

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16th September 2022

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PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Welcome Back

It was lovely to welcome you all back at the beginning of our new school year. Our new families and members of staff have all settled in well and we have had a productive start to the term. We are looking forward to many of you visiting your child's new classrooms at our open mornings a little later this half term. If you haven't already had one, a letter letting you know the date for this visit will go out shortly. We understand some of you may not be able to come because of work commitments but it would be helpful for planning the sessions if you could *all* return the slip attached to the letter.

## School Dinner Choices

Thank you to everyone who has returned the school dinner choices form to us. Please remember to stick to the choice you have made for the whole term. If this *needs* to change we would ask you to come in to the office and fill in another form so that we can make the change on the system. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



This week our thoughts have been with the Royal Family following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We have been looking at her long service as our Queen and the remarkable work she has done. Our thoughts and prayers are with King Charles III and his family at this time.

**The school will be closed on Monday 19th September 2022 for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.**

**We will reopen on Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 8.45am.**

## Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting

**Wednesday 12th October**

**3:45pm in the Upper Hall**

Just a reminder to all parents/guardians of children in Year 6 that this is the time to be visiting secondary schools and looking through the online booklet on the Camden admissions website so that you can make your secondary school choices for your children.

Please make sure that you visit the website at [www.camden.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.camden.gov.uk/admissions) to register. Please note that you must have a **current, functioning email address** in order to register for any account. After creating the account you must keep the username and password safe as this will be needed to complete your application. If you have an older child and have already completed an online application, you should already have a username and a password to use for your new application.

If you are not able to make the application online we will be able to help you at the meeting on Wednesday 12th October but you must have registered and bring your username and password with you.

# Camden Mobile Health

Are you aged 30-70? Come and visit us for a free diabetes risk check, information and advice, no appointment needed

We will be open at the below locations 12pm - 4pm

Bus location	Date
Within the grounds of Amptill Square Estate NW1 2JR	Wednesday 7th September 2022
St Pancras Estate, Agar Grove, St Pancras Way Corner NW1 9EH	Tuesday 13th September 2022
Within the grounds of Three Fields Estate, off Arlington Road, in front of Fairfield Estate NW1 7LE	Wednesday 14th September 2022
Queen's Crescent Community Association car park (accessed via Ashdown Crescent), NW5 4QE	Saturday 17th September 2022
Chalton Street Market, Chalton Street NW1 1JH	Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st September 2022
Swiss Cottage Market, Eton Avenue NW3 3EU	Tuesday 27th and Friday 30th September 2022

# Term Dates

MAKE SURE ALL HOLIDAYS OR JOURNEYS ABROAD ARE BOOKED IN SCHOOL HOLIDAY TIME. HOLIDAY LEAVE DURING TERM TIME WILL NOT BE GRANTED.  
2022 – 2023 Academic Year

## AUTUMN TERM 2022

**Half Term** Mon 24th to Fri 28th Oct  
**Children return** Mon 31st October  
**Last day of term** Friday 16th December

## SPRING TERM 2023

**Staff INSET Day** Tuesday 3rd January  
**Children Return** Wednesday 4th January  
**Half Term** Mon 13th to Fri 17th Feb  
**Children return** Monday 20th February  
**Last day of term** Friday 31st March

## SUMMER TERM 2023

**Staff INSET Day** Monday 17th April  
**Children Return** Tuesday 18th April  
**May Day Bank Holiday** Monday 1st May  
**Half Term** Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd Jun  
**Children Return** Monday 5th June  
**Staff INSET Day** Monday 12th June  
**Last day of term** Friday 21st July

## COVID-19 COMMUNITY VACCINATION SERVICE



## Staying Healthy This Winter

Camden are offering a free diabetes risk check, at various locations.

They are also offering Covid-19 Booster Vaccinations to people aged over 50 and other eligible groups. Please see the list below to check if you are in one of the eligible groups.

The above information is available on our website page.

## Attendance

It is very important for your children to be at school every day on time to make the most of their education. Absence from school has a direct link to lack of progress in learning. It also causes disruption to other pupils when children return having missed part of their learning. Please support the school by making sure your child has excellent attendance and punctuality. Please note, holidays in term time will not be authorised.

## Maths Champion Badges

As we start the new academic year, it is great to see so many children challenging themselves to get their **Maths Champion** badges. These badges are awarded to pupils for knowing all number bonds and times tables by heart so that they can recall them quickly. Being fluent with these number facts will really help your child to make good progress in Maths.

Once children have been nominated for a badge, they will sit a test that needs to be completed within a certain time to show that they know them really well. It takes lots of effort and extra practice at home and we hope you will support your child to learn the facts they need to know.

	For knowing all number bonds to 10
	For knowing all number bonds to 20
	For knowing the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables
	For knowing the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 times tables
	For knowing the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 multiplication tables

Well done to our first pupils to earn 1 Star Badges this term. Congratulations go to:

Ajdin Hajric, Anayah Ahmed, Haider Karim, Rhys Vagadia, Safiyyah Rahman, Yusuf Mohammed

