New items this week...

Reminders on this page about the Fun Run sponsorship and the Summer Fair (this Saturday!). Link to the right about the clubs and camps on offer from Camden this summer. Page 7 has a list of food retailers offering free (or £1) child meals over the summer. Pages 13-18 includes a number of holidays arts/sports clubs running. Page 19 is a call out for a volunteer event linked to Middlesex Cricket Club. Page 24 has the latest parent info sheet from National Online Safety with tips for keeping children safe online this summer. The rest of the newsletter has other useful info from local organisations and always worth checking you haven't missed anything.

Fun Run Sponsorship...

Most classes have completed their fun runs (the last couple will do their next week). Please support your child to collect sponsorship for the laps they completed. The money will be split between improving the quiet area of the junior playground and Great Ormond Street Hospital. Thank you for your support.

Support your PTA & school! Summer Fair: This Saturday 12-3pm Please Come Along!

The Summer Fair is on this weekend. We hope all of you will be able to come along. The PTA have been very busy organising and planning. Please do offer you help if you can—see page 4 for how to sign up to a stall. You can also make donations using link on Page 3 so even if you can't make it in person you can help and support. We know the children will have a fantastic time with stalls designed and run by KS2 classes, a magician, bouncy castle, BBQ and more!

Parent Workshop Opportunity

Camden Mental Health Support Team (MHST) are excited to be offering a 2-part, face-to-face workshop for parents and carers of primary age children (4-11 years) on:

Monday 10th July 12:15 to 14:15 at the Tavistock Centre & Monday 17th July 12:15 to 14:15 at the Tavistock Centre

The workshop will explore Emotion Coaching, a parenting approach that supports identifying and validating emotions, while also setting boundaries and limits around behaviour.

How will Emotion Coaching help you and your child?

- To better understand & validate children's emotions
- To respond more helpfully during moments of heightened emotion
- To implement appropriate boundary setting
- To reduce behaviours that you find challenging
- To further improve the parent/child relationship
- To learn from other parents and carers

This is an interactive workshop, which will involve sharing research, learning about Emotion Coaching and practising strategies. We often find that group workshops are a great space to learn from each oth-



er so there will be lots of opportunities to talk about ideas and to think through any challenges that might be around. Please use the QR code below to sign up; this workshop is in two parts so you will need to be able to attend on both dates.

Looking forward to seeing you! Best wishes, Camden MHST

Camden Holiday Activities and Food Programme this summer...

The Camden Holiday Activities and Food Programme is a Department for Education (DfE) funded programme of Holiday Activities for children and young people aged 5-16 years. The programme offers the children and young people eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) free access to activities and healthy hot meal on the day. Camden Council has received funding from the DfE to deliver a HAF programmes in the borough - working in partnership with the Young Camden Foundation (YCF). The are a number of there programmes running across Camden this summer. Visit the website to book on.

https://haf.youngcamdenfoundation.org.uk/? mc_cid=223abcd874&mc_eid=685e2cc906

London Zoo Reduced Price Tickets

If you want to visit the zoo as a family the cost can be very high. As a school we visit there a lot to support our curriculum. They do have a reduced price scheme for families on certain benefits. Check out this website to see if you are eligible for the reduced price tickets and to book (these tickets are not available to buy at the gate).

https://www.londonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/community-access-scheme

Better Leisure Concession Membership

Exercise is so important for both physical and mental health— whether that's going for a swim, working out in the gym or going to an exercise class. However, it can be expensive to join a leisure centre and pay for classes/sessions. Better Leisure (who operate Kentish Town Swimming Pool and Talacre) offer concessionary memberships for both adults and juniors which for a small annual cost (adult = £5.90; child = £3.05) get you discounted rates on any booking. You

Better adult concession:

Membership rate per session:
Swimming: £2.50

Gym: £4.20

Better junior concession

Membership rate per session:
Swimming: £1.65

Class:£4.00 Gym: £3.60

Appropriate Clothing/Footwear

The weather has been very hot lately and many children are coming in unprepared. All children should bring a water bottle and sun hat to school and have sun cream on prior to arriving.

In terms of footwear, please ensure that the children are not wearing flip flop/crocs/single strapped sandals that can easily come off or restrict climbing/running. As the children are very active at playtimes and during PE lessons etc. wearing these type of shoes can and has lead to accidents. In this hot weather we have very little natural shade in the school so sun hats are especially important. Thank you.

Photo Consent Online Form

We have recently sent out an online photo consent form for you to complete (for each of your children), so that we can ensure that your photo consent preferences are up to date. It is important that you complete the form if you haven't already. Many thanks.

https://forms.gle/adi8ySGPFvj2HoWb8





https://go.rallyup.com/fleetsummerfair2023/Campaign/Details



https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/0/d/1-Rd4eBodvaQ5D7u4SjfknSK-J_tlHOd6Cgrn7l3rvNs/htmlview?pli=1

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WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS		
15th July	Summer Fair	
19th July	Citizens Advice Bureau Camden—bookable sessions—see Lisa in the office for availability	
21st July	Last Day of School—finish @ 2pm	
4th/5th September	INSET Days—School Closed	
6th September	Autumn Term Starts 2023-24—children back	

RECEPTION	
13th July— changed	Class Tea
14th July— changed	Class Assembly @10am

YEAR 1		
13th July	Central London Mosque	
18th July	Hampstead Heath	



YEAR 2		
13th July	Central London Mosque	
14th July	To the Beach	

YEAR 3

YEAR 4	
13th July	Central London Mosque

YEAR 5



YEAR 6	
20th July	Leavers Assembly @ 2pm
20th July	BBQ & Gower Exhibition

Provisional Term Dates for next Academic Year - may be subject to change...

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 6th September 2023
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 23 rd Oct – Friday 27 th Oct 2023
Last day of term	Thursday 21st December 2023 – close at 2pm

SPRING TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 9th January 2024
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 12th Feb – Friday 16th Feb 2024
Last day of term	Thursday 28th March 2024 – close at 2pm

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First day of term	Tuesday 16 th April 2024
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024 - school closed
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024
Last day of term	Wednesday 24th July 2024 – close at 2pm

STAFF INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1# half term	Monday 4 th and Tuesday 5 th September 2023	Monday 8th January 2024	Monday 15 th April 2024
2 nd half term			Monday 3 rd June 2024

Please note Nursery and Reception start dates in the Autumn Term differ due to home visits and phased transition. You will receive your child's start date as part of the welcome pack and will be discussed at the meeting prior to the Autumn Term start.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) **DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023**



COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

TRAVELODGE

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

YO! SUSHI

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

TO BE CONFIRMED...

M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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Citizens Advice Bureau Camden

We are working with Citizens Advice Camden to try and bring an outreach service here to Fleet were you will be able to book an appointment with an advisor and meet with them here in school. We have the first session arranged for the 21st June, with two further sessions before the summer break planned. This is a bookable time slot so please speak to Lisa in the office who can arrange this for you. If this is successful and a service needed by the Fleet Community then we hope to have regular dates where the advisor will be based here at Fleet to support our families. Due to the source of the funding, for this project this in person service will be restricted to those families living in certain parts of the borough. For any outside the target area of this CAB project we can signpost you to the same support but off-site. See the flyers below and contact Lisa in the office to learn more and enquire about booking a slot.





Citizens Advice Camden **Advice North Camden Project**

How we can help:

We offer advice on:

- Benefits
- Housing
- Problems at work
- Relationships and family
- Consumer issues
- Budgeting and money issues

and more

The Advice North Camden Project advises people who live in the Hampstead and Wells Campden Trust area of benefit.

This covers the wards of Kilburn, Swiss Cottage, West Hampstead, Fortune Green, Frognal and Fitzjohns, Belsize Park, Hampstead Town and parts of Gospel Oak and Primrose Hill.

For a full list of street names, please visit their website: www.hwct.org.uk/about-us/areas

If you live in one of these areas, please get in touch for more advice.

This is the project that is going to be available as a face to face meeting here at Fleet—speak to Lisa in the office to book for the July sessions (6th and 19th). If you're need is urgent you make contact with them directly using the details shown.



How to get in touch:

Phone: 07769 225580

Email: AdviceNorthCamden@camdencabservice.org.uk

THE HAMPSTEAD WELLS Citizens Advice Camden AND CAMPDEN TRUST

Debt Advice North Camden Project

How we can help

We can advise on any debt problem, large or small:

Rent or mortgage arrears, council tax, Fuel debt, water debt,

Court claims.

Loans, credit cards and overdrafts

We can check your whole financial circumstances and advise you on your options We can help you save money on your bills. We can show you which bills are important. We can check whether debts need to be paid. We can help you deal with creditors.

We can help you set up a payment plan you can

How to get help

To find out more information or to make a referral please call or email.

Phone: 07464295849

Email: debtnc@camdencabservice.org.uk

The Debt Advice North Camden Project advises people who live in the Hampstead and Wells Campden Trust area of benefit https://www.hwct.org.uk/about-us/areas/

This covers the wards of Kilburn, Swiss Cottage, West Hampstead, Fortune Green, Frognal and Fitzjohns, Belsize Park, Hampstead Town and parts of Gospel Oak and Primrose Hill.

If you have issues relating just to debt and the only advice you need is in this area this project is more suitable and you should make contact with the details here.



Meet your local councillors



Jenny Mulholland

020 7974 2792
Jenny.Mulholland@camden.gov.uk
Labour and Co-op



Marcus Boyland

020 7974 2792 07815 032 923 Marcus.Boyland@camden.gov.uk Labour



Larraine Revah

07798 846 584 020 7974 6775 Larraine.Revah@camden.gov.uk Labour

Surgery times

Our advice surgeries are held at the following venues. These are drop-in sessions to there is no need to make an appointment.

Cllr Jenny Mulholland

1st and 5th Thursday of the month

Queen's Crescent Job Hub, 179 Queen's Crescent, NW5 4DS. 1pm to 2pm

For surgery appointments at other times please email

jenny.mulholland@camden.gov.uk or call 020 7974 2792 to arrange a ame.

Cllr Marcus Boyland

1st Thursday of the month

Fleet School Fleet Road Hampstead NW3 2QT 9am to 10am

3rd and 5th Thursday of the month

Queen's Crescent Job Hub 179 Queen's Crescent, NW5 4DS 1pm to 2pm

4th Thursday of the Month

Rhyl School, 196 Grafton Road London, NW5 4AX 9 am to 10 am

Cllr Larraine Revah

2nd Thursday of the month

The Gospel Oak Regeneration Hub Site Portacabins of (former Bacton Low Rise) Wellesley Road, Junction with Vicars Road – next to St Martins Church, NW5 4PA, 11am to 12pm

3rd Tuesday of the month

Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place NW5 1LB. 1 pm to 3 pm

This surgery is specifically designed for carers and individuals with disabilities and is by appointment only. Please call 020 7974 2792 to schedule an appointment

3rd Friday of the month

Russell Nursery TRA Hall, The Aspern Centre 1 Christie Court, 3 Aspern Grove NW3 2AB. 4pm to 5pm

4th Thursday of the month

The Gospel Oak Regeneration Hub Site Portacabins of (former Bacton Low Rise) Wellesley Road, Junction with Vicars Road – next to St Martins Church, NW5 4PA. 11am to noon

Please note there are no surgeries in August. If you wish to have a phone, teams or zoom appointment with the Councillor please email the Councillor or call Members Support to have this arranged.

In writing

c/o Member Support, Town Hall, Judd Street, London, WC1H 9JE or for more information go to camden.gov.uk/democracy

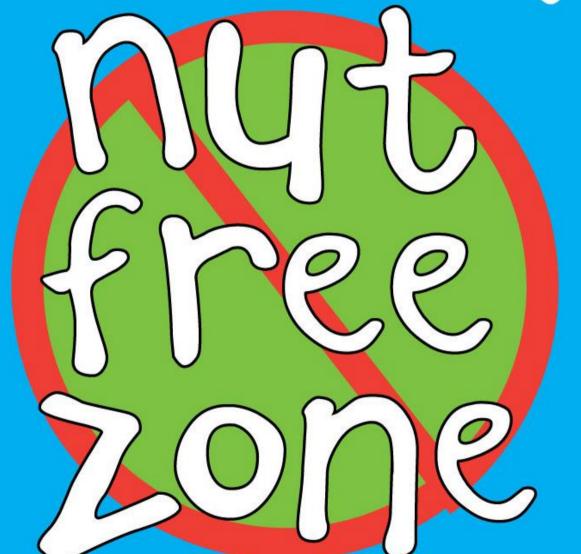
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Fleet Primary School

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).

Visit www.parenthub.co.uk to find out more

Fleet Primary School Calencar Competition Calencar Competition This years theme. A Wondarful World. This week in assembly we introduced to the children this years theme.

This week in assembly we introduced to the children this years theme for our annual Fleet Calendar Art Competition. The school's Rights Respecting Ambassadors helped to come up with the ideas.

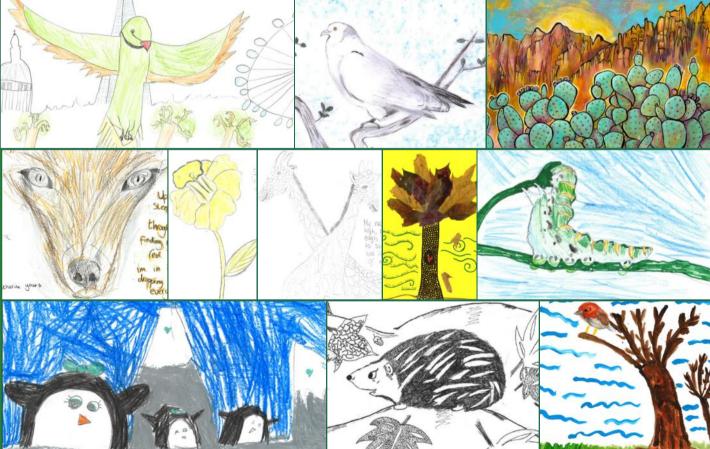
The theme this year is 'A Wonderful World' and is all about the natural world and protecting it. Art can be inspired by nature, animals, plants, insects, birds, ocean life, habitats, protecting the environment or environmentalists—see some of the examples at the bottom of this page.

Children can use any art medium in their entries as long as it is A4 in size and they can enter as many times in a term as they want. It is important that they put their name and class on the reverse side of the picture

in pencil (don't write in pen and not on the front). They should also include a 'fun fact' about their subject written on the back too which will be included in the final calendar if their image is selected.

Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2024. Entries should be handed in to the school office. We have some very talented artists at Fleet and we can't wait to see the fantastic pieces the children come up with. Good luck!







SUMMER ART CLUB

To book: contact Heini King 07768 148649 heini.king@yahoo.com

£150/week, incl. materials, concessions available

For 11 - 17 year olds 24 - 28 JULY 2023 11am - 3pm

Come and learn a new technique each day! We meet at the Koppel Project artist studios (56 Downshire Hill, NW3 1PA) and head out to nearby locations to draw and paint.



ST MICHAEL'S COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL NORTH ROAD, HIGHGATE, N6 4BG



with fine art painter nina

24TH JULY - 18TH AUGUST from 10 am to 3 pm monday to friday

FOR CHILDREN AGED 6 TO 11

WHOLE WEEK OR DAILY BOOKINGS AVAILABLE

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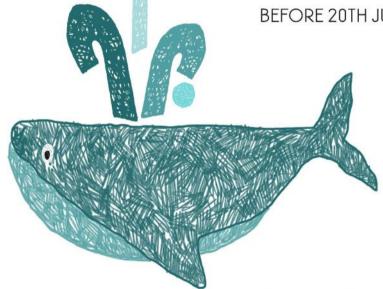




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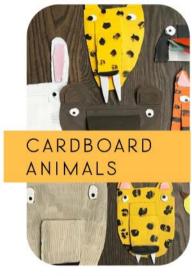
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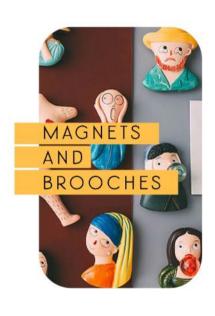
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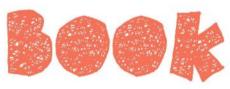


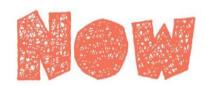


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HOLIDAY SHORT COURSES



KENTISH TOWN SPORTS CENTRE SUMMER HOLIDAYS MONDAY 24TH JULY- FRIDAY 28TH JULY MONDAY 7TH AUG - FRIDAY 11TH AUG MONDAY 21st Aug- Friday 25th aug

Whether your children are beginners or you're wanting to build their confidence, we cater for all levels of ability and will help them progress in the world of water.

FOUNDATION:

For children aged 4 years and over who are non-swimmers and beginners. Teaching pupils the essential swimming skills to ensure they learn to be safe in and around water. Learning the basic techniques for all 4 strokes, achieving 10 metres on Front Crawl and Backstroke by the end of their Green milestones.

FOUNDATION 09:00 - 09:30 09:30 - 10:00 10:00 - 10:30

DEVELOPMENT 10:30 - 11:00

DEVELOPMENT:

Children aged 5-12 years who are able to swim 15m Plus. Teaching pupils advanced swimming skills, developing their techniques on all 4 strokes to create efficient and effective swimmers. Lessons focus on a wide range of skills across all aquatic sports. Pupils will learn basic water survival and rescue skills as part of the milestone awards. Here we will also work with other partner clubs to assess each pupil's ability to progress in talent pathways.

For more information email Kylie.bland@gll.org

Book your child's lesson online betterlessons.org.uk or alternatively speak to a member of our team at the centre who will be able to support you.

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Free Summer Activities For Children Aged 8-16yrs 24th July - 17th August





Email selina@castlehaven.org.uk or scan the QR code to register











Summer Holidays Activities Timetable

Activ8 Zone

(ages 8-13)

Mon - Thurs 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

24th - 27th July 31st July - 3rd Aug 7th - 10th Aug 14th - 17th Aug

Activ8 Zone provides a range of activities for 8-13 year-olds including football, African drumming, arts & crafts, street dance, and basketball.

Rebound Zone

(ages 11-17)

Mon - Thurs 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

24th - 27th July 31st July - 3rd Aug 7th - 10th Aug 14th - 17th Aug

Rebound Zone is a safe space for young people aged 11-17 to hang out, play basketball and football with a qualified youth workers and coaches.

We provide a safe and supportive space where young people can grow by gaining new experiences, new skills and develop confidence in their abilities.

All Castlehaven staff and tutors are professionally trained and vetted, with enhanced DBS checks.

For more information about our half-term programme, please call 07435986620 or email selina@castlehaven.org.uk

Castlehaven Community Association 23 Castlehaven Rd London, NW1 8RU 0207 485 3386



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Dear All

Hope all is well, without the amazing work of volunteers across the country we wouldn't be able to run the programmes we offer, here at Middlesex Cricket we are therefore hosting three Inspire events where we are asking people who have thought about joining the cricket community but not quite got there to come and join us for an evening of food and drink where they can chat to us about the huge amount of opportunities, they can get involved in whether a few hours or more.

It would be great to see as many parents/guardians et al to join us at one of our upcoming events. I have attached details of all 3 venue sites we are running.

The event is free to attend and to register simply scan the QR code on the attached flyer. To order keep track on numbers if you can reply to my email saying registered that would be great.

It would be great to see as many of you as possible.

Thanks again. Alex









LONDON'S FIRST EVER Festival of Children's Theatre

Taking place in a 500 seat air-conditioned theatre in Coram's Fields, we're showing live performances all day every day from 22nd July – 28th August.

There are four fantastic children's shows to see plus an all-day café and the playgrounds, sandpits and paddling pool of Coram's Fields so you can make a day of it.

Perform in the Park is hosted by Perform – the UK's leading provider of drama, dance and singing orkshops for 4–12 year olds

Every week, over 8,000 children attend Perform classes at venues across the UK. Classes focus on developing confidence and social skills in a fun and tively way.

Your child can come and try Perform for FREE by visiting perform.org.uk/try



PERFORM

YOUR VISIT

CORAM'S FIELDS

Coram's Fields has been a haven for play since 1936. Located in the heart of London, the park has an exciting mix of play zones for all ages plus two wide lawns for pincins. The adventure play area has a zip wire, a writch's hat swing and one of the largest slides in town. And, with two sandpits and a paddling pool, you may want to pack swim geat!

Coram's Fields has a policy of not allowing any adults to enter unless they are accompanied by a child under 16 years old.

THE PERFORM THEATRE

The Perform Theatre is a 500 seat fully-equipped air-conditioned auditorium with flat and tiered seating and designed to be a complete theatre experience.

There is a merchandise shop, open air and covered café, buggy park and male and female toilets. Accessible toilets and baby-changing facilities are located just outside the site.

CASTAWAY'S CAFE

Open all day every day, the cafe has seating in open air an covered areas so, no matter what the weather, it's a great place for a snack before or after a performance.

GETTING THERE

Address: Coram's Fields, 93 Guilford Street, London WCIN 1DN

Nearest tubes: Russell Square, Kings Cross St. Pancras, Holborn & Chancery Lane. Nearest buses: 17, 45, 6, 46 at Cray's Inn Road or the 7, 59, 68, 91, 168 6 x 188 at Russell Squar The auditorium opens 30 minutes before the start of each performance.

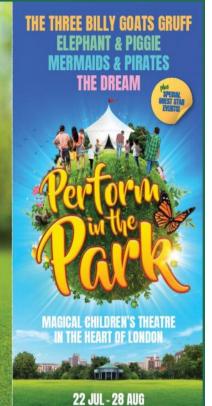
ACCESSIBILITY

There is step-free access to the auditorium as well as stepfree accessible seating areas and spaces for wheelchair users who would prefer to stay in their chair. A step-free accessible toilet is also available.

BOOKING TICKETS

Performances run from 22nd July to 28th Augus 2023 with shows from 10.30am to 7.30pm each day. Ticket prices start at £14.50. To see the full performance schedule and book, visit performinthepark.uk

*All tickets are subject to the Coram's Fields Restoration Levy.



CORAM'S FIELDS, LONDON WC1N

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The TRIP TRAPPING musical adventure

On a grassy hill, in the middle of the countryside, there lived *THE THREE BILLY GOATS GRUFF*! They never stopped eating and before long they had eaten everything they could get their hooves on!

Hold on to your horns and join the three billy goats on their wild and wacky adventure, as they bravely cross the rickety bridge to greener pastures. But who will they meet along the way as they TRIP TRAP over the bridge?

With lots of catchy songs, funky dances to clap along to and a rapping troll to boot, Lost The Plot Theatrical are proud to present this smash-hit children's musical. An interactive, family fun show and the perfect treat this summer for little ones and the big kids that bring them!

BOOK NOW at performinthepark.uk







A fun friendship story perfect for young audiences

Get ready for a musical experience, straight from the pages of Mo Willems' award-winning, bestselling children's books, that will leave audiences dancing the "Flippy Floopy" all day!

An elephant named Gerald and a pig named Piggie are best, best, "bestus" (a word Gerald and Piggie made up that means "very best") friends, but Gerald worries that something could go wrong that would end their friendship.

Piggie is not worried at all. She's even happier and more excited than usual because she and Gerald are invited to a party hosted by the Squirrelles, three singing squirrels who love to have a good time.

And so begins a day when anything is possible.

Filled with beloved characters and lively songs, Elephant & Piggie's "We are in a Play!" is a perfect way to introduce young people to theatre.

BOOK NOW at performinthepark.uk





A swishy-swashbuckling musical tale

When Long Gone Silver and his hapless pirates discover Treasure Island, they're not expecting Marina and her super-cool mermaids. Chaos ensues and, after the Sacred Coconut goes missing, it's down to singing parrot Rita Conchita and her friends to save the day.

Mermaids & Pirates is a one-hour musical packed full of calypso-infused songs, salsa-inspired dancing and laugh-out-loud humour.

BOOK NOW at performinthepark.uk









The Dream is an original musical based on A Midsummer Night's Dream does not include any text from the Shakespeare play. As this is a new production

SENDIASS Information Session

Camden parents and carers are invited to an information session organised by the SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS). Lunch will be provided.

Find out more about...

- What we do
- Our Steering Group and,
- How you can help develop the service



Wednesday 12th July

ENDIASS

12pm to 3pm





To book: click here or go to:

Kentish Town Community Centre 17 Busby Place NW5 2SP

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sendiass-information-session-tickets-656645834367

Struggling with the rising cost of living?

- We're here for you:
 Visit camden.gov.uk/costofliving
 - Nontact one of the organisations in the Camden Advice Network. Visit camden.gov.uk/can
 - Call us on 020 7974 4444 (option 9)
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To find out more and join the co-op contact Martin on 07901 001754

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How to contact us:



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Monday - Friday 10am-4pm



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If you need help with Universal Credit please call us on:

* Help to Claim for advice about making new claims up until your first payment

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Healthy Start pre-paid card and free vitamins

Do you receive income support? Are you pregnant or do you have any children under the age of four? You may be eligible for a Healthy Start prepaid card. The Healthy Start payments can be used to buy milk, fruit, vegetables, and infant formula. If you are eligible, you may receive: £4.25 each week from the 10th week of your pregnancy, £8.50 each week for children from birth to one year old, £4.25 each week for children between one and four years old. Apply online. Pregnant women and children under the age of four are also eligible for free vitamins from children's centres. Find your local children's centre here.

Cost of living crisis advice, support booklet and translated advice

To support residents with the cost of living crisis, Camden have developed an advice and support booklet which can be downloaded here. We have translated posters which signpost to support with the cost of living crisis, help with food, energy bills, mental health and help finding a job into Arabic, Somali, Sylheti, Turkish, Kurdish, Lingala and Swahili. These can be downloaded on Camden website.

Cost of Living Crisis Fund Payment

Camden Council's Cost of Living Crisis Fund is for residents and families facing severe financial hardship and who cannot afford essentials – including food, energy bills, water, electricity and housing.

- The maximum award for a household of any size is £500
- A household can only receive a maximum of two awards in a 12-month period and the amount you are awarded will depend on your circumstances and household size
- We will prioritise those in greatest need

The support can take many forms including payments into bank accounts, vouchers, help with debt repayments or equipment that will help you to reduce your costs and/or keep warm this winter.

How to apply

Camden want to ensure residents are getting all the help and advice they need to live well in Camden.

If you are a tenant and in financial hardship, speak to your neighbourhood housing officer who will be able to refer you to the scheme and help you get other forms of support.

If you live in temporary or supported housing or have a social worker, speak to your support worker as they can also refer you for a payment and help you get other forms of support.

If you live in the private rented sector, other social housing or own your home and are in financial hardship, speak to one of our advice partners. You can also get help via Good Work Camden, by calling Citizens Advice Camden on 0808 278 7835 or by calling us on 020 7974 4444, option 9 (welfare support).

We can also refer you as school – come and speak to us if you think you are eligible and need our help to access this support (see eligibility criteria below):

Eligibility criteria

- You must have lived in Camden for at least six weeks. We will check the council tax database and if you are not registered then we will come back to you for another form of proof such as a bill, bank statement or benefit letter addressed to you at the address you are claiming for. The faster we receive proof of residency the faster the award can be made.
- 2. No more than two payments will be made per household in any 12-month period. When you apply, we will check records to see how many awards a household has received. If there is more than one adult or family in the household, the application must come from the person responsible for council tax.
- 3. You must be over 18 to apply, but we will accept applications from 16 to 18 year olds living independently because we know that not all young people are able to remain at home

You must be able to prove that you are in severe hardship or financial crisis

The cost-of-living advice bus

If you're struggling with the cost-of-living crisis and want some help, come along to our advice bus. Run in collaboration with local advice partners, you'll be able to get advice on a range of issues - including money, debt, help finding a job and accessing all the support you're entitled to. In December, you can find the advice bus dates using this link camden.gov.uk/warmeents. To find out more about advice and support, visit camden.gov.uk/warmeents. To find your nearest 'warm welcome' space, visit camden.gov.uk/warmwelcome

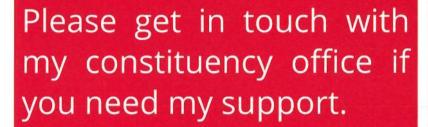
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MP for Holborn and St Pancras

Casework Service

If you live in Holborn and St Pancras and are facing a problem, my team and I may be able to help.



You will need to include your full address and phone number.









keir.starmer.constituency@parliament.uk



020 7388 7862



Keir Starmer MP, House of Commons, London, SW1A OAA

Come and talk to us..

We listen to parents. We can advise you about your child's development, breastfeeding, parenting, housing, employment and benefits advice. There are local free drop-in 'stay and play' sessions and we can help you find an early education and childcare place. In fact everything you need in the early years to bring up your child.

Come along to your local children's centre and get to know other parents.

If you would like to know more - just ask us.

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Children's Centres:

- 1a Children's Centre 1a Rosebery Avenue EC1R 4SR 020 7974 7024
- Regents Park Children's Centre Augustus Street NW1 3TJ 020 7974 8934
- C Harmood Children's Centre 1 Forge Place NW1 8DQ 020 7974 8961
- O Agar Children's Centre ulworth, Wrotham Road NW1 9SU 020 7974 4789
- Kilburn Grange Children's Centre 1 Palmerston Road NW6 2JL 020 7974 5080

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Pregnant or have a child under five? We can help, come



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Mums, Dads and Carers, come with your children to

Happy, healthy and looking forward to the future? That's what you and your child deserve. It's why Camden has developed a complete range of services, designed to offer support during the first months and years of your child's life.

your local children's centre.

We're here for the whole family. From the moment you know you're expecting a baby, our services and support will be available to you and your child, right up until birth and for years into the future.

Advice and play activities to support your child's speech and language

What kind of help?

We want you to feel confident as a parent, to be aware of everything that's available for your child's early development. We can help - come and talk to us.

You may be a first-time dad or mum or you could already have a family. Either way, we want to help you and your child to feel secure, healthy and happy.

Some dads and mums are anxious about caring for their baby and how to look after a growing child. Others need help with practical issues like benefits advice, employment or arranging affordable childcare.

Whatever you need, we want to help you and your child get the best start in life.



One-to-one support if you are feeling low, anxious or stressed by family life

Our support.



Midwifery and health visiting services



Information and support about breastfeeding, baby feeding and healthy eating



Stay and play drop-ins and other activities for you and your child to enjoy together



Family support team - if you need extra help



Early education and childcare and childminders



Local services for children with special educational needs and/or Disabilities, visit localoffer.camden.gov.uk

If you or any friends/family are tidying gardens and pruning trees please save and bring in any branches or logs for our Forest School. Any size! They are very useful for making dens and forest crafts. Thank you so much. If you have any questions, please pop over and speak to Beth Cleine in Year 1 or Rebecca Combes in Nursery.



Message from Camden Music Service:



Half price instrument/singing lessons for children of families claiming housing benefit and council tax support

Universal Music Group has generously given us some money to help families of pupils in KS2 (Years 3 to 6) to pay for music lessons. **Priority will be given to those pupils already on instrument lesson waiting lists.**

Here are the instruments you can choose in this scheme (please note that not all schools can offer all instruments as for tutors to attend a school there needs to be a certain amount of children wanting to do a specific instrument.

Apply here: https://www.camden.gov.uk/apply-for-music-lessons-in-school

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Why learn music?

Learning a musical instrument can -

Support your child's literacy and numeracy

Help with concentration, co-ordination and mood

Lead to a career or be a lifelong, fulfilling activity where they will make friends.

How can you help?

Your child will need to practise regularly to make progress. At first this will mean setting aside 10 - 15 minutes three or four times a week (a regular time is best) but as your child progresses, they will need to practise most days, for longer. Younger children will need you to help them - you don't need to be musical, just be encouraging.

What else will help?

As soon as your child is able to play for more than a few minutes happily, and can play and read about eight notes, they could join one of our groups, make friends, and really develop their musicality

Find out more here www.camden.gov.uk/saturday-music-centres

and here

www.camden.gov.uk/music-service-ensembles

Terms and conditions

All Camden Music staff have enhanced DBS

Payment for lessons must be made in advance. Lessons can only begin once a payment is received You may pay in two instalments. You must have paid the second installment by half term.

We offer ten lessons per school term. Most terms have more than ten weeks. In the event of us not being able to offer ten lessons we will credit your account or make a refund for lessons missed. If the school is closed for reasons relating to COVID-19, lessons will be taught online. If you are unable to access online lessons, it may not be possible to make up the missed lessons and no refund will be

If the tutor is absent we will try to find a suitably qualified temporary replacement. If this is not possible and your child does not receive the number of lessons paid for that term, you will be reimbursed automatically after the end of the term.

In the event of a pupil not attending a lesson for any reason the tutor will make up the lesson, provided written notice has been given to both the tutor and to the Music Service three weeks before the missed lesson. If this is not possible, the cost of the missed lesson will be credited to your account. Lessons missed without three weeks' notice will not be made up and no refunds will be made.

Camden Music and/or the school will monitor the attendance and progress of pupils receiving free or subsidised lessons, and subsidy may be withdrawn if attendance is unsatisfactory.

If you wish to cancel tuition we require at least half a term's notice.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact the Camden Music Service – 020 7974 7239 - camdenmusic@camden.gov.uk



Camden Music is delighted to offer a wide range of one to one and shared music lessons in your school.

Getting started is easy!

Simply go to our website for more information and to register. Why not sign up for an exciting weekend or holiday group as well?

www.camden.gov.uk/camdens-music-service



Camden Music Service

The Crowndale Centre 218 - 220 Eversholt Street London NW1 1BD Tel 020 7974 7239

camdenmusic@camden.gov.uk

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Welcome to the Camden Instrumental Service

The Camden Music Service aims to extend the range of high quality instrumental tuition available to children attending Camden schools.

What instruments can my child learn?

We currently offer tuition on piano. Do let us know if your child is interested in starting a different instrument. If there is enough interest we can look to provide a tutor.

Will my child need an instrument?

Yes, because to progress children need to practise between lessons. Camden Music Service has a stock of instruments available for hire at very reasonable cost. Unfortunately we are not able to hire pianos, keyboards or drum kits.

If you would like to buy an instrument we can help through our Instrumental Purchase Scheme which lets you buy a brand new instrument at a greatly reduced price. To make life even easier, we offer a 12-month interest-free repayment scheme.

When and where will lessons take place?

Most instrumental lessons take place during the school day which means that pupils leave a classroom lesson for a short period.

What types of lessons are there?

We offer shared or individual lessons. Shared lessons can only be offered where there is another child of a suitable age and standard to share with yours. If there isn't, we will arrange a 20-minute individual lesson for you.

Shared lessons

- > Ideal for beginners, especially for younger children
- Children learn from each other and have the opportunity to play together; excellent preparation for playing in ensembles later
- Children who start in a group can change to individual lessons later

Individual lessons

- Ideal for children who benefit from individual attention
- Better for children who are easily distracted
- Any sense of competition is reduced
- Easier to arrange a lesson to suit the needs of the child

What will it cost?

The following fees are based on 10 lessons during a school term

Ten shared lessons (2 children) £84 per term Ten individual 20 min lessons £112 per term Ten individual 30 min lessons £168 per term

How do I pay?

The Music Service will send you an invoice before the start of term. Lessons will only start once you have paid. Payment may be made online or over the phone

Is any financial help available?

Children eligible for Free School Meals may apply for a 50% reduction in fees.

What about if we want to stop?

We will invoice you for the next term's lessons shortly after half term. If you don't want to continue, please let us know. Lessons are booked for a term at a time and it is not usually possible to stop lessons part way through a term.

How do I apply?

- You can apply online
- Visit www.camden.gov.uk/camdens-musicservice and follow the link to instrumental and voice lessons in schools.
- We will put your child on our waiting list if there is not a lesson space available straight
- We will send you an invoice when a lesson is available. Your child's lesson will not start until you pay.

WELCOME TO CAMJAM!

The Camden Music Junior Saturday Centre







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- Music making sessions for children up to Year 5
- Instrumental lessons
- Bands, orchestras and choirs
- Music technology
- Adult choir
- Music groups for babies and very young children



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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

CAMDEN MHST

Camden's Mental Health Support

Team works across Primary schools

providing interventions for children

and young people experiencing anxiety or low mood.

SUPPORT AND INTERVENTIONS

Individual/Parent led therapy

Group therapy and workshops

Whole class interventions

Parent/carer webinars: including topic on sleep, screen time and anxiety therapeutic conversations.









Fleet Primary School, Fleet Road, London. NW3 2QT

FLEET PRIMARY SCHOOLS PRACTITIONER

THOMAS BURNAND
School Hours: Wednesday Afternoon

If you are interested in getting help, please contact:

Rebecca Wall —Deputy Head

Parent and carer counselling service

Are you stressed or worried and need someone to talk to?

Are you a parent or carer with a child in a Camden school or children's centre?

Life is complicated and sometimes feels like an uphill struggle. Talking with a counsellor can help untangle thoughts and feelings.

The parent and carer counselling service is FREE

Counselling sessions are confidential

 Counselling takes place in schools and children's centres

Counselling is arranged by completing an application form or by phoning or emailing the co-ordinator.

We can also support with the referral process from in school. If you would like any support with this please come and speak to Rhian or Don.



PCCS co-ordinator, SEN and psychology services

Children, schools and families, Camden Council, Crowndale Centre 218 Eversholt Street, London NW1 1BD

Telephone: 0207 974 6500 Email: pccs@camden.gov.uk



Free 24/7 urgent mental health support for young people

The last 18 months have been particularly hard for young people's mental health and wellbeing. Young people and their families in need of urgent help with their mental health can get free 24/7 support from trained NHS professionals by telephone.

The NHS has set up free telephone lines across London for young people in distress, open all day, every day, and staffed by trained mental health professionals. They can provide immediate support, or refer people to other sources of help if

Find your local crisis line number here.











Online learning resources and homework

- Mathletics: login.mathletics.com or download app for mobile
- Times Table Rockstars: https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school or download app for mobile
- Numbots (EYFS/KS1): https://play.numbots.com/#/account/ school-login/33442
- Bug Club Reading Resource: https:// www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0

The sign in details for the three resources above are the same (for Bug Club you will also need the school code which is tpgk)

- Seesaw: https://app.seesaw.me/#/login or download app
- Busy things: https://www.busythings.co.uk/lgfl-login/

If you do not have working internet or a device for your children to access these resources on (tablet, laptop or computer) please speak to their class teacher as soon as possible.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

You may be entitled to Free School Meals if you receive one of the following:

- **Income Support**
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including benefits)
- Child Tax Credit with a taxable income of no more than £16,190 and not in receipt of Working Tax Credit
- the Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit support from the National Asylum Support Service (NASS)





If you receive Working Tax Credit you will not be entitled to free school meals unless you have:

stopped work in the last 4 weeks; or reduced your hours to less than 16 hours in the last 4 weeks Free school meal entitlement will mean that you will not have to pay for school lunches and will receive concessionary rates for clubs and trips. It is also important for you to apply, as the school receives extra funding. https://

accountforms.camden.gov.uk/ freeschoolmeals/

Do you have any used printer cartridges lying around at home? Send them into the school office!

Parent group: Families, Food and Feelings

The Enhanced Healthy Living Service (EHLS) runs quarterly 6-week parent groups for Camden and Islington parents/carers of children aged 5-17 who struggle with excess weight. The group focuses on psychoeducation and strategies around boundary setting, healthy modelling, emotional eating and encouraging a healthy relationship with food. Referrals are accepted by professionals and parents can also self-refer via the brandoncentre.healthyliving@nhs.net email address.



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Gender equality: guide for families

What are gender stereotypes?

Fixed and widely held ideas about roles and behaviours that society thinks appropriate for men and women, girls and boys. For example that boys are more active, adventurous and tough and that girls are more caring, emotional and concerned with appearance. These stereotypes are everywhere in children's lives — in clothes, toys, books, media and language.

Children learn what those around them expect of them as a girl or a boy and their brains adapt. What might look like a child's free choice of toys, friends, subjects or jobs is heavily influenced by the messages the child has absorbed from birth about what's suitable for their gender. The good news is that we can change these messages.











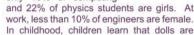


Why are they bad for everyone?

Gender stereotypes can limit children's choices, behaviour, aspirations and even achievement. They are bad for individuals and for society. They steer girls and boys in different directions – feeding different subject choices, different job options and even different health outcomes.

Study and work:

In childhood, construction and science toys are often sold 'for boys'. At A level, only 10% of computing



- 'girls' toys' and that women do more caring work. At work, fathers are twice as likely to be turned down in a request for flexible working. Only 11% of nurses are male.
- When it comes to children's career ideas, the gender divide is as strong at age 4 as at 14.

Health and mental health:

In childhood, boys learn not to show their feelings except through

like a girl

- feelings except through anger. Boys are 6 times less likely than girls to seek Childline counselling about suicidal thoughts and feelings. Men account for 75% of all suicides.
- 1 in 4 women in the UK will be a victim of domestic violence in her lifetime.

FAQs

- But aren't girls and boys just different? Despite popular perceptions, there is no credible scientific evidence of natural difference in interests or skills between genders. Children learn from the stereotypes surrounding them what is considered 'normal' for their gender – and their choices adapt accordingly.
- What's wrong with girls and boys liking different things? Nothing, so long as it is down to an individual child's preference rather than pressure to conform. Girls and boys are more alike than different.
- Are you saying I should stop telling my daughter how pretty she is? No – but if her appearance is what your daughter is most often praised for then she may start to think that society values her looks above her other qualities.
- What about boys? Statistically, boys are more likely than girls to achieve lower grades in school, to go to prison and not to seek help for mental health problems. Harmful gender stereotyping contributes to these outcomes.

Our aim: that children be free to make their own way as individuals, unlimited by gendered expectations



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Gender stereotyping: what can we do about it?

Toys:

- Building blocks, puzzles and construction develop spatial awareness. Dolls and imaginary play help to develop empathy and communication. Introduce a range of toys for all children.
- Thinking about buying presents? For help avoiding gifts which reinforce gender stereotyping see the Let Toys be Toys website at www.lettoytsbetoys.org.uk – especially their Gift Guides and recommended retailers.

Opportunities to challenge gender stereotypes:

- In role-play games with younger children, who plays what roles?
 Talk to children about what they
- Talk to children about what they are seeing on TV – in what roles are male and female characters shown? How are female and male characters dressed?
- Look for positive role models of female leaders, women in sport, men in caring roles.

Language:

- Think about the messages language can suggest – e.g. 'man up' suggests that boys should not show their emotions. Never use 'girl' or 'girlie' as an insult.
- 'We need a strong man to open that' 'I can't do that with these nails' – throwaway comments can have a powerful impact on children.
- Use 'humankind' rather than 'mankind' or 'firefighter' rather than 'fireman' – avoid using the masculine to refer to everyone.

Expectations and aspirations:

Beware assumptions which might influence children's aspirations – e.g. by suggesting certain jobs are more for women or men or by assuming a future role as carer for girls and breadwinner for boys.

Attitudes:

- Teach children that caring roles are rewarding and important – and ensure that boys can see themselves in caring roles.
- All emotions are for everyone! Don't discourage boys from crying or expressing how they feel.
- What praise are children given? e.g. repeated praise of girls as pretty and boys as clever or strong teaches children what society expects of them.

Books:

Children's books still send very gendered messages about male and female roles.

- Look for books with strong female leads and boys in caring roles – for boys and girls.
- Swap 'he' and 'she' where maledominated.
- Use books as an opportunity to question roles and attitudes.

Around the home:

- Who do children see doing what work around the house?
- What chores are children given at home are they different for girls and boys?
- Is different behaviour expected of sons and daughters?
- If newspapers and magazines show women and men in stereotypical roles, question these so that children don't assume that's just the way the world is.

Clothes and shoes:

- Are girls wearing clothes or shoes which are more delicate – which they need to keep clean or which hinder them in climbing or kicking a ball?
- Think about slogans, colours and the messages they send.

Similarities and differences:

- Don't set up girls and boys as 'opposite' or separate – there are more similarities between them than differences.
- Beware treating girls or boys as uniform groups.
 - Friendships between genders are to be encouraged.



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Everyone needs a little help sometimes. If you're feeling worried about your child, or you want to make a change in your life, Camden Early Help is here for you, your children and your whole family.

- ▶ Free support service for families with children aged 0 to 19 in Camden
- Practical and emotional support with a range of life issues if they are starting to feel overwhelming
- Working with you and your family to help make whatever changes you want to make
- Helping you and your family develop friendships and feel connected with your community.

Early Help



As well as family workers, there's lots of other options:

- Early Help Family Group Conference – bring together a circle of family members, friends, neighbours or community members to help solve problems
- ➤ Parenting programmes a range of programmes for parents to be, and parents with children from 0-19 to help you feel confident and positive about your parenting role
- Activities to enjoy time together as a family
- ► Early Help Play support to access holiday play schemes,

- breakfast clubs, after-school clubs, and free early education and childcare places*
- Employment advice and welfare rights – access to our advisors to help with benefits and all things work-related
- Connections to housing support and homelessness services
- Connections to community organisations in your area.



How do I get Early Help?

You can contact us today, or you can talk to someone in your life that you trust. This might be your child's teacher or nursery worker, your GP or health visitor, your housing or tenancy support worker or youth worker.

They can contact us on your behalf, and then you can work with us if you would like to.

If it feels like it's time to make a change, Camden Early Help would love to be by your side so the little things don't become big things.

Other formats

If you require this leaflet in large print, Braille or in another language please contact us.

Find out more

T: 020 7974 3317 (9am to 5pm, ask for Early Help)
E: LBCMASHadmin@camden.gov.uk

For more information about

Early Help visit: camden.gov.uk/earlyhelp

Sure Start 020 7974 8961 camden.gov.uk/surestart

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What's Early Help?

Early Help is about family and being here for when families are experiencing things that are starting to feel overwhelming. Early Help is about whatever is important to you, whatever is causing you to feel distress or worry. Early Help is for families with children of any age, from 0 to 19. It's voluntary and your choice whether to have it or not.

What can you help with?

Every family we work with is unique. We work with families experiencing relationship breakdown or conflict, violence in the home, children showing distressed behaviour, support for first time parents, housing, rent or money worries, difficulties at school, worries about a child's health or development, managing changes in circumstances, grief and bereavement, and mental health problems. Often it's a combination of many things. But whatever it is that you and your family want to change, we are here to work with you - to help you and your family get to where vou want to be.

What does Early Help do?

There are lots of Early Help services in Camden, so we'll work with you to figure out the one you think will be most helpful to you and your family. You can watch a video about Early Help made by a Camden young person here: youtube.com/user/CamdenCouncil

Early Help services include:

Sure Start

A full range of help and support in your local children's centre if you are pregnant or have a child under 5.

Early Help Co-ordinators Someone to have

Someone to have a chat with to see how we can help and what Early Help service might be most useful.

First Stop Early Help

A team of family workers who will work alongside you for up to 12 weeks, and help you and the network of people around you to feel on the right track.

Families in Focus

A team of family workers who will work alongside you for 6 to 12 months.

Transformation Team

A team of family workers who will work alongside you for 12 months plus.

Youth Early Help

A full range of help and support for families with children aged 11 plus and young people.



Every Early Help team will:

- Be with you through the tough stuff
- Listen to you and your family
 we'll be led by you
- Focus on what's important to you and your family, and what a good life might look like for you
- Work with you to find out what's going well and what feels strong
- Work with you to explore and make sense of the things you want to change
- Make a plan with you, your children and your family so the changes can start to happen
- Make sure everyone involved works together to help you and your family best.

