

# The Camelot

# Monthly Newsletter No. 18 June One



# **Home-School Communication Help?**

The school is currently communicating about school events in the following ways:

- via our website at www.camelotprimaryschool.co.uk—all these newsletters are uploaded to our websites as well as other important information for parents
- via Twitter or Instagram at @CamelotSE15
- via texts sent regarding urgent communication sent from the school number or directly from staff such as Mr Robinson (07944 720606); Miss Lou, Learning Mentor(07931 643339) or Miss Wilkinson, Family Support (07957 426125)
- via copies of letters given to pupils at the end of the school day
- via noticeboards in the playground—if you see a noticeboard displayed it is likely that the message is important
- via word of mouth from staff in the playground or the office

We are always willing to take on suggestions about other ways to communicate or whether one of the above ways is preferable. We look forward to your feedback and next week's annual parent survey will be an excellent way to do this. Thank you

# **Next Term—This Term**

For next term all children in school will need the following:

- School PE Kits (blue or white t shirts and blue shorts). The school uniform provider will be running a pop up shop over the next few weeks as well as in the first few weeks of next year. No child will be allowed to be involved in PE lessons or clubs without appropriate PE kits. The school will have second hand blue or white t shirts and shorts for any child not bringing in the right kit. We have to be ready for PE in the approved school uniform items
- School Book Bags—from September 2017 every child will need to bring their school book bag to school every day for our daily reading sessions as well as for our Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) sessions. These book bags will be sold like the PE kits above via our uniform provider or via our office staff team
- to be <u>on time every day</u> otherwise they will be required to attend daily punctuality detention linked to where a child is persistently late for school. The school gates open at 8.45 a.m. and the pips go at 8.55 a.m. with the school gates closing at 9.00 a.m. There can be no excuse for being late for learning.

Rather than it be next term, why not get ready and ensure all three non-negotiables for your child attending our school are in place for This Term. Thank you

# Three key events for all Parents/Carers—Summer 2017

Thursday 6th July Camelot School Sports Day at Burgess Park Caged Area.

All families welcome to support children in races and events.

9.30 a.m. – 12.00 noon.

Friday 7th July Camelot School Summer Fair 3.30—5.30 p.m.

Please show your support to our new Parents and Teacher Association (PTA) as it takes on board the desire to relaunch our summer fair as well as other events that bring something extra for our children

Thursday 13th July – End of year showcasing evening 3.30—6.30 p.m.

This will be an opportunity for parents/carers to see their children's work in class, thank the class teacher and collect your child's annual report

# In addition, Miss Wilkinson has arranged three 'free' and targeted support programmes for Parents and Carers

## 1. Parents Literacy Course

Focus: Helping your child with their English

Starting Monday 19th June and every Monday for five weeks to Monday 17th July (9.15—11.15 a.m.)

# 2. Parents Numeracy Course

Focus: Helping your child with their Maths

Starting Thursday 22nd June and every Thursday for five weeks to Thursday 20th July (1.00—3.00 p.m.)

# 3. Improving your communication skills

Workshops working with International Company, KPMG.

# Learn how to be a more effective communicator Useful for; interviews, appointments, all conversations Friday 30th June 2017

Fun sessions based at the school. You can choose between; a 9:00-10:30am or 2:00-3:10pm session (please book through the school office or speak to Miss Wilkinson)

# #exceptionaleveryday

### Ramadan 2017

Ramadan is celebrated by people of Muslim faith around the world

We remind parents/carers that during Ramadan, fasting is expected practice for adults but every year we have children who would also like to fast.

After receiving advice we have agreed that we only allow fasting while at school for religious reasons in Year 6 and only with written consent from the parents/carers.

We are pleased to confirm that many of our parents/ carers are keen for our whole school to share in the forthcoming Eid ul Fitr celebrations.

We look forward to all staff, pupils and parents sharing in the celebrations of this festival



## **Key dates for Term 6**

Friday 23rd – Sunday 25th June – Year Six end of school residential trip to Kingswood Centre,

Sunday 25th or Monday 26th June - End of Ramadan, Eid UI -Fitr

(Please note families celebrating Eid may take one authorisable day of absence from school for religious observance. Please work with the school on this permission)

Monday 3rd July—Yr 4 children performing at the Southwark Splash at the Royal festival Hall—evening

**Thursday 6th - Camelot School Sports Day at Burgess Park** All families welcome to support children in races and events. 9.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon

Friday 7th July - Camelot School Summer Fair 3.30 p.m.

Thursday 13th July – End of Year Showcasing Evening **Thursday 20th July**—Last day of term ending at 12.45 p.m.



The Baby Bank is a collection of good quality new and second hand baby items donated by parents who no longer use them. We sort and distribute the items to families in need in order to help with the costs of having a baby.



#### Camberwell Salvation Army

105 Lomond Grove Camberwell SE5 7HG

For any inquiries please call

07817489982

To benefit from The Baby Bank, come along on Tuesday,

Wednesday or Friday mornings, 9:30-12:30.

Donations of good quality baby items will be gratefully received! We are collecting

- Baby clothes (Newborn-24 months)
- Moses baskets
- Cots
- Prams & Pushchairs
- High chairs
- Baby bouncers and Toys
- Baby blankets and Bedding
- Nappy Bags
- Nappies (Newborn size 6)
- Baby Wipes

Donations can be dropped off on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday mornings, 9:30 -12:30, or Wednesday 18:00 - 19:00.

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# **Pupil Voice – June 2017**

Foci: writing across curriculum subjects, embedding grammar/ extended writing opportunities.

#### **Opening question:**

#### Can you explain the differences between last year and this year in curriculum subjects?

We didn't have curriculum. We had topic and science. Topic was about King Henry and the Tudors but we only did topic in our spare time.

I like it more now because we learn more like this term we are learning about our school and we will know more. The curriculum is better that the curriculum last year by a lot.

We weren't allowed to do experiments in year 3. Things have improved. Definitely.

We get more involved and like it feels like you are there in History. My teacher makes it educational but also fun. In Year 4 you didn't feel responsible but in Year 5 you have to be responsible.

In Year 2 we did investigations but we just wrote about them but now we think about them and think what will happen next.

#### **Additional questions:**

#### How do you know how to improve as a learner?

Sometimes we read our steps to success and if we need to work on one thing we go back.

To improve you always get stuff wrong but after you check back through your work.

You learn from making mistakes

#### How much have you been inspired to work on your learning at school this year?

Maths! Because the first time we started fractions I didn't understand but now I do . . . don't give up . . . My teachers inspired me.

My teacher puts on Maths raps and that helps me . . . now I understand.

My teachers have helped me learn more which has allowed me to be more confident to learn new things.

#### What do you find interesting and exciting about your lessons?

When we are doing experiments and when we wear the lab coats and wear goggles.

Everything! My favourite thing is History. It's like a blast from the past. We get to go out of class and experiment with different things. Like now we are learning about King Arthur.

When we see something that we have seen before we get excited and it helps us to learn more.

Because we do science and the experiments we do like melting chocolate and making electric circuits. Sometimes we need to do it so we can record them.

#### How does your feedback help you improve as a learner / mathematician / writer?

My class doesn't usually get steps to success

I find them useful. It's like the page is talking to you and if they say I can do . . then you can tick it.

Sometimes I find them useful because one day in curriculum I looked at them and practised at home and then the next day they were similar so I could achieve them.

It gives you more information and makes me go back to my work and see . . .

#### How do you feel challenged by the work that you are given in your lessons?

I feel challenged because the challenge in the steps to success when you finish your work. If you finish you get an extension.

#### Do you always understand your task in your lessons?

When we don't understand you ask the teacher or if they are busy you ask your friend It depends on the activity . . . in this one I got quite a lot right but there is always something I get wrong.

#### What would you like to see improved at Camelot to help you with your learning?

Nothing. Everything is perfect.

More experiments (lots of children said this).

More trips & More Art.

Our teacher would tell us about what we are learning about we could guess what would happen and then as we learn we can correct it.