Friday 15th September 2023



Message from the head: This week I welcomed Andy George (Director of Learning) and Stephen Hall (CEO) from Camden Learning for our annual start of the year meeting. It was great sharing with them the successes from last year and discussing with them the targets we have identified for this coming year. The children and staff achieved so much last year and we were very proud of them, culminating in the fantastic end of key stage 2 results from last year's Year 6 class. During our discussions we talked a lot about attendance and the challenges faced last year as a result of the high levels of absence experienced by many children. We hope this year, with children another year on from the pandemic and the lockdowns, that resilience will be improving and we can back up to the high levels of attendance we previously achieved (we had the 3 best attendance in Camden in 21/22!). With improved attendance will come even better attainment for the children. As I walked round the school with Andy he commented on how clear the teachers were with their instructions and how calm the children were and focussed on their learning. It's great when we get to show off our fantastic children to people from outside school! Our successes are part of a team effort—the children, the school staff, and you the families. Thanks to all of you who were able to attend the curriculum meetings this week. Hopefully all the questions you might have had for the academic year ahead were able to be answered. You should have, since the meeting, received a copy of the curriculum letter and topic snapshot via ParentHub. Please do support your child as they work through the topic with remembering the key facts on the snapshot. Have a great weekend see you all on Monday.

London Fire Brigade

This week year 2 and year 5 were visited by the London Fire Brigade for a workshop on Fire Safety. Through the discussions and questions many children asked about safety in their homes and some expressed not having prevention items such as smoke alarms. We would recommend all families to visit the LFB website and complete their online Home Fire Safe ty Checker and complete the survey to see what support you may need and is available to ensure all homes are fire safe.

https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/the-home/home-fire-safety/home -fire-safety-checker-hfsc/

Clubs

Clubs got off to a good start this week. There are limited places available in some clubs so if you didn't manage to get your club request in on time it's not too late to sign up for some. Please do contact the office who can advice what spaces/clubs are available.

Request for Leave during the School Term

Request for leave for holidays/travel abroad will not be authorised by the School. As you are aware, leave will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. The half term week this term is Monday 23rd—Friday 27th October. The last day of this term is Thursday 21st December and the children return on Tuesday 9th January. Please ensure that you book any holidays within these date ranges. Please note that, Under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996, the Camden Education Welfare Service may issue a Penalty Notice/s for absence during the school term.

Lunch Menu: 18th-22nd June

Meat Free Monday:

Vegetarian: Macaroni Cheese or Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Sweetcorn & Cabbage Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Tuesday

Meat/Halal: Chicken Korma Vegetarian: Veg & Apricot Tagine **Rice or Cous Cous Roasted Vegetables** Peach Cake & Custard

Wednesday

Meat/Halal: Roast Chicken & Stuffing Vegetarian: Veg Wellington Roasted or New Potatoes & Gravv Carrots & Green Beans Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Thursday

Meat/Halal: Beef Bolognaise Vegetarian: Veg Bolognaise Garlic Bread Cauliflower & Broccoli Apple Flapjack

Friday

Meat/Halal: Fish Fingers Vegetarian: Bean & Lentil Patty Chips or Cous Cous **Tomato Sauce** Baked Beans & Peas Yoghurt & Fruit

Available Daily

Freshly Cooked Jacket Potato Freshly Baked Bread

Please remember to let the office know if you want your child to change to or from school lunches so you are charged correctly

Support Tom and Louise!

Congratulations to Louise and Tom who successfully completed the Great North Run last week. If you would like to sponsor them to help raise money for a very good cause it's not too late. Many of you will know Tom and Louise (parents to Mickey—Y5 and Isabella—former pupil). Both have been, and continue to be, amazing supporters of the school.



https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/louisethomas-looney1?checkoutMode=Headless

Topic Letters and Snapshots

Big thankyou to all of you able to come to this week's curriculum meetings for Years 1-6. We sent out the Curriculum Letter and Curriculum Snapshots the day after each meeting so all should have received—if you didn't get via ParentHub/Text please contact the office. A paper copy of the Snapshot was also sent home with your children (check their bags!). We recommend putting this up somewhere—maybe on the fridge. This contains all the key factual knowledge the children will be learning as they work through their topic. It will be referred to frequently in class. Please do help them to learn and remember the facts on it. Both the letter and the snapshot are also available on our website: https://www.fleet.camden.sch.uk/learning/curriculum/topicoverviews

Punctuality Award

There were 21 lates this week—while a big improvement on last years average this is still too many.

Thanks to the vast majority of you who arrive everyday on timewe have been really impressed by the positive start to this year but know we can do even better. Well done to Year 2—this week's winners with only 1 late. Remember children should be in class ready to learn at 9am—not coming through the gate then.

Attendance Award

This week our overall attendance is 94.6% - slightly below our target of 96%. Two classes achieved this target—Years 3 and 4. Year 3 were this week's winners with 98.5% while year 3 had 96.8%. Year 2 came close with 95.4%

Attendance makes such a difference to school success and getting off to a good start to the year and forming those habits early is really important. Please support your children to be resilient and come to school everyday. Thanks to the many children this week with 100% attendance—there is 164 out of 202 of you so far! Lets try to be above 96% for the whole school next week.



Well done to these children who have been chosen by their class teachers to be the 'Star of the Week' - Well done to all these children, and to all the rest who might not have been picked this week but could have been.







Reception

For a fantastic start to the year! It has been great seeing you try new things each day and make new friendships. I'm very excited for the year to come with you in Reception.

Year 1

For being such a fun, kind and hard working member of our Year One team. Your positivity has helped you build lots of strong friendships and make great progress in your learning. What a superstar!















Year 2

For your brilliant attitude this week. You come in every day determined to do your best and always work so hard. Your attitude is fantastic and I loved your London poem! Well done!

Year 3

What an incredible start to the term you have had Tallulah! You try your absolute hardest in lessons and have such a positive attitude to learning! You always listen attentively and make good choices. Keep being brilliant!

Year 4

For your amazing attitude! Your keenness and enthusiasm is a joy to teach, and you are constantly striving to do your best! Keep it up! Well done, superstar!















Year 5

For the focus and hard work you have put into your English this week. I was impressed with your brilliant piece of writing on Viking Warriors and how confidently you read it out to the class. Well done!

Year 6

I've been so impressed by your attitude and focus during lessons. Your river poem was great! Keep it up.

Term Dates for 2023-24

AUTUMN TERM

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

SPRING TERM

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

SUMMER TERM

| First day of term | t day of term Tuesday 16 th April 2024 | |
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| May Day Bank Holiday Monday 6 th May 2024 - school closed | | |
| Half term (inclusive) | Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May 2024 | |

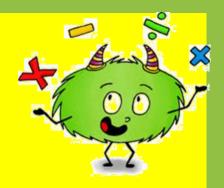
STAFF INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED

| | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term |
|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 st half term | Monday 4 th and Tuesday 5 th September 2023 | Monday 8 th January 2024 | Monday 15 th April 2024 |
| 2 nd half term | | | Monday 10 th 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.

Fleet Facts?

Well done to all these children who have passed their Fleet Facts test this week!



Year 3: Inaaya

Year 4: Kimberley, Robyn, Lira, Aisha, Thaddeus,

Denys, Ayman, Abida, Humayra, Shivi, Amina,

Mason, Angelo, Alfie, Lola, Leo, Mo, Frankie

Year 5: Lottie, Noah, Arafat, Jake Sidoli, Shajai, Jarod, Jake Sullivan, Samaarah, Lashanty, Layan, Daniel, Okpe, Yacub, Mickey, Lena, Mia, Lorik, Ursula.

Times Tables Rock Stars of the Term!

Well done to these children who earned the most coins in their class on Times Tables Rock Stars this week!

Year 4: Rocco—988 coins!

Year 5: Jarod—6,720 coins!

Year 6: Ena-7,850 coins!

Dates for your clary this term.

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 | | | |
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| 29th September | Head Teachers Coffee Afternoon in the hall for parents—3.30pm | | |
| 29th September | Camden Schools Cross Country Competition @ Heath—selected children | | |
| 2nd October | Nur-Rec-Y1-Y2—Flouride Varnish (letter will be sent for consent) | | |
| 11th October | KS1 and KS2 Open Morning for Parents 9-9.30am—reading focus | | |
| 19th October | Parent Workshop—Resilience @ 9am-10am | | |
| 23rd-27th October | Half Term Week—School Closed | | |
| 7th November | Institute of Imagination Workshops—KS1 & KS2 | | |
| 13th November | Anti-bullying week | | |
| 29th & 30th November | Parent—Teacher Meetings after school for KS1 & KS2 | | |
| 15th December | Christmas Lunch | | |
| 19th December | Infant Class Christmas Parties | | |
| 20th December | Junior Class Christmas Parties & Junior Talent Show | | |
| 21st December | Last Day of Term—finish at 2pm | | |
| Parents Association Events | | | |
| Wed 1st Nov | Halloween Disco | | |
| Sat 2nd Dec | Winter Fair | | |
| Thur 25th April | International Food Evening | | |
| Sat 6th July | Summer Fair | | |

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| 27th September | Heath Walk—changed date! | |
| 6th October | Trip to London Zoo | |
| 10th November | Parents Stay and Play Session | |
| 16th November | Heath Walk | |
| 17th November | Parent Run Class Tea | |
| 1st December | Trip to theatre | |
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| 8th December | Infant Christmas Show—10am | |
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| YEAR 1 2023 21st September 19th October 10th November | -24 Heath Walk CLC Trip Parent Run Class Tea | |

NURSERY 2023-24

RECEPTION 2023-24

1st December 8th December 13th December

18th, 21st & 26th September Parent Run Class Tea

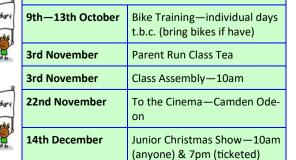
Parent Meetings after school

Trip to theatre

| YEAR 4 2023-24 | | YEAR 5 2023-24 | |
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| 27th September | Dodgeball comp @ Talacre | 2nd October | Building Centre workshop trip |
| | after school | 13th October | Parent Run Tea Sale |
| 11th October | London Miratheum | 13th October | Class Assembly—10am |
| 20th October | Parent Run Class Tea | | , |
| 20th October | Class Assembly—10am | 16th—20th Oct | Sayers Croft Residential |
| | Class Assembly—Idam | 30th Oct—3rd | Bike Training (optional—15 chn) |
| 30th Oct—3rd Nov | Swimming—everyday | Nov | |
| 21st Nov | Cinema—Camden Odeon | 15th Nov | To the Cinema—Camden Odeon |
| 24th Nov | Trip to the CLC | 14th | Junior Christmas Show—10am |
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| YEAR 2 2023-24 | | |
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| 14th September | Fire Safety Workshop | |
| 5th October | Trip to Kyoto Garden | |
| 9th—13th October | Bike Training—individual days t.b.c. (bring bikes if have) | |
| 31st October | Trip to October Gallery | |
| 17th November | Trip to the CLC | |
| 8th December | Parent Run Class Tea | |
| 8th December | Infant Christmas Show—10am | |
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| YEAR 6 2023-2 | 24 | |
| 20th September | Trip to V&A Museum | Ì |
| 27th September | Trip to British Museum | |
| 6th October | Parent Run Class Tea | 4 |
| 16th—20th October | Bike Training (optional—15 places available) | 5 |
| 2nd November | Trip to Science Museum | |
| 21st November | Trip to Hackney Empire (back late—around 4pm) | l |
| 14th December | Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed) | 4 |
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YEAR 3 2023-24

A busy week with visitors in for workshops on Basketball (Y5 & Y6—thanks coach Ed from William Ellis) and Fire Safety (Y2 & Y5). We had a really successful 'Art Day' last Friday with each class doing some beautiful art including clay work, work with dyes, painting, drawing and modelling. Classes have been busy with writing—some great poems and letters being produced and maths work has got off to a great start too with a lot of maths. Topic is going well too (special mention for the Year 6s who made amazing Iraqi food—Mr McGibbon very much enjoyed them sharing it with him—was perfect with his mint tea! The class topic displays are taking shape and the new topic displays due to go up today after school in the admin block corridor. Do come and see them on Monday!



























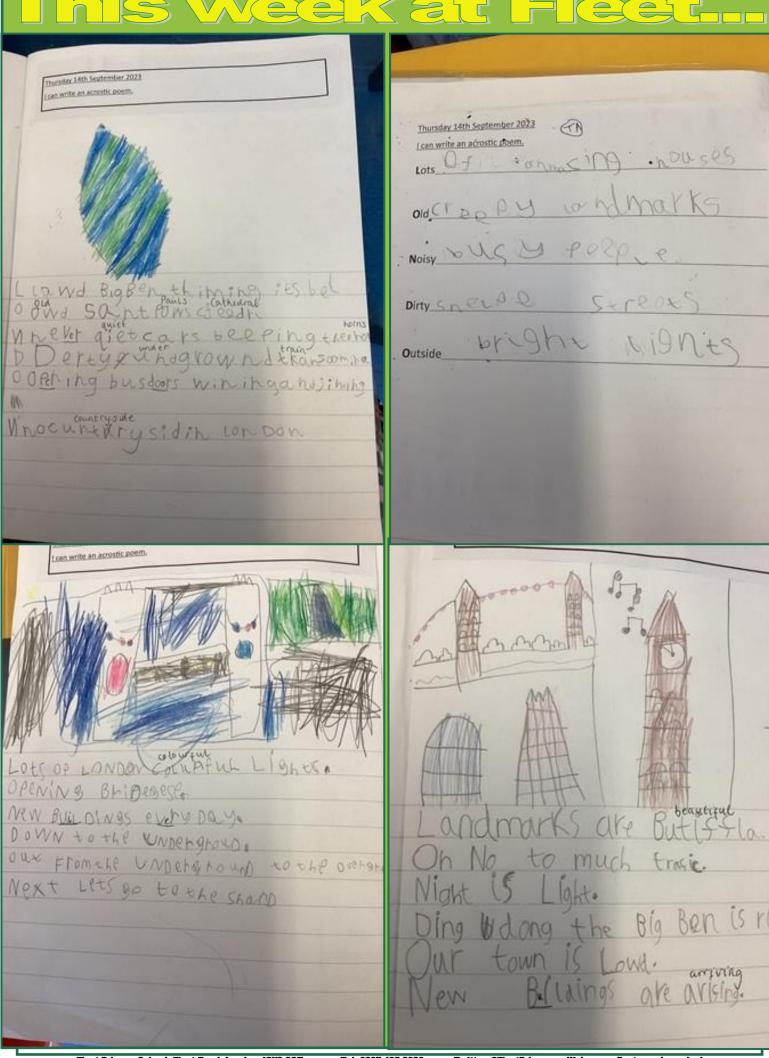


















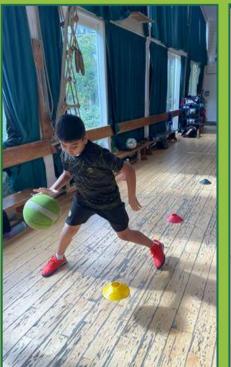












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