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## Wednesday 21st June 2023

## New items this week...

A number of new items this week including message from PTA about fair meeting and possible strike closures (right) and Covid Vaccine bus (below). Latest dates on page 2 (note in red some changes) along with next years term dates on page 3. Page 10 has an advert for a job at Puss in Boots nursery which would work well around school hours while Page 11 has a flyer for 'Perform in the Park' who are putting on shows over the summer holidays. Page 12 & 13 are adverts that have been in before but this coming weekend is the events they advertise. Page 16 has the latest National Online Safety Parent info sheet.

## 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

## **Camden Covid-19 Vaccination Bus**

The bus will be visiting QCCA on Ashdown Crescent, opening from Queen's Crescent, NW5 4QE this Saturday 24th June from 11am-4pm.

You can also book or have walk-in appointments available locally from:

- Macey Chemist—68 Mansfield Road, NW3 2HU (access at the rear of pharmacy, off Courthope Road) Monday to Wednesday 9am-2.15pm, Friday 9am-5.30pm
- Sandylight Pharmacy—131 Queens Crescent, NW5 4EG Open Monday to Thursday 10am-2pm, Saturdays 10am-4pm

## 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 10<sup>th</sup> July 12:15 to 14:15 at the Tavistock Centre & Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 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

## Summer Fair Message from the PTA

### Dear parents,

The summer fair will be July 15th! Come to the planning meeting on Friday 30th June at 8.45-9.30am to help us make it a fun event for all our Fleet families. The winter fair this year raised a grand total of £3106.90 for the school playground improvements so it's for a good cause as well as being a good time for the whole family Contact <u>FleetSchoolPA@gmail.com</u> or speak with us in the playground if you'd like to chat - we'd love to hear from you. Many thanks from the Fleet PTA Committee

## **Upcoming NEU Strikes & possible closure**

July the 5th and 7th have been announced as strike days for members of the NEU teacher's union. For previous strike days, with all our teachers members, we have been forced to close. As soon as the teachers have indicated their intention for these days we will make a formal announcement. In the meantime please bear in mind the strong possibility we will be closed on those days.

## **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 can apply online (link below) for the concessionary membership or do it in person in one for the Better Centres.

### Better adult concession:

Membership rate per session: Swimming: £2.50 Gym: £4.20 Class:£4.00 Better junior concession Membership rate per session: Swimming: £1.65 Gym: £3.60

https://www.better.org.uk/monthly-membership/better-hf-conc

## 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.

## **Help Please!**

We need used 500ml plastic bottles for a year 6 project. There will be a box outside the office to put them in. Don't throw them away, give them to us!



## 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 by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023. Many thanks. https://forms.gle/adi8vSGPEvi2HoWb8

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Please bear in mind that occasionally trips may be arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parenthub closer to the date of a trip and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

## WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

26th-30th June	STEAM Week
28th June	Members of School Council out at Wellbeing Champion Event
3rd-7th July	Wellbeing Week
30th June	PTA—Summer Fair Planning Meeting—8.45am-9.30am—all welcome
6th July	Local Councillor surgery—drop in to meet Marcus Boyland (see page 6 for more details)
3rd or 7th July— note change here	Sports Day on the Heath—decision on day pending due to upcoming teacher strike—once we know if we will be open or closed on the 7th a final decision will be made. We aim to let you know as soon as we can.
11th July	Class Swaps—children spend afternoon with next year's teacher
12th July	Teacher drop in sessions after school —any questions about reports or to say hello to next year's teacher
15th July	Summer Fair

See the tables here (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.

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29th June	Class Tea
30th June	Class Assembly @ 10am
4th July	London Zoo
13th July	Central London Mosque
18th July	Hampstead Heath

YEAR 2		
23rd June— date change	Class Tea	
23rd June	Class Assembly @ 10am	
30th June	London Zoo	
13th July	Central London Mosque	
14th July	To the Beach	

YEAR 6		
19th-30th June	Swimming everyday	
27th June	Kew Gardens	
4th July	Talacre—Basketball	
20th July	Leavers Assembly @ 2pm	
20th July	BBQ & Gower Exhibition	

YEAR 5	
23rd June	Google
29th June	Crick Lab
6th July	Trumpet & Trombone perfor- mance on Hampstead Heath Bandstand—t.b.c.
12th July	Hampstead Heath



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

Hampstead Heath

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6th July

YEAR 3	
4th July	Camden Music Festival

YEAR 4		
27th June	Kew Gardens	
6th July	Trumpet & Trombone perfor- mance on Hampstead Heath Bandstand—t.b.c.	
13th July	Central London Mosque	

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

## SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023-2024

## AUTUMN TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2023	
Last day of term	Thursday 21st December 2023 – close at 2pm	
SPRING TERM		
First day of term	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	
Half term (inclusive) Monday 12th Feb – Friday 16th Feb 2024		
Last day of term	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 – close at 2pm	
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First day of term	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 - school closed	
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024	
Last day of term	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 – close at 2pm	

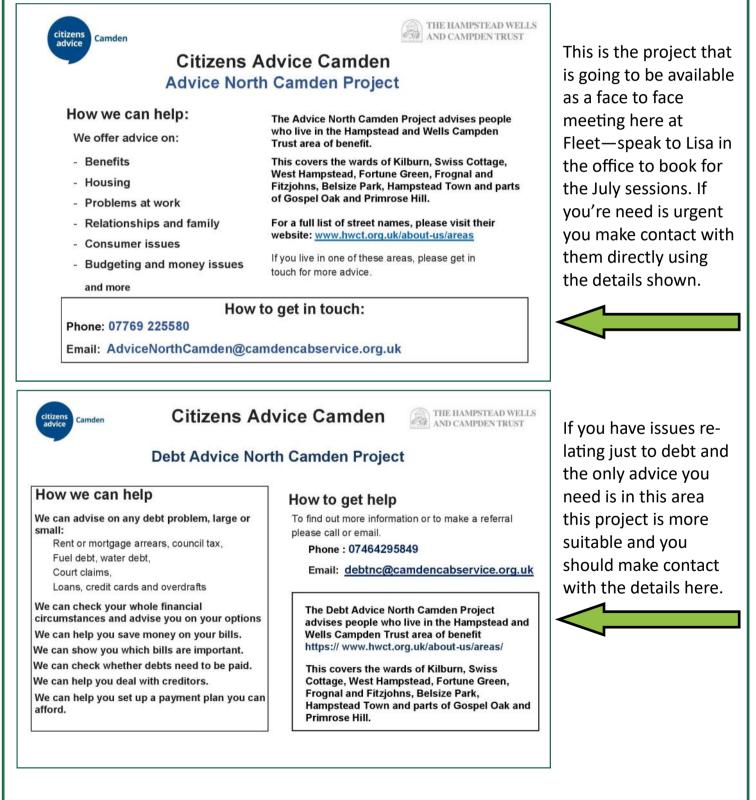
## STAFF INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1ª half term	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
2 <sup>nd</sup> half term			Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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.

## 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.



## INSTITUTE OF COGNITIVE NEUROSCIENCE

Interested?



Scan the barcode above OR email hana.faez.22@ucl.ac.uk



This study has been approved by the University College London ethics committee (ethics@ucl.ac.uk)

## Opportunity to participate in research

We want to understand how noisy and social environments make autistic children feel and how this may impact on their wellbeing.

## We are looking for: neurotypical children aged 5 to 8 years and autistic children aged 5 years and above

to play some games with their parent or caregiver, with and without background sounds, whilst wearing a watch which measures body responses.

Parents will also take part in an interview and some questionnaires to help us understand their child's behaviour on a day-to-day basis.

## Where will the study take place?

The study session will take place in the comfort of your own home with a researcher present over video-link.



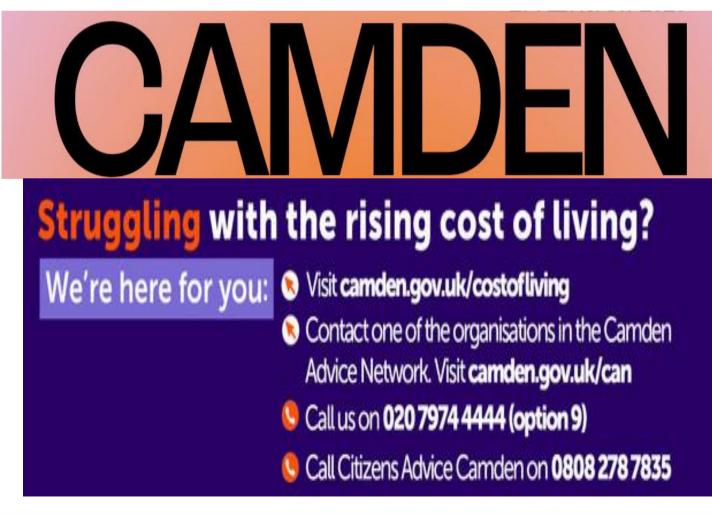
Dr Sarah White



Dr Katherine Ellis



Hana Ahmad Faez



## 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 so 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 time please email jenny.mulholland@camden.gov.uk or call 020 7974 2792 to arrange a me.

## **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 Nurserv TRA Hall, The Aspern Centre 1 Christie Court, 3 Aspern Grove NW3 2AB. 4pm to 5pm

## 4th Thursday of the month

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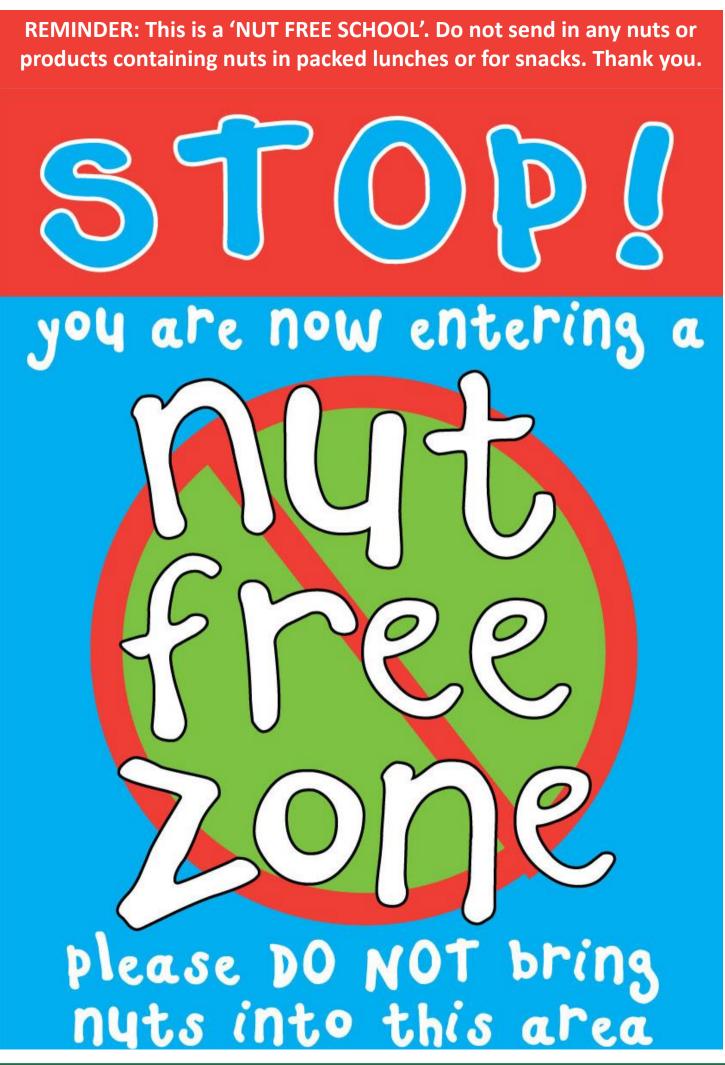
Please note there are no surgeries in August. If you wish to have a phone, teams or zoom appointment with the Councillor please email the Councillor or call Members Support to have this arranged.

## In writing

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

Gospel Oak







## **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

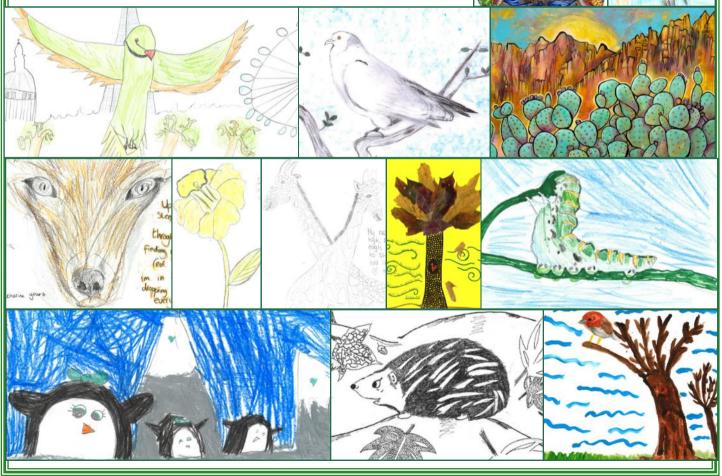
This week in assembly we introduced to the children this years theme for our annual Fleet Calendar Art Competition. The school's Rights Respecting Ambassadors helped to come up with the ideas.

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!







Interested in working with a fantastic team at an Outstanding, child centred, local nursery? This is initially a term time only, flexible hours post, but with the potential to become a more permanent role - An ideal introduction to working in Early Years!

Our twice Ofsted Outstanding nursery,named one of UK's best, is looking for a wonderful person to join our team. The applicant should be interested to learn how children learn through play and be able to respond sensitively, fostering children's learning and development. They should be nurturing and caring, and interested in creating a stimulating educational environment.

Enthusiasm and a desire to learn are essential, qualifications desirable but not essential for this role, we can support applicants to embark on relevant study.

We are located in Hampstead, NW3, 5 minutes walk from the Royal Free Hospital. This is **a school term-time only position**. If you are interested in applying then to find out more please email the nursery manager directly at amelia@pussinbootsnursery.co.uk.

Closing Date for Applications is June 25th. Start date is as soon as possible but we are prepared to wait for the right candidate. Please note that at the moment this role is for a cover member of staff - we can be flexible with start and end times so may suit someone with childcare responsibilities.

Please note that at Puss In Boots we take Safeguarding responsibilities very seriously. Any job offer will be conditional on receiving a check from the Disclosure and Barring Services, and references will be checked.





A series of intervi ring some of your children's household name

Hosted by Riyadh Khalaf' and feat authors, mus talking about their lives and careers, the 75 minute shows will include a QBA and ending on the guest, perhaps book-reading, maybe some songs an definitely a whole lot of fun.

Stars will be announced online as they are ned so check egularly and be the first to book



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On a grassy hill, in the middle of the countryside,

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## 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 so you can make a day of it.

Perform in the Park sted by Perform – the UK's leading provider of drama, dance and singing ops for 4-12 year olds across the UK. Classes focus or

PERFORM Perform for FRFF by visiting perform.org.uk/try

## **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 picnics. The adventure play area has a zip wire, a witch's hat swing and one of the largest slides in town. And, with two sandpits and a paddling pool, you may want to pack swirn gear 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 CAFÉ

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

## GETTING THERE

Address Coram's Fields, 93 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1DN Nearest tubes: Russell Square, Kings Cross St Pancras, Holborn & Chancery Lane. Nearest buses: 17, 45, 6 46 a Gray's Inn Road or the 7, 59, 68, 91, 168 6 188 at Russell Squ The auditorium opens 30 minutes before the start of each performance.

ACCESSIBILITY

There is step-free access to the auditorium as well as step-free 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**

2023 with shows from 10.30am to 7.30pm the full performance schedule and book, visit

s are subject to the Coram's Field

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#### 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



**MAGICAL CHILDREN'S THEATRE** 

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THE THREE BILLY GOATS GRUFF

**ELEPHANT & PIGGIE** 

**MERMAIDS & PIRATES** 

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### A Midsummer Night's Dream rebooted for a new generation

Social media has gone mad for the starstudded engagement of footballer Theseus and his fashion influencer fiancee, Hippolyta But, when billionaire media mogul Oberon goes up against Titania for the streaming rights to the wedding, a quartet of young celebr get caught up in his schemes.

The Dream is a one-hour musical filled with infectious songs, exuberant dancing and hilarious dialogue.





### 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 Floppy Floory" 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

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# GIVE RUGBY A GOL REGENTS PARK ROYALS RUGBY OPEN WEEKEND SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE



Taking place in Regents Park from 10am close to The Hub Cafe. Everyone aged 4-18 welcome.



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## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about **VIRTUAL FREEDOS** Atticid Intelligence - particularly in terms of how it generates natural language - has seen significant



Artificial intelligence – particularly in terms of how it generates natural language – has seen significant development over the last six months, with companies releasing new AI-based software or adding an AI element to existing apps (such as Snapchat, for example). One form of AI to become especially popular has been the 'AI friend' or chatbot, as children eagerly experiment with these new-found computer-generated companions. There are now numerous apps available with this 'virtual friend' functionality, with the likelihood of it being added to other successful platforms soon.

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## CONTENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

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Al chatbots may not always be able to recognise when content is age inappropriate or harmful and should be filtered out. So there's a possibility that children could be exposed to offensive language or explicit material while conversing with their virtual friend. The companies producing such Al solutions are also unlikely to take responsibility for any content that their algorithms generate.

## REDUCED SOCIAL CONTACT

An excessive reliance on chatbots for social interaction could potentially cause a child to begin reducing the amount of face-to-face communication they have, leading to social isolation. If young people become dependent on chatbots to provide companionship, it could very likely hinder the development of their real-life social skills.



Chatbot software isn't always sophisticated enough to pick up on subtle emotional cues or recognise signs of distress in children, as most humans would. It might therefore fail to respond appropriately. Al misinterpreting what it's being told or replying insensitively to a young user who's already struggling could potentially impact a child's emotional wellbeing or exacerbate any existing emotional issues.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

CREATE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

## CHAT ABOUT CHATBOTS

If your child is already expressing an interest in Ai apps, a relaxed, natural chat should help you to discover which ones they're aware of and how they're using them (or are planning to). Discuss these options with your child and perhaps do your own research to ensure you think they're suitable. Once you're totally happy, you cauld sit with your young one and begin exploring Al chatbots together.

## TAKE CONTROL

As with any form of app or game, when it comes to AI chatbots we'd strongly recommend that you consider employing parental controls (either on the device being used or within the software itself) to manage which apps your child can download and use. This is particularly important for younger children, who may be more at risk of being upset or frightened by inappropriate content.

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## Meet Our Expert

A Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Gary Henderson is the Director of IT at a large boarding school in the UK, having previously taught in schools and colleges in Bitain and the Middle East. With a particular Interest in digital citizenship and cyber security, he believes it is essential that we become more aware of the risks around locknology, as well as the benefits.

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UNINTENTIONAL BIAS

Al companions are only as reliable as the information they've been programmed with. The algorithms they use, therefore, may unintentionally promote blas, stereotypes or discriminatory behaviour (as many originate from the USA or the UK, for instance, they can display a distinctly western-centric worldview). This could lead to children developing skewed attitudes and behaviours.

## COGNITIVE LIMITATIONS

Although many are now undeniably advanced. Al-powered chatbots still have limitations in terms of understanding complex concepts, context and nuance. Depending heavily on chatbots to help with learning or solving problems may stunt the development of a child's own powers of critical thinking, creativity and ability to engage in open-ended discussions with other people.

### PRIVACY CONCERNS

Chatbats typically collect data about users, including personal information and conversations. This is estensibly to improve their performance as they gradually learn about our behaviour – but many experts are warning that there may be significant risks associated with how this information is stored and used (the possibility of potential breaches or misuse by third parties, for

FIND A BALANCE

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> Vork alongside your child to establish the right balance in terms of how they might use AI-powered shatbots – and when it's appropriate. It's important o make sure that children are still getting plenty of opportunities to learn to solve problems for hemselves, as well as building their interpersonal kills through face-to-face conversations with friends amily members and taachers.

## RECOGNISE THE RISKS

's unlikely that most children will have even considered the otential risks attached to having a virtual companion. So it's robably wise to explain some of the possible hazards and challenges f Al chatbats to your child. In particular, emphasise that Al isn't a real erson (however much it might sound like one) and may occasionally all them something that isn't entirely impartial or accurate.



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## 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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## 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



## 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)







## 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

## Reducing Parental Conflict streng Online Course

For parents and other adult carers living together or apart

## strengthening families strengthening communities

- Do you want to get some new ideas to help you be an even better parent?
- Would you like to reduce the arguments and disagreements in your family and cope better with stress?
- Would you like to enhance your relationship with your current partner, or improve communication with your ex or the other people helping to raise your children?
- How about learning at a time that suits you?

6 online sessions

6 group discussions

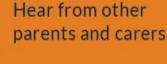
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Certificate on completion

Information on strategies to identify and reduce conflict



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Downloadable worksheets and handouts



Videos, quizzes and interactive activities



Do sessions at a time that works for you



Weekly support from our course experts

Camden parents can claim their free place by contacting Eleni with a contact email and number: eleni.sfsc@racefound.org.uk

## **TOPICS COVERED**

- Healthy adult relationships
- Identifying and managing conflict
- Understanding how conflict affects your children
- Enhancing parent-child relationships
- Managing stress, anger and emotions
- Strategies to resolve conflict and create a parenting agreement

## **GROUP DISCUSSION**

- Speak to a course expert and get answers to some of the questions you might have
- Talk about how the strategies are going at home and how to adjust them for you
- Address other difficulties relating to your relationships
- Hear from others about what works for them

Find out more or register for the course:

sfscparent@racefound.org.uk www.strengthening-families.net

## 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.

### Contact us today

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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



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

# 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)



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://

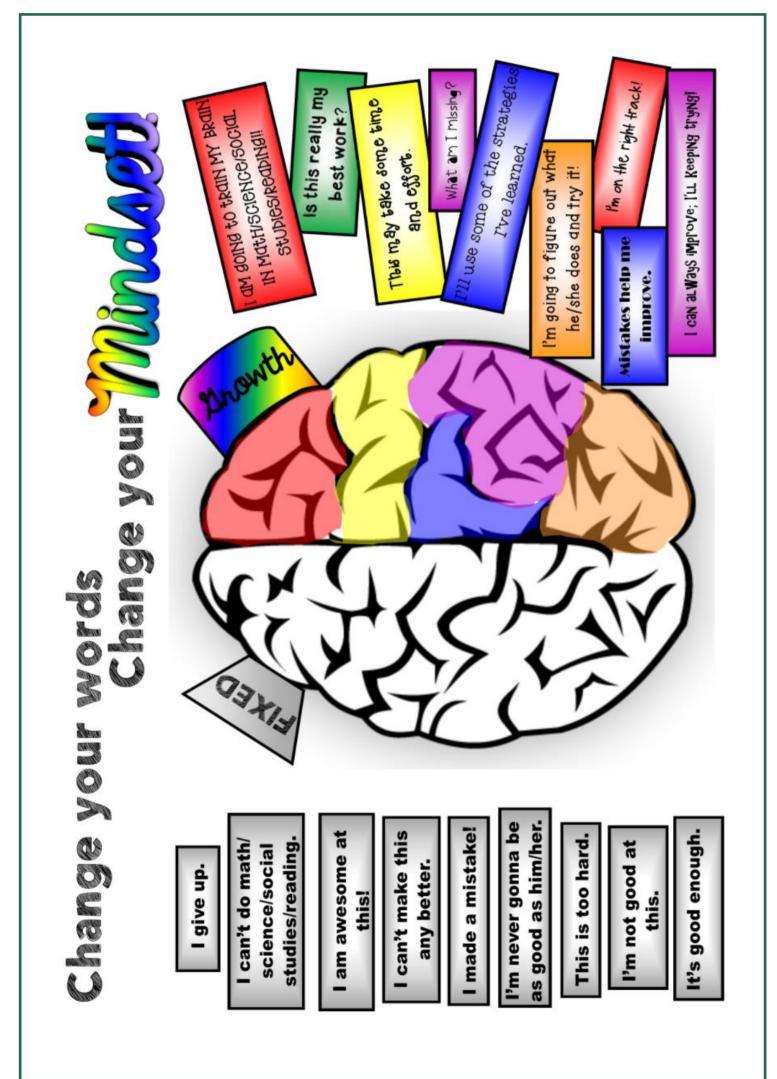
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Do you have any used printer cartridges lying around at home? Send them into the school office!

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





## 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.

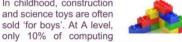


#### Why are they bad for everyone?

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

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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>Foys:</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 ca 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>
	Are girls wearing clothes or shoes which are more delicate – which	<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>



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

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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.

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 vour family best.



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