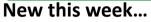
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## Wednesday 15th March 2023



There are a number of new notices this week including the links for the Camden HAF programme (including holiday scheme running here in first week of Easter holidays). These can be found in box to right. Also the visit of the Camden Mobile Health Bus (also right). Page 2 details the upcoming Fleet International Food Evening—it would be brilliant to see lots of you here so please do make a note of the date. Page 3 and 4 are ads for two creative competitions running for the children in school (perfect for working on over today and tomorrow's strike closures). Please do make a note of the dates on page 6 relevant to your child. Page 8 is an ad for the Camden Climate Action group's Clean Air Cycle later this year. It would be great to have as many Fleet families as possible taking part and giving the children a chance to put their cycle training skills into practice. There are bikes available for those without—see the ad. Page 9 is about drumming lessons. We know we have some families who have already expressed interest to Camden Music but we don't quite have enough for a tutor to come so if any other parents are interested in their child having drumming lessons please do contact them. Page 11 is this week's parent information sheet from National Online Safety while page 14 and 15 have information on holiday schemes running. The remaining pages, while adverts that have been in before are well worth a reread in case you've previously missed anything.

## Camden Holiday Access Fund (HAF) Easter Holiday Clubs

Check out the programme of activities running over the Easter Break, including one here at Fleet (use link below). Many of these are free of charge.

## https://haf.youngcamdenfoundation.org.uk/

Once again there is a week long (3rd April—6th April) club as part of the HAF offer here at Fleet—use this link to go directly to it for information and booking:

## https://legacysportscamps.coordinate.cloud/ project/40923

Also other sports related holiday courses can be found here including many locally:

https://www.camden.gov.uk/children-youngpeople#cmft

## Camden Mobile Health Bus

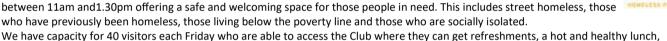
A walk in service offering free diabetes risk checks, health information and advice to support residents to make positive health and wellbeing choices. Queen's Crescent Community Association car park on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March

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We are currently looking for volunteers to join our Friday Club team. The main purpose of this role is to positively engage with members through conversation - offering companionship and an empathetic, listening ear.



<sup>II</sup>The Friday Club is a drop-in service run by C4WS Homeless Project at 'The Salvation Army Chalk Farm' It opens every Friday



showers, donations of clothing and toiletries,

We are looking for a people with the following qualities:

- Able to commit to a minimum of 2 Fridays per month (10am 2:30pm).
- Good listening skills, and ability to chat empathetically with members.
- Warm, friendly & enthusiastic disposition.
- Ability to form positive relationships with members whilst maintaining professional & personal boundaries.
- Compassion and understanding around issues faced by people experiencing homelessness and vulnerable adults.
- Good team player and willingness to help out where needed this could range from clearing up, Making hot drinks, distributing donations.
- Ability to remain calm and upbeat in a busy, varying environment.
- Be familiar with the work of C4WS Homeless Project.

If you are interested in this role, please email: lorraine@c4wshomelessproject



## We're here for you: 📀 Visit camden.gov.uk/costofliving

Contact one of the organisations in the Camden Advice Network. Visit camden.gov.uk/can

- Call us on 020 7974 4444 (option 9)
- S Call Citizens Advice Camden on 0808 278 7835

SATURDAY 25 MARCH 12PM-4PM 1-2 LISMORE CIRCUS, NW5 4QF



- Community Health Bus
   Health Education
- Diet Advice Free Health Checks Smoothie Bikes
- Face Painting Live exercise and football sessions
- Live music .... and many more

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Bring a national dish to share, and try some delicious food from around the world!

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Food

**Thursday 30th March** 5-7pm in the Hall

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Free entry and free food! Drinks available to buy, raising funds for the school.

This event is for Fleet families only

# Easter Egg Decorating Competition



Every year we hold an Easter Egg decorating competition and we are all impressed and amused with the children's eggs -cellent decorated eggs and eggs-tremely funny egg scenes!

They have freedom to decorate their Easter Egg scene in any way they see fit – they **don't** 



**need to use real eggs** (they can craft egg shapes from anything they would like) it just has to have an element of a designed 'egg' shape in it.

The countdown is now on for this year's competition. Entries should be brought in on the last day of term, **Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> March.** They will be judged that morning and then shared in the end of term assem-

bly and prizes given out.

To submit your entry you need to:

- · Decorate you egg/egg scene—special consideration for prizes given for creativity and imagination!
- · Bring in your egg/scene on the morning of **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** for judging

We can't wait to see the fantastic entries this year.



# Fleet Primary School Calencar Competition

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

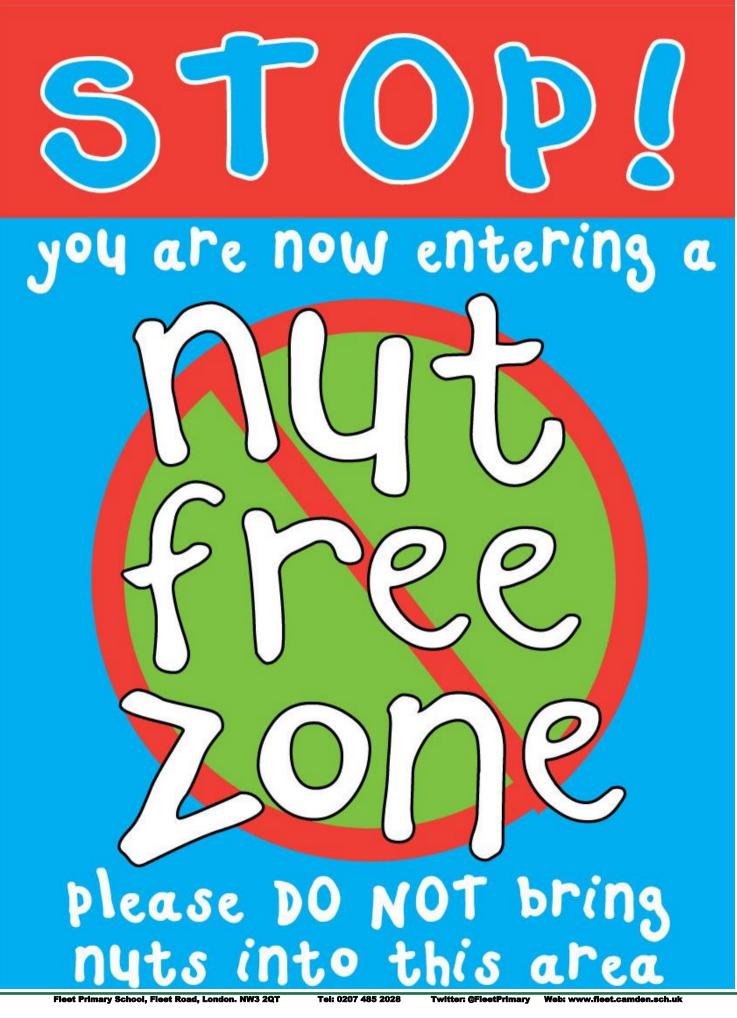
in pencil (don't write in pen and not on the front). They should also include a 'fun fact' about their subject written on the back too which will be included in the final calendar if their image is selected.

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!





REMINDER: This is a 'NUT FREE SCHOOL'. Do not send in any nuts or products containing nuts in packed lunches or for snacks. Thank you.



# Please bear in mind that occa-

for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We also will often need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parent hub closer to the date of a trip for requests for help and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

## WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

13th March:	Irish Dancing Workshop for KS1 & KS2	
15th & 16th Mar:	FURTHER STRIKE DAY BY NEU MEMBERS—school closed	
30th March:	International Food Evening—5-7pm	
31st March:	end of term—school closes at 2pm	
18th April:	Summer Term Starts—Children Back	

See the tables here (right and below) for events specific to individual classes. If you have any questions about these trips, visits or events please speak to the class teacher of contact the office.

## NURSERY

23rd March:	Parent Meetings	

RECEPTION		
22nd & 23rd Mar:	Parent Meetings	
23rd March:	Hampstead Heath Spring Walk	

YEAR 1				
21st March:	Parent Meetings			
23rd March:	Parent Meetings			
23rd March:	Year 1 Class Tea			
24th March:	Year 1 Class Assembly			
30th March:	London Zoo			

YEAR 2		
23rd March:	Hampstead Heath	
21st March:	Parent Meetings	
23rd March:	Parent Meetings	
30th March:	Talacre	

## YEAR 3

17th March: Year 3 Class Assembly	
22nd March:	Parent Meetings: Year 3
23rd March:	Talacre
23rd March:	Parent Meetings: Year 3

YEAR 4		
22nd March: Parent Meetings		
23rd March:	Parent Meetings	
27th March:	Science Museum	
28th March: Airspace Workshop		

YEAR 5			
20th—30th Mar:	Year 5 Swimming eve- ryday		
22nd March:	Parent Meetings		
23rd March:	Rehearsal for Royal Al- bert Hall—location t.b.c.		
23rd March:	Parent Meetings		

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21st March: British Library	
22nd March:	Parent Meetings
23rd March:	Parent Meetings

# Term Dates for this Academic Year.

## SCHOOL TERM DATES 2022-2023

AUTUMN TERM				
First day of term	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022			
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2022			
Last day of term	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 – close at 2pm			
SPRING TERM				
First day of term	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023			
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2023			
Last day of term	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023 – close at 2pm			
SUMMER TERM				
First day of term	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023			
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 1st May 2023 - school closed			
Additional Bank Holiday	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 – school closed			
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023			
Last day of term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023 – close at 2pm			

## STAFF INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 <sup>st</sup> half term	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> & Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2022	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
2 <sup>nd</sup> half term			Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

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.

Fleet Primary School, Fleet Road, London. NW3 2QT Tel: 0207 485 2028 Twitter: @FleetPrimary Web: www.fleet.camden.sch.uk

TICKETS:

## THE CAMDEN CLEAN AIR CYCLE RIDE 2023

## Saturday 20 May 2023, 09:30 to 11:30, Granary Square, King's Cross



for kids and adults! Please enquire when buying your ticket.





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## Have fun learning to play the drums at Fleet School

- Lessons will take place during the school day
- Taught by an experienced Camden Music Tutor
- Recommended for children in years 2 6

## **Getting started is easy!**

Simply apply online

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

## 020 7974 7239 camdenmusic@camden.gov.uk



# Raise FREE donations for

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## every time you shop online

Find us on easyfundraising.org.uk

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fleetps

**4,300** online sites will give us a free donation when you shop with them - at no extra cost to you!



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

rom Rational Con ine

Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010, kickstarting the tablet market, and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features – including the standard iPad; the iPad Air; the iPad Pro; and the iPad mini. Thankfully, they all offer parental controls so you can regulate how your child uses the device ... and how long they spend on it.

## PHYSICAL DAMAGE

WHAT ARE

THE RISKS?

e some tablets (such le Amazon Fire Kids ons) come with rugge ck-proof cases, iPads

## SCREEN ADDICTION

## INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

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**Advice for Parents & Carers** 

## ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Before letting little ones loose on an Pad, it's a good idea to set up Family tharing, as this lets you utilise the parental ontrols to manage exactly how your child is able use the device. You can do this fairly easily by going nto the iPad's settings; once there, you'll be able to idd an existing Apple account (if your child already as one) or set one up from scratch.

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## APPLY SOME LIMITS

The 'Downtime' function allows you to tell the iPad to lock itself at certain periods (at mealtimes or before bed, for instance), while 'App Limits' removes access to certain apps once they've been used for a specified length of time each day. The iPad can display a reminder when these limits have nearly been reached, letting your child mentally prepare for the end of their gaming or viewing time.



## STOP ACCIDENTAL SPENDING

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To empower your child with an increased sense of freedom on their device (without giving yourself something else to worry about in the process) you could enable the iPad's 'Ask to Buy' feature. Whenever your child tries to download or buy an app, game or product, the iPad sends you a request to approve (or denyi) it. This option only becomes available if you've set up Family Sharing.

## SET CONTENT AND PRIVACY RESTRICTIONS

The parental controls can stop the iPad from displaying explicit or age-inappropriate content (in apps like iTunes and Safari, for instance) when your child is signed into their account. You'll also be able to restrict the capacity to download and install apps, and you can specify permissions which prevent children from changing the iPad's privacy settings once you've selected them.

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## TRACK IT DOWN

Just like the iPhone, Apple's iPads have 'Find My' software to help you locate your child's iPad – or indeed, any linked Apple devices that have gone AWOL, including phones, watches and AirPods. If you enable 'Find My' in the settings menu, it will display the last known location of an iPad that's been mislaid, as well as giving you the option to lock a missing iPad that you suspect has been stolen.

## Meet Our Expert

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Twitter: @FleetPrimary Web: www.fleet.camden.sch.uk



A course for parents to help build skills in managing their children's behaviour

## Incredible Years' School Age Group:

Parents of children aged 5-11





#### About the group:

- There will be a maximum of 12 parents in the group
- A safe, non-judgemental space to meet other parents and carers to share knowledge and experiences and to support each other
- The group will meet every Friday morning during term time for 12 weeks
- Each session will run for 2 hours
- Dates: 28th April-21st July 2023

Day: Every Friday (during term-time only)

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Venue: The Tavistock Centre and Zoom (online video platform)





About Incredible Years:

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development

**Topics covered:** 

coaching

An evidence-based parenting pro-

gramme helping parents to manage

and reduce difficult and disruptive be-

The programme recognises that you

are the expert on your child and will

not criticise or judge your parenting

Gives you the opportunity to be with other parents, to share ideas and try

Support parents to promote their chil-

dren's social, emotional, and academic

Uses a mixture of videos, group discussion and practices to cover each skill

Parental attention and child-led play

Social, emotional and persistence

Effective praise and rewards Rules, routines and boundaries Managing misbehaviour through con-

sequence and time-out

out practical activities at home

#### Location:

- The group will take place both face to face and on the online video platform Zoom
- For face to face sessions you will meet at The Tavistock Centre
- For online sessions the facilitators of the group will send you a Zoom link via email in order to access the group
- You will be given information on how to use Zoom before the group starts and group facilitators will provide support to any parents that are unfamiliar with the Zoom application

### Aims of the programme:

- Strengthen the relationship you have with your child
- Help you to believe in yourself as a successful parent
- Help your child to feel better about themselves
- Develop skills to help your child manage their emotions and feel calm
- Help you cope and feel in control
- Develop effective parenting strategies
- Help your child with friendships





**Camden CAMHS Wellbeing Team and the** Mental Health Support Team in schools (MHST)

**Tavistock Centre** 120 Belsize Lane London NW3 5BA

Email: CwpAdmin@tavi-port.nhs.uk

#### Phone: 020 8938 2232

Please ask to speak with Marie Hagan-Asmah (Trainee Parenting Practitioner) or Emma Rahman (Parenting Practitioner)



Tel: 0207 485 2028

## GIVE YOUR CHILD An Invaluable Life Skill at Kentish Town Sports Centre

Do you want to improve your child's water confidence and give them the ability to swim?

Discover how to kick-start your child's confidence in the water at **better.org.uk/swim-school** 

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



## WHAT'S MORE, YOUR CHILD WILL...

- Develop social skills whilst having fun with new friends
- Feel motivated as they progress through stages
- Improve their confidence with every stroke
- And most importantly, learn a life saving skill

Better Swim School offers affordable lessons for all ages and abilities taught by qualified teachers with our own industry leading swim school programme. Our safe and friendly environment will ensure your child enjoys life long fun in and around the water.

Book now to secure your child's place at **better.org.uk/swim-school** 

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Twitter: @FieetPrimary Web: www.fieet.camden.sch.uk

# Join us on an amazing journey at our free Easter Holiday Club!

Tues 4<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am-12.30pm



Fun, games, crafts, quizzes and **MUCH MORE** as we time travel through the **BIGGEST** story ever!

For reception to year 6. We welcome children of any faith or none.

To sign up, email: office@sjdh.org phone: 020 7099 9360





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AGE 9-14+



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QuadKids 2023

At Parliament Hill Track on:

Sunday 5th March, 2nd April, 7th May and 4th June 12-2 pm

Register (£3) onsite from 11:30 or online at: https://webcollect.org.uk/highgate

## How fast can you sprint?

How far can you throw? What's your longest long jump?

Cot the stamina to race for two minutes? QuadKids is an England Athletics endorsed format for children of all abilities under 12. It's quick, fun and a great way to measure progress over time.

For further details email Brenda Myers guadkids@highgateharriers.org.uk

We hope to see you there!



**Highgate Harriers** www.highgateharriers.org.uk



## WEEKLY GIRLS SESSIONS

## TUESDAYS

TIME: 4.30-6pm

**AGES 5-11** 

**COST: FREE** 

Castlehaven Pitch 1, 23 Castlehaven Rd, NW1 8RU SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP (5–11)





TIME: 4.30-6pm AGES 12-14 COST: FREE Castlehaven Pitches 2 & 3, 23 Castlehaven Rd, NW1 8RU SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP (12–14)







## Inter Borough Challenge & **Mini Marathon Trials**



FREE To Enter Race

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Represent Camden at this years Inter borough Challenge where young people will compete against athletes from Hackney, Islington, Haringey Westminster and the City of London.

Best runners from the challenge will qualify for Camden's team for the London TCS Mini Marathon taking place on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2023

**RACE DETAILS** Dates: Sunday 12th of March Time: 10:00 - 13:00 Venue: Finsbury Park Athletics Track, N4 2DE

**FREE To Enter Race** 

Mini Marathon Races for U13s, U15s and U17s







Inter Borough Challenge Races for



For more information please contact Ben.Dorsett@camden.gov.uk



## **Keats Community Library**

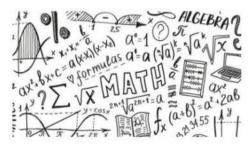
# Maths' Club



All Homework Questions & Tackling GCSE Maths ALL AGES WELCOME

# Tuesdays after-school 4:30-5:30 pm

In the Children's Library



Lia is a Year 11 Maths Teacher with a degree in Maths and Statistics. She will help with homework and explain topics as needed. She will provide tips and advice on how to prepare for the GCSE exams.

Lia loves teaching maths and wishes to show how mathematics can be fun and rewarding! (mobile: 07501516289)

> Sign up Required! By message or email! £10/child (£8 siblings)payable to Lia

Any questions? Email kclchildrenslibrary@gmail.com

Keats Community Library is a registered charity (1146702) and a company limited by guarantee (07889559) We are at: The Library, Keats Grove, London NW3 2RR.

# Keats Community Library

# **Ballet Storytime**



30-minute stay and play session £5/child Recommended for children 18 months+

## Wednesdays 2-2:30 pm

Explore ballet's timeless tales in this interactive class for young children and their parents/ guardians.

An introduction to the wonderful music and movement of ballet, combined with storytelling, mime and fun for all.

With Lucy Heard, RAD RTS www.thehouseofballet.com

## Online sign up is requested! Drop-ins welcome

Keats Community Library is a registered charity (1146702) and a company limited by guarantee (07889559) We are at: The Library, Keats Grove, London NW3 2RR.



# **Creative family** workshops FREE

**Connect** with nature through poetry and painting

> Sunday 26 March, 2 – 4pm Sunday 2 April, 2 – 4pm Saturday 22 April, 2 – 4pm

**Nightingale Room** Keats House and garden 10 Keats Grove, Hampstead, London, NW3 2RR

## **#THEWILDESCAPE**



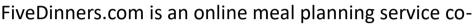


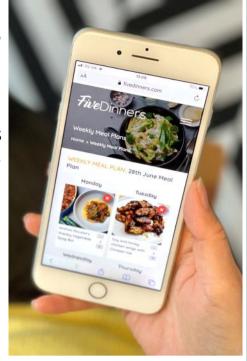




# Limited time offer – get FREE lifetime membership to FiveDinners.com!

We know how hard times are at the moment so the folks at FiveDinners.com – online meal planning service - have decided to give away FREE lifetime memberships to try and help you save money on food shopping and reduce the mental load of deciding what to eat every night. There's no catch or restrictions, simply full access to our meal plans to make your dinnertimes a little easier and cheaper.





founded by author and TV chef Theo Michaels. To help with the cost of living crisis so many families and individuals are facing Theo has decided to offer their meal planning service for FREE (usually £49.99 per year); every week they publish a new meal plan with an automatically generated shopping list; set to your serving size so you know exactly what you need for the week ahead. It saves you time, money on food shopping and ultimately takes away the headache of deciding what to cook every night. You can even create and save your own meal plans choosing from hundreds of recipes.

Simply head to <u>https://FiveDinners.com</u> and click green Join button now.

## **Five**Dinners

FREE Lifetime membership sign up today!

Limited time offer! was £<del>49.0</del>9 - now £0!



## **NSPCC School's Service Volunteer**

Locations: Central London (Camden, Islington, City, Westminster, Kensington & Chelsea, Tower Hamlets)



What we're looking for: We need people to help us protect a generation of children from abuse and neglect. As a Speak out. Stay safe. volunteer, you will visit primary schools to deliver Speak out. Stay safe. workshops to children in Year 5 and Year 6 that teach children about the different types of abuse and how they can speak out and stay safe.

What you'll do: Our Speak out. Stay safe. workshops are age-appropriate and memorable and need an energetic and enthusiastic person to deliver them. You'll work alongside other Speak out. Stay safe. volunteers to make sure at the end of each session the children feel empowered and know who they can speak out to if they are worried. In some session's children may speak up and disclose abuse, so you will also be required to sensitively handle this and report any concerns you have about the child. But don't worry you'll get plenty of support and training on this.

Who's right for the role? While we think this role is suitable for a whole range of people, we are particularly looking for those with the following qualities and experience:

- Passionate about helping children and young people
- Sensitive and supportive

- Great communication skills
- Empathetic and perceptive

- Able to think on your feet
- Work well within a team

For this role, we can only accept people over the age of 16.

Interested in getting involved? Volunteer today and join our fight for every childhood.

Please email Faye – Faye.Wynne@NSPCC.org.uk for more information or to register your interest!



## Is your child aged between 3 and 11?



Do you feel that your child has difficulties with their sleep? e.g. trouble falling asleep / staying asleep / snoring / sleep apnea / nightmares / sleep walking

Sleep is especially important for children and young people because it helps with mental, physical, social and emotional development. Sleep helps our brains to remember, memorise and analyse information. These skills improve performance at school, maintain general wellbeing and sleep can also impact our mood.



Would you like to support some research into children's sleep difficulties?



If you would like to support this research and take part in an anonymous 5 minute questionnaire, please click on the link below or scan the QR code:



## Home-Start Camden & Islington is a grass-roots charity that supports and empowers parents with children under five who are struggling to cope.

Our volunteers are given bespoke training and matched with a family to best meet the family's needs. They visit the families in their home and provide non-judgmental, peer-to-peer, practical and emotional support.

All volunteers have parenting experience so they know what families are going through. Support is confidential, compassionate and totally responsive to the needs of the family.

## To receive support from Home-Start Camden and Islington all we need to know is that you:

& Islington

- Live in Camden or Islington
- Have a child or children under the age of five
- Be in need of a little extra help

## For more information, including on how to self-refer for support, use the details below:

https://homestartcamdenandislington.org.uk/

## Tel: 0207 099 6041 Email: info@homestartcamden.org

#### **Make their** Camden & early years Islington count Volunteers neede Being a parent is hard for everyone; for some it can be overwhelming. Some of us have a fantastic support Are you a mum, dad, network of family and friends to help, some of us don't. grandparent or carer? With your knowledge and experience as a mum or dad, grandparent or carer, you could be the vital support a family We need people with your needs and make a big difference to their lives. experience to volunteer Find out more: If you could give as little as a few hours www.homestartcamdenandislington.org.uk a week to support a parent and their 020 7099 6041 email at info@homestartcamden.org children, then please get in touch. O Make a difference to the lives of We're there for parents when they parents and children need us most. Join us and: Gain access to free, high quality training Enhance your well-being 0 Camden & Learn new skills Free, high quality training Islington 0 Enhance your wellbeing Charity No. 1086292 For more details Make new friends & connect with your community Telephone: 020 7099 6041 Fleet Primary School, Fleet Road, London. NW3 2QT Tel: 0207 485 2028 Twitter: @FleetPrimary Web: www.fleet.camden.sch.uk



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## Help a child learn to read

This year our school is working with Bookmark, a children's literacy charity that links schools with volunteers to provide children with extra reading support.

You can help a child develop the reading skills and confidence they need for a fair chance in life. Two hours a week, for 12 weeks.

As a Bookmark volunteer, you'll help your community and make a huge difference to a child.

## Registered Charity No. 117768

## SIGN UP TODAY



bookmarkreading.org/ volunteerf2f

Could you volunteer to help a child with their reading? Our school is working with Bookmark, a children's literacy charity, to provide our pupils with extra reading support. As a volunteer, you'll come into school to read and play fun, literacy games with the same child for 30-minute sessions, twice a week. We're looking for people who could support a minimum of two children a week, across 12 weeks. Sign up now to help children in your local community. Please feel free to share this volunteering opportunity with your own networks. You can find out more and sign up here: www.bookmarkreading.org/volunteerf2f



## Multiply **FREE MATHS** SKILLS COURSES

SUPPORTED BY MAYOR OF LONDON

Multiply is a brand-new programme designed to help adults in London improve their maths skills to help with everyday life and provide more opportunities.

### Multiply courses can help you to:

 Improve your confidence Manage your money

Strengthen skills in the

workplace

Be aged 19+

in UK

- Live in London
  - Not have maths GCSE at grade C (or equivalent)

To be eligible you must:

• Have the right to live and work

opportunities • Gain a maths qualification if you don't have one

for more details, email the Multiply team on:

Multiply@capitalccg.ac.ukor scan the QR code

 Support your children while improving your own skills

Upskill to access better job

 Access maths if you've found it hard to access before

 Have evidence of 3 years of residency in the UK

Having a good level of maths skills can help you find more job opportunities and lead to higher wages or can help you prepare for further study. They also help in everyday life, for example helping children with homework and budgeting.

Launching this year across the UK, 'Multiply' is a new government funded programme to help adults improve their numeracy skills.

If you're aged 19 and over and don't have maths GCSE Grade 4 Grade C or equivalent, you can access free numeracy courses through Multiply to build your confidence with numbers and gain a qualification.



We are partnered with the Mayor of London to deliver free Multiply courses designed to fit into your daily life, including evenings and weekends.

Are you interested in taking part in Multiply? Simply register your interest

If you have any queries or are an employer who is interested in taking part, please email the Multiply Team on Multiply@capitalccg.ac.uk

## SUPPORTED BY Multiply MAYOR OF LONDON Capital City College Training

# Find your nearest warm welcome space



## camden.gov.uk/warmwelcome



To help everyone stay warm this winter, 'warm welcome' spaces are available in Camden's libraries, council buildings and voluntary and community sector organisations across the borough.

Each 'warm welcome' space will be a little different in its offer but wherever residents visit, they will be met with warmth and kindness, and they will be able to relax, meet up with others and get support with the cost of living crisis in a safe and warm place.



KX Recruit is the recruitment agency that matches employers with jobseekers at King's Cross.

We are passionate about King's Cross and are here to help local business to find the right staff, and at the same time help local people to access the job opportunities created by the redevelopment of King's Cross. Our service is personal, highly-specialised and completely free-of-charge. We help companies to recruit at all levels and have a track record of successfully working with a range of companies, from small businesses to multi-national organisations.

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Call 020 36914000 Email reception@kxrecruit.co.uk KX Recruit,11 Stable St, London, N1C 4AB

www.kxrecruit.co.uk

## COOPERATION TOWN

# Cooperation St Martin's is your new community food co-op.

A food co-op is a neighbourhood buying group, where members get quality groceries at very affordable prices.

Co-ops buy food and household products in bulk and, in addition, get free supermarket surplus.

Co-op members save up to 40% off their weekly food costs by organising with their neighbours.

Food co-ops are run by members, who together decide what to buy and how to run the project. No bosses, no managers!

Meeting every Thursday, 7pm At St Martin's Church, Vicar's Road NW5 4NN To find out more and join the co-op contact Martin on 07901 001754

www.cooperation.town | info@cooperation.town | @CooperationTown



## **Citizens Advice Camden**

## How to contact us:



## Adviceline

0808 278 7835 free number. You do not need credit on your phone to call us Monday – Friday 10am-4pm



Complete the call-back request form on our website and we will call you.

www.camdencabservice.org.uk

## 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

Call 0800 1448 4444 (free number). Mon to Fri 8am - 6pm Webchat:

visit <u>https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/benefits/universal-credit/claiming/helptoclaim/</u> on our website and click on the 'Talk to an Adviser' button half way down the page

\* Universal Credit Support for help maintaining your claim and problems including UC stopping, sanctions and appeals.

Call 07765 293116 and leave a message with your number and we'll call you back

Visit our website for details of all our services

Citizens Advice Camden is a registered charity 291955

I want to support people in my community

citizens advice

## Volunteer with us

Advice Support Workers This role provides administrative support for the service.

> Trainee Advisers This role gives detailed advice and assistance to our clients.

Adviceline Assessors This role provides an initial telephone assessment of client issues.

Benefit Case Makers This role supports client in making disability benefit applications.



Please visit our website for details of our current volunteering opportunities or email us for further details:

Volunteer.Project@camdencabservice.org.uk

www.camdencabservice.org.uk



## 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>here</u>.

## 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 <u>which can be</u> <u>downloaded here</u>. 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. <u>These can</u> <u>be downloaded on Camden website</u>.

## 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, <u>speak to one</u> <u>of our advice partners</u>. You can also get help via <u>Good Work Camden</u>, 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 <u>camden.gov.uk/</u><u>winterevents</u>. To find out more about advice and support, visit <u>camden.gov.uk/costofliving</u>. To find your nearest 'warm welcome' space, visit <u>camden.gov.uk/warmwelcome</u>

# **Keir Starmer**

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.

Please get in touch with my constituency office if you need my support.

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









keir.starmer.constituency@parliament.uk



**L** 020 7388 7862



Keir Starmer MP, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA



## **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?



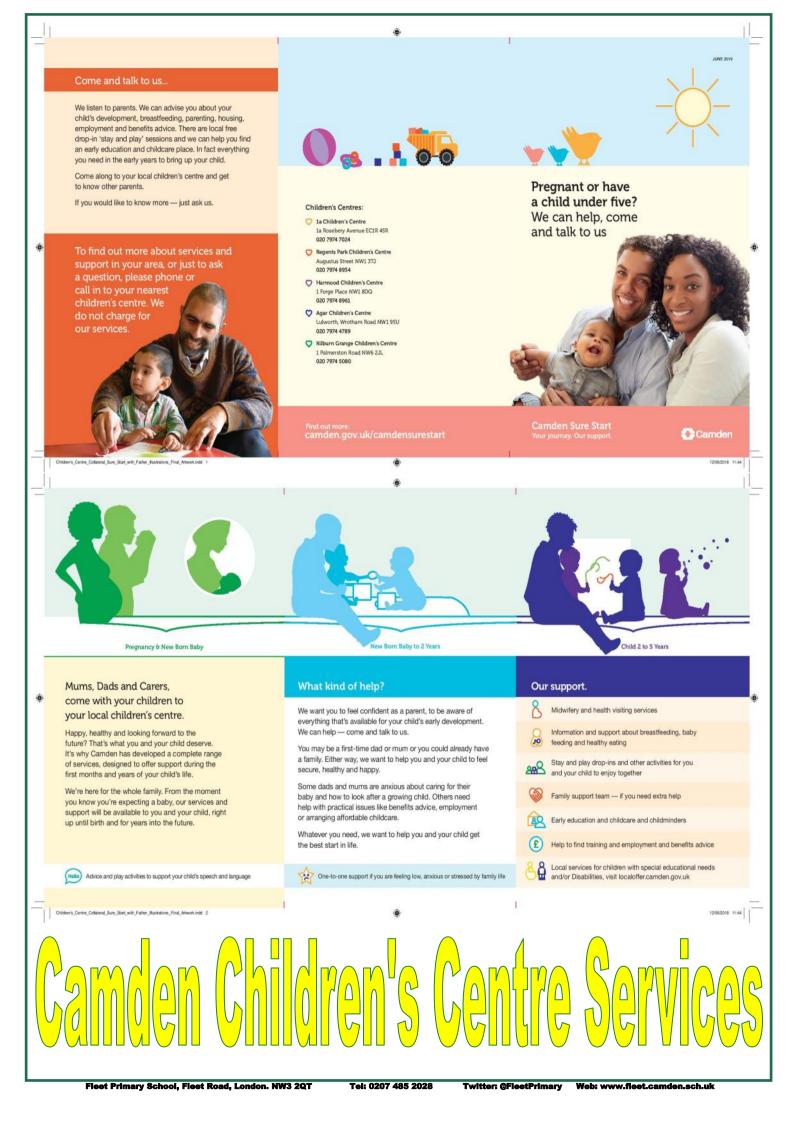
Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

## 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



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 clearance

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 given

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

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



#### 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 away
- 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



# JOIN US ON SATURDAYS

at Brecknock School, NW1 9AL

- 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

www.camden.gov.uk/saturday-music-centres



## 020 7974 7239 camdenmusic@camden.gov.uk

# CAMDEN MHST

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

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.





emotional health & wellbeing in Camden, for children, young people and their families



FLEET PRIMARY SCHOOLS PRACTITIONER

**THOMAS BURNAND** School Hours: Wednesday Afternoon

If you are interested in getting help, please contact: Rebecca Wall —Deputy Head

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





## Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Webinar Series for Parents/Carers of Primary School aged Children and Secondary School aged Young People

The MHST are pleased to offer parents/carers a series of workshops to support their children's well-being.

The remaining webinars this term are listed below.

Each workshop will last up to 60 minutes and have an optional follow-up of 30 minutes for parents/carers to ask questions or discuss the topic further.

Parents and carers can opt in for all topics, or whichever most appeals to them.

Parents and carers can register for any of the webinars through Eventbrite for free at:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mhst-parent-and-carer-webinar-series-2022-2023-tickets-415252660887



Or please scan the QR code to the right using your mobile phone's camera:

Webinar topic	Intended Parent Audience	Date	Time
Anxiety in Adolescence Secondary		Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	12.00 to 13:00
			Q and A 13:00 to 13.30
Gender identity	Secondary	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	12.00 to 13:00
			Q and A 13:00 to 13.30



# GIRLS FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

## BOOK A FREE TASTER CLASS NOW

- Skills & ball mastery techniques
- Ø Agility, balance, coordination & speed
- Strategy & teamwork training
- Sun games & friendly matches

## **EVERY TUESDAY**

6-11 year olds 5:30-6:30pm

## FIRST CLASS IS FREE!

£6 per week thereafter Concession rates & sibling discounts apply

## FLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL - 4G ASTROTURF Agincourt Rd, London, NW3 2QT

Registration Link www.prorevo.co.uk

## More Information +E: prorevolution.development@gmail.com

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

# 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 needed.

Find your local crisis line number here.



## **Online learning resources and homework**

- Mathletics: login.mathletics.com or download app for mobile
- Times Table Rockstars: <u>https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school</u> or download app for mobile
- Numbots (EYFS/KS1): <u>https://play.numbots.com/#/account/</u> <u>school-login/33442</u>
- Bug Club Reading Resource: <u>https://</u> 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: <u>https://app.seesaw.me/#/login</u> or download app
- Busy things: <u>https://www.busythings.co.uk/lgfl-login/</u>

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:

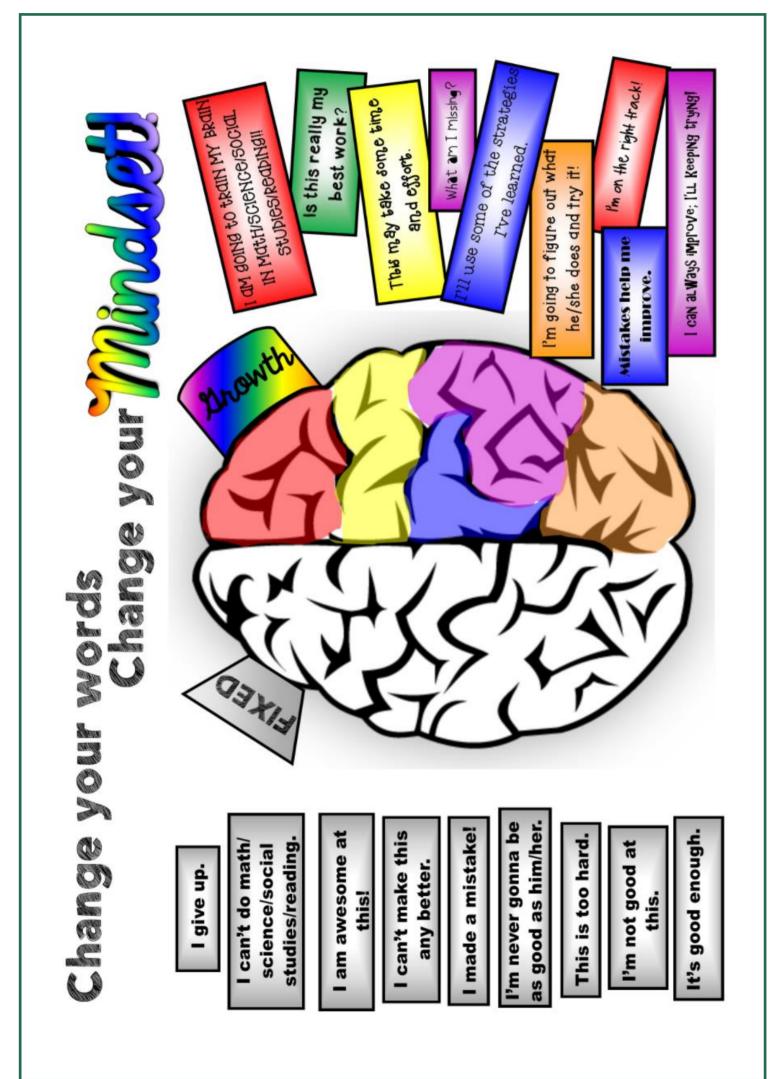
- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit your household income must be less than
- £7,400 a year (after tax and not including benefits)Child Tax Credit with a taxable income of no more than
- Child Tax Credit with a taxable 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)



## 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 <u>brandoncen-</u> <u>tre.healthyliving@nhs.net</u> email address.

Brandon Centre Here for Young People



## 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.

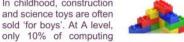


#### Why are they bad for everyone?

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

only



- and 22% of physics students are girls. At work, less than 10% of engineers are female. In childhood, children learn that dolls are
- '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 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 Children learn from the genders. 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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<ul> <li>Toys:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Thinking about buying presents? For help avoiding gifts which reinforce gender stereotyping see the Let Toys be Toys website at <u>www.lettoytsbetoys.org.uk</u> – especially their Gift Guides and recommended retailers.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opportunities to challenge gender stereotypes:</li> <li>In role-play games with younger children, who plays what roles?</li> <li>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?</li> <li>Look for positive role models of female leaders, women in sport, men in caring roles.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Language:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>'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.</li> <li>Use 'humankind' rather than 'mankind' or 'firefighter' rather than 'fireman' – avoid using the masculine to refer to everyone.</li> </ul>
All emotions are for everyone! Don't	thes and shoes: Are girls wearing clothes or shoes	<ul> <li>Around the home:</li> <li>Who do children see doing what work around the house?</li> <li>What chores are children given at home – are they different for girls and boys?</li> <li>Is different behaviour expected of sons and daughters?</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>expressing how they feel.</li> <li>What praise are children given? e.g. repeated praise of girls as pretty and boys as clever or strong teaches</li> </ul>	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.	between them than differences. Beware treating girls or boys as uniform groups. Friendships between genders are to be encouraged.

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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

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#### 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,

### 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.

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



#### 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

#### 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.

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

First Stop

## Early Help services include:

What does Early Help do?

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

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

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 vou for 6 to 12 months.

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 vour family best.



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