms.gle/7PbKSjweoAcbzR868>

Year 4—<https://forms.gle/5b9AGVtLxq5Gpy8H9>

Year 5—<https://forms.gle/uWSNNrbVc1Vne3us8>

Year 6—<https://forms.gle/KK3UzRCCJBMKsjZt5>

Gospel Oak Church - Foodbank Collection

You may have noticed in the newsletter over the last few weeks or heard your children talking about the wonderful Zoom RE workshops Rev Esther from Gospel Oak Methodist Church has provided for us as part of the children's RE curriculum.

She shared with us two important dates that we wanted to flag and advertise on her behalf. The church will be supporting the local community by sharing out food items for any families in need in these difficult times. This will happen on the 12th of December, between 11 am and 3pm. There won't be any vetting, they just want to give to those in our community who are in need. If you need this support I would urge you to contact Rev. Esther using the details below and she will be happy to help.

The church are also collecting food items for the Trussell Trust Foodbank and for our local community, on the same dates. If you are able to help them by donating, it'll be much appreciated.

To contact Reverend Esther...

Rev'd Esther Akam
Minister at LMNW Circuit
Gospel Oak and Kensal Rise Methodist Churches
esther.akam@methodist.org.uk
02072843819

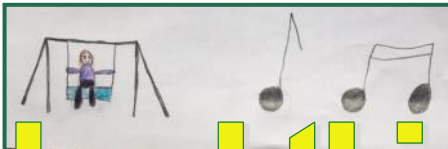


Please find below a wish list from the Trussell Trust Foodbank:

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| -Tinned meat/ fish | -Puddings/ custard |
| -Tinned vegetables | -Tomatoes (tinned) |
| -Tinned fruit | -Instant Mash Potato |
| -Rice | -Jam |
| -Sugar (500g) | -Pasta sauces |
| -Milk UHT or powdered | -Baby items e.g. nappies |
| -Instant coffee | -Toiletries (unopened) |
| -Fruit juice (cartons) | |

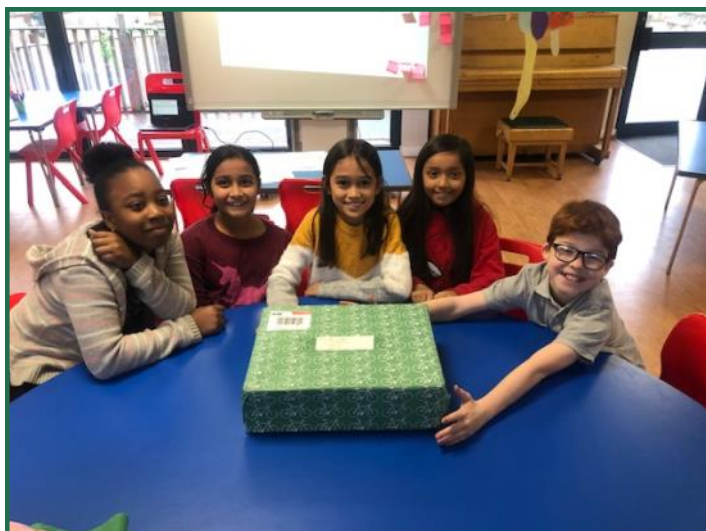
Home Learning with Year 3...

We welcomed back our last isolating bubble this week when Year 3 returned on Thursday—it is so good to have a full school again—fingers crossed it remains that way! While they were off the year 3 children were doing some great home learning—thankyou to all you parents and grandparents working hard at home to support them.

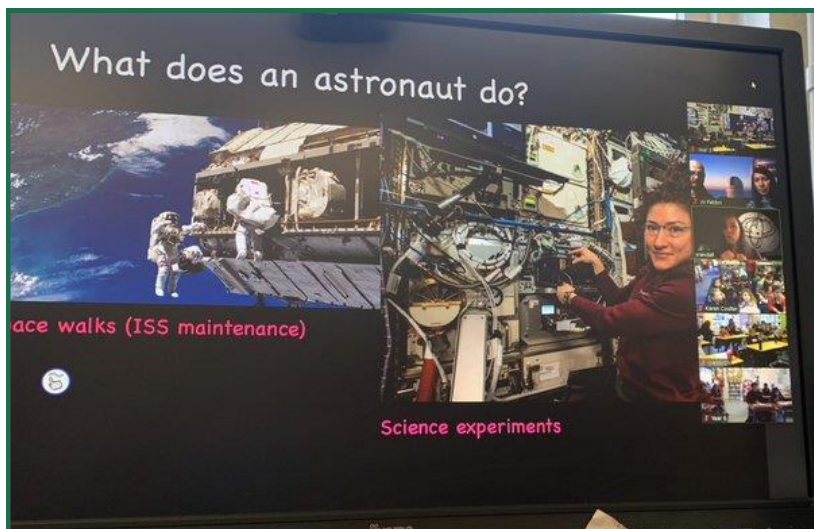


Around school this week...

Our 'Bike-it Crew' received a parcel this week from Dave, our project officer from Sustrans. They now have lots of gifts to reward the children walking, scooting and cycling to school. They will be telling the rest of the school about the 'Golden Lock' prize at the beginning of next term—look out for them on the entrances in January giving out prizes to children travelling to school sustainably!



Fleet had an out-of-this-world start to the day on Tuesday with an amazing talk from astrophysicist and astronaut Suzanna Randall. Her talk was so interesting and inspiring - we all learnt so much! After her presentation the year 5 class stayed on the Zoom call a bit longer than the others to ask some questions, inspired by their topic about space this term and what Suzanna had told them. They had some great questions. We think Suzanna may well have inspired the next generation of space travellers!



Exciting New Local Business from a Fleet Family!

This fantastic poster was designed by Frankie in our Year 1 class. Many of you will know his parents Darren and Abbie. They have started a business supplying fresh fruit and veg to the local community at a time when many find getting to the shops tricky. If you can, support this local family in this fantastic new and worthwhile endeavour.





Nursery have been creating some fabulous snowmen and stained glass Christmas trees this week!

Nursery

Weekly Wellbeing Update

New Tip...

Relationships with parents are valued hugely at Fleet and we're very much missing seeing everybody as regularly as we usually would. Therefore we'd like to look at alternative ways of communicating and helping each other; at this difficult time we'd like to know how best to support you. Links to the Parent Questionnaire which has a wellbeing section can be found on page 5. Please take the time to complete and return it so that we can tailor our support to help as much as possible.

Wellbeing Tip of the Week!

An initiative brought to you by Camden Learning's Health and Wellbeing Team—a new one each week!

Week 6 - Creative expression

Engage in a creative activity to help you feel calm and more relaxed. Colouring, dancing, creative writing, playing an instrument or knitting, are all examples of ways we can be creative and express ourselves. Research has shown that creativity can help to reduce stress and anxiety and increase self-esteem. It also provides an outlet for us process difficult feelings and find some relief. Don't worry if you don't think you're any good at these things, this is an activity just for you!

Parent Workshops—open to everybody

If you attended the recent workshop and want to receive a copy of the presentation that was used we now have it and can email it to you—just let us know by emailing admin@fleet.camden.sch.uk and mark for the attention of Ms Wall.

Moving forward we'd be happy to organise more of these. If there's a particular area you'd like support with, or further information about, please don't hesitate to let us know.

Contact Ms. Wall via the office and she will be happy to get back to you to discuss and see what we can arrange.

Check out these videos for parents developed to help you support your primary aged children:

1. How to Talk to you Child About Covid-19

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zkboxwnb>

2. Encouraging Your Child to Take Care at School

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z8g6jsg>

3. How to Deal with Anxieties

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zj4p2v4>

4. Communicating with School

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z7ksxbk>





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In Y3, they've been making Christmas decorations for their class Christmas tree!



Festive fun in Year 1!

Supporting Children's Wellbeing

A short guide for Parents and Carers

Over the last few months, we have had to adapt and adjust our lifestyles and routines in response to the coronavirus and lockdown.

Now, the return to school has brought about another aspect of change and uncertainty.

These tips have been suggested to help support your family's wellbeing and the return to school.

Managing Different Emotions

Acknowledge anxiety and other feelings by saying things like:

- "I can understand why you feel worried"
- "I noticed you didn't play with your friend, is anything on your mind?"
- "Thank you for sharing that with me, you are being really brave."



Create a safe space to talk by:

- Spending quality time with your child so they have your full attention
- Using eye contact to show you're listening
- Doing an activity with your child to make it easier for them to talk



Encouraging creative coping activities:



Keeping a Healthy Lifestyle for all the family



Reminding children to have healthy habits:

- Regular meals that include fruit and vegetables
- Daily exercise
- At least 8 hours of sleep each night
- Limit screen time, especially in the evenings and encourage more play and reading time

Helping Children Build Resilience

Praise the effort your child has made, rather than the final outcome:

- "I can see you worked really hard on that drawing"
- "You spent a lot of time on building that tower, I'm proud of you!"

Encourage your child to keep trying and learning from their mistakes:

- "You don't know how to do this **YET**, but keep going and you will."
- "Its OK to make mistakes, that's how you learn"



Support for Parents:

- <https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/?Audience=ParentsAndCarers>
- <https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/>
- <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications/make-it-count-guide-for-parents-and-carers>

In school this week

A few weeks ago we entered a competition by to celebrate Black History Month. Year 5 wrote a rap which won! We've just received our prize - all these brilliant books! Thank you CLPE!



Year 5 participated in a RAF glider challenge this week. They had a Zoom workshop where they designed and built their gliders showing fantastic engineering before it was test time! Well done to the winning team—Rosa and Nida! Great engineering and teamwork!



Year 5 have combined both elements of their Planets & Palettes topic to create this space-themed Pop art!



Year 5



Happiness Project

Fleet Happiness Project

GREAT DREAM

Ten keys to happier living

GIVING



DIRECTION



RELATING



RESILIENCE



EXERCISING



EMOTIONS



AWARENESS



ACCEPTANCE



TRYING OUT



MEANING



This year we'll be running the Fleet Happiness Project across the school. This is a project that we ran a few years ago with the aim of looking specifically at ways that we can increase our own, and others', happiness.

We'll be focussing on 10 themes across the year with lots of activities, assemblies and learning in class about each one.

Autumn 1	Direction Meaning
Autumn 2	Acceptance Giving
Spring 1	Awareness Emotions
Spring 2	Resilience
Summer 1	Relating Trying Out
Summer 2	Exercising Happiness (wellbeing week)

The first theme that we'll be thinking about is 'Direction'. In assemblies we've been discussing inspirational people who have worked towards their goals, and the children will be setting their own goals and thinking about steps that they can take to achieve them.

Direction

Have goals to look forward to



Set a goal and take the first step to make it happen



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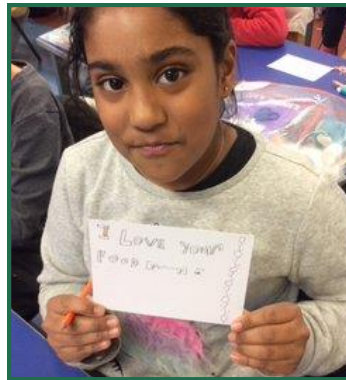
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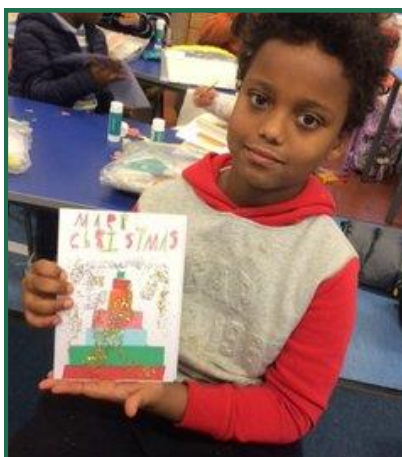
👤 1.8 million users



Our current happiness project theme is giving and Year 4 have been making some secret compliment cards to sneak to the people we're grateful for this week.



Year 4 are having a great day using Scratch to link to our work on A Christmas Carol. Thanks CLC!



Year 4 are taking part in a letter writing project as part of our happiness project work on giving. We're sending these beautiful cards to a local care home!

Year 4

From National Online Safety

At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What parents & carers need to know about ...

PLAYSTATION 5

The PlayStation 5 is the next-generation video game console from Sony. It offers improved graphics, sound and much quicker loading times. It also has a new controller with motion- and force-feedback features for a more immersive experience. Parents should note that there are two different versions available that support discs or digital downloads.

Safely setting up your Playstation 5

PlayStation 5 Blu-ray

PlayStation 5 Blu-ray is the larger of the two consoles, although not by a lot. It enables you to play games on disc or by digital download. Although all new games are available digitally, the disc drive is still useful to watch movies from discs as well as play most existing PlayStation 4 games you own. It also enables you to purchase second-hand games on a disc, which is often much cheaper.

PlayStation 5 Digital

PlayStation 5 Digital is slightly smaller as it doesn't contain a Blu-ray drive. This means the console is cheaper but can only run games you download via an internet connection. Unlike the Xbox Series X and the cheaper Series S, the digital-only PlayStation 5 is just as powerful as its more expensive disc-and-download counterpart.

Family Settings

Both PlayStation 5 models offer important family controls that should be set up before your family starts using the system. Although this can take a little time, it ensures that children have their own accounts and sets limits on spending, interactions and age ratings. If done correctly, children cannot circumvent these controls that require the parent's password to alter.

Setting Limits on Play Time

You can specify how long, and at which times of day, the console can be used to play without needing a password. Talk to your children and agree how long is appropriate, then set this on their profile, so it's something they understand and accept. You can set different time limits on each of the users on the system.

Managing Spending

You can set a limit on spending via Parental Controls. This means that any additional purchase requires your password. Another alternative is not to put credit card details into your account and instead add credit as they need it using the book token-like cards in-store or online. A nice feature on the PlayStation is setting an amount of pocket money to spend on games each month.

Setting Age Ratings

You can set a limit that stops any older-rated games being played without a password being entered. This is not only a good way to ensure children are playing appropriate content but is a good chance to talk about the games they are playing.

Downloading the PlayStation App

The PlayStation 5 uses the same PlayStation app as the PlayStation 4. This is a super-easy way to tweak the user settings for your family without having to log on to the console. It's also a good way to keep track of what different people are enjoying on the system. The app can also be used as an easier way to log-on by scanning the QR code.

Creating Guest Account Password

An important step during the PlayStation 5 set-up is specifying the default settings for guest accounts as well as a passcode for your own account. This ensures that all users need to access the system with their own account and related limits and settings.

Managing Online Interactions

Another important area of the Parental Controls is specifying how and who your child can interact with online. Modern consoles enable players to share text, voice, images and video with each other. You can set whether they can do this, and also apply a password before they can add new friends.

Game Subscriptions

In addition to buying individual games digitally or in-store, you can also subscribe to services that offer access to hundreds of games for a monthly fee. PlayStation Plus is needed to play games online with other people and offers a set of games you can immediately download for the new system. PlayStation Now enables you to stream (and download) a wider set of games.

Types of Accounts

Set up Parent Accounts

Setting up a parents' account is important so you can manage the console for your family. After plugging your console in, connect to the internet and wait for updates to finish. Once updated, create a parent user account with an email address you regularly check and password specified.

Set up Child Accounts

Setting up child accounts are important to be able to limit play time, spending and apply age ratings automatically. Separate accounts for each child user can be set up. It's a good idea to specify a password for the guest account so children cannot access this also.

Meet our expert

Andy Robertson is a freelance family technology expert who often works for the BBC. He runs the Family Gamer TV YouTube channel and contributes to a range of national media on the topic of video games and family.



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Year 2

Mexican Tile Symmetry



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Fleet Primary School

would like you to join their channel on Parent Hub.

Just tap “Add a School ” in the app and enter the handle below...

@FleetPrimary

The Parent Hub app is FREE to download and use.



What is Parent Hub?



Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

Instructions for Parents



1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose “Add a School” and enter the school handle (above).

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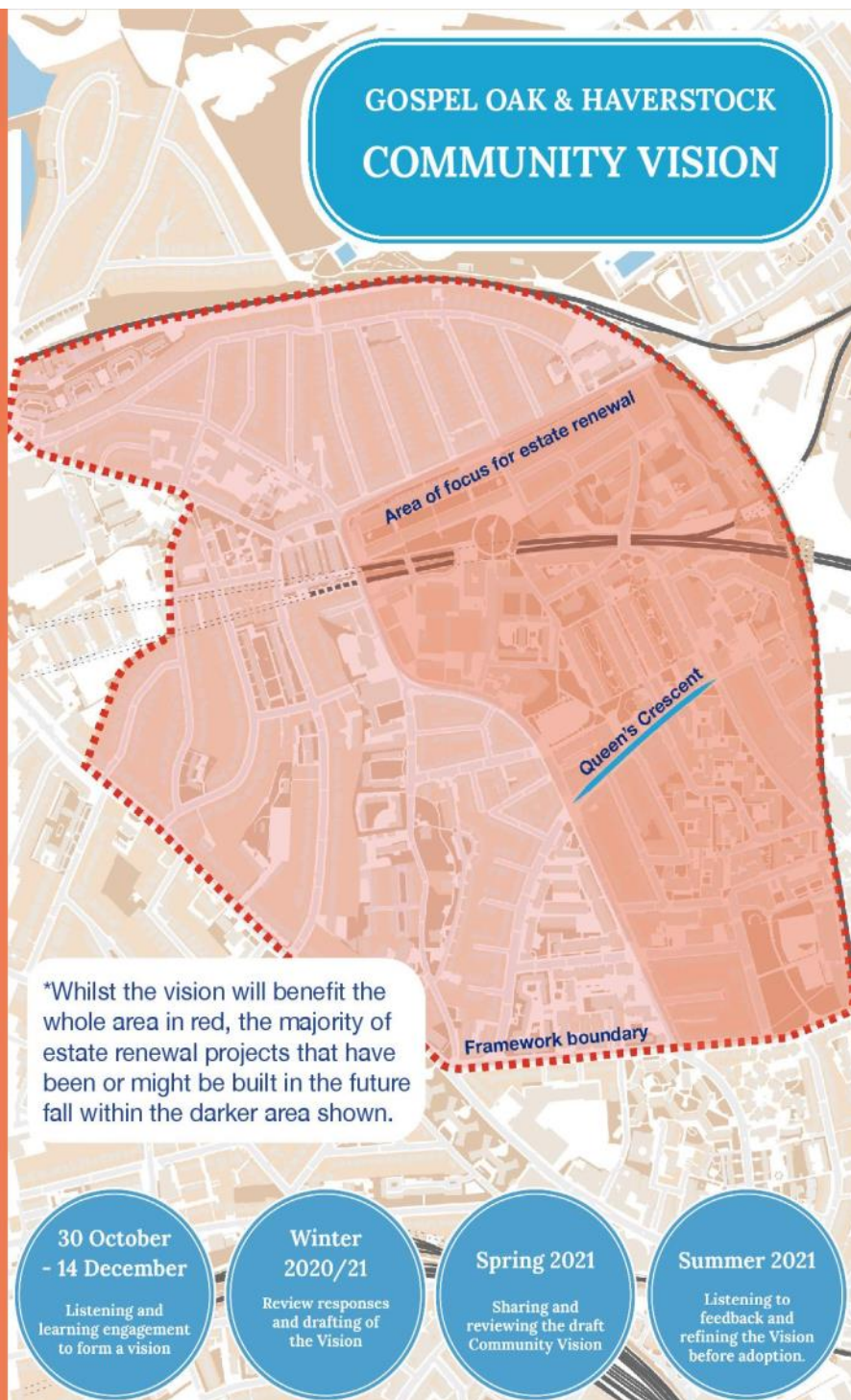


Getting About



Sustainability &
Environment

GOSPEL OAK & HAVERSTOCK COMMUNITY VISION



Gospel Oak and Haverstock Community Vision

Camden Council is developing a Community Vision for Gospel Oak and Haverstock. This will be a planning framework that will help to guide where and how money is invested in the neighbourhood to make it a better place to live, work and visit. We know that local people know their area better than anyone else, which is why we want you to get involved and help shape the future by telling us what your community needs.

What's happening?

The next few years will bring exciting changes to the area including **brand new council homes, safer streets and improvements to Queens Crescent and the market.**

We want to work with local people, businesses and organisations to create a Community Vision, which will set out how you think the area could change for the better.

Have your say

Visit bit.ly/gohvision to fill in a short online questionnaire, or visit GOHvision.camden.gov.uk to find out more.

The engagement is now live and will run until Monday 14 December.

To adhere to Covid-19 rules and protect safety, much of our engagement will be taking place online. If you do not have access to the internet or require translation services please give us a call and we can take you through the questions by phone or arrange for printed versions to be sent to you by post.

Coronavirus: Weekly update from Camden Council

For the latest information and support from Camden Council and its partners, including updates to services:

- Visit camden.gov.uk/coronavirus – includes information in different languages
- Check the rolling newsfeed at camden.gov.uk/coronavirusnews
- Follow Twitter [@CamdenCouncil](https://twitter.com/CamdenCouncil)
- Speak to someone at the Council directly by calling **020 7974 4444 (option 9)**.



SIGN UP to the Council's coronavirus enewsletter at camden.gov.uk/coronavirus-updates

IT'S VITAL TO FOLLOW PUBLIC HEALTH ADVICE

Lockdown might be over, but rates of COVID-19 are still too high. Protect yourself, family and friends from coronavirus by following Tier 2 restrictions and:



Washing your hands regularly



Keeping 2 metres apart from people you don't live with



Wearing a face covering in indoor public spaces, unless exempt

GOT SYMPTOMS? GET A FREE COVID-19 TEST

If you develop coronavirus symptoms, organising a test takes 5-10 minutes at nhs.uk/coronavirus or by calling **119**. There are plenty of test site appointments and at-home test kits available in Camden and you should get results in 48 hours. If you have any worries about booking a test this way, you can book directly with Camden Council. Visit camden.gov.uk/bookatest or call the Council on **020 7974 4444 (option 9)**. The Council recommends this option if you need support with anything, including to self-isolate, as staff can speak to you about this at the same time.

Celebrating Hanukkah safely

Today (10 December) marks the first day of Hanukkah. Cases of coronavirus are still high across London so please celebrate safely to keep yourself and loved ones safe. For example, organise a virtual family dinner or stream a prayer session so you can celebrate with those outside your household or bubble.

Thank you to every member of Camden's Jewish community for the sacrifices you've made this year to celebrate festivals differently — including the High Holy Days. Your actions have undoubtedly helped to save lives.



As we near the end of the year, many of us will be reflecting on the impact of coronavirus on our lives. For many it has been devastating, which is why it is more important than ever to keep following public health guidelines to help reduce the spread of the virus.

So many have been left struggling with household debt and unemployment – some unable to afford to eat or going hungry to feed their families. The scale of this crisis is huge and I know so many people want to help but aren't sure how.

The Covid Community Campaign is raising funds to ensure no one in London goes hungry this winter. We have seen what can be achieved when communities come together to support one another, so I urge you all to join in at covidcommunitycampaign.co.uk – donate whatever you can afford and find out how you can help locally. If you are struggling, please know that there is support available.

Councillor Georgia Gould, Leader of Camden Council

COVID COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

Fighting hunger this winter
Ending hunger forever



Help support residents facing food poverty as part of the Covid Community Campaign, which is launching with an online fundraiser.

We have all seen the devastating effects of coronavirus on our communities, including an increased demand for food support. With 8.4 million people in this country at risk of going hungry each week, the winter months will cause further worries.

The Covid Community Campaign is a collaboration between London Councils and Dame Louise Casey, with support from the Mayor of London and FareShare, The Trussell

Trust, Magic Breakfast and Social Bite. The fundraiser will support these organisations who are working to fight food poverty both now and long term. You can also get involved by donating food or volunteering locally. All support is gratefully received – if you are able to, please give what you can to help others. Even a little can make a big difference.

Donate and find out more about how to get involved at covidcommunitycampaign.co.uk

To find food support near you, or support local organisations directly, visit findfood.camden.gov.uk

Let's keep each other safe while shopping

Camden's shops and town centres are working hard to keep you safe by making their premises COVID-secure. With cases of coronavirus rising across London, it's so important that we do everything we can to follow public health advice and be extra safe to help save lives and livelihoods.



Please follow safety measures in-store and on the way to and from shops. This includes staying 2 metres from anyone you don't live with, wearing a face covering in indoor public spaces, unless exempt, and regularly washing your hands and using hand sanitiser. You can also help by shopping local and avoiding public transport where possible. Please make sure you also follow the rules when you visit pubs and restaurants. Together we can keep each other safe, and protect jobs that could be lost if London moves from Tier 2 to new restrictions. Find out more at camden.gov.uk/coronavirus

Grant funding available to support businesses

If you run a business, are self-employed or work as a freelancer and have been severely impacted by lockdown or tier restrictions, there is additional Government funding that you may be eligible to apply for. Funding applications are currently open for four different schemes:

1. Local Restrictions Support Grant (Closed) – for businesses required to close during lockdown
2. Local Restrictions Support Grant (Sector) – for sectors required by the Government to close
3. Local Restrictions Support Grant (Open) – for businesses remaining open but impacted by tier restrictions
4. Additional Restrictions Grant – for businesses, particularly those in the supply chain or certain freelance groups, severely impacted by restrictions but not covered by other schemes. Applications close on Wednesday 16 December.

Find out more and apply at camden.gov.uk/grant-support

camden.gov.uk/coronavirus 020 7974 4444 (option 9)

