



The Camelot

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Some Good News and Bad News to finish off the month

Mr Robinson always likes the bad news first (if some good news is following!):

The laptops for children pot has run dry! At this time, we will aim to support all Year 3 to Year 6 to have a working laptop for accessing online learning and homework but the issues with failing laptops is now a key challenge to the school. If your child's existing laptop fails we can no longer replace it and we continue not to be able to provide additional chargers (we ask parents/carers to purchase these).

and now the Good News!

Camelot School have been given a charitable donation to support parents/carers with the financial cost of uniform at this time. If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium support or No Recourse to Public Fund support; is in Year 2 to Year 6 then you may be able to receive this support. Every month, the school will present individual cases to the panel who will consider requests. If your application is successful, the school will arrange with our Uniform shop in Peckham to subsidy your uniform purchases. Please note, the panel will meet monthly so if your application is not successful in the first month it will be re-considered. To apply, please inform the school office or Miss Wilkinson.

Please remember, the current plan is if we are successful with our bid for Winter CHAMPS 2022 that all Yr 3—6 children attending will be provided with a new school PE tracksuit to support with such costs at this time.

Parents Evening—Autumn Term 2022

Thank you to those parents/carers who met with their child's class teacher and visited the classrooms. If you were unable to attend last week and would like to meet with your child's teacher please speak to Miss Wilkinson and she will try and arrange for an alternative time.

Please remember, Camelot School is a huge supporter of sharing the news that the Parent/Carer is the King or Queen (especially for encouraging and enjoying reading) and the class teachers are like members of your Royal Household!

Women in Sport Week (& comment re Black History Month)

We are pleased to inform you that October not only starts with a special Women in Sport week but there are lots of trips and events planned for the Camelot children across the month ahead. At Camelot School, we will join in national Black History celebrations across October but most importantly as Southwark's Racial Literacy Hub we advocate for such celebrations of our diversity and context to be all year round.



On Friday, Camelot and Cobourg's school councils came together to meet for the first time. There was an exciting buzz amongst the children and it was obvious that the room was filled with future leaders!

The children worked together to share ideas about how they could make our schools even more exceptional.

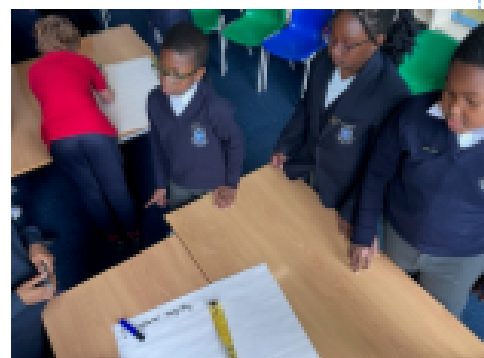
We are excited about the year ahead and working together



What makes Exceptional... through the eyes of a 7-11 year old!

The joint School Council list currently extends to... (no pressure here then!)

More library books; more recycling/litter picking gardening opportunities;
 More open-minds!; more academic awards; more exercise methods:
 Bigger Art rooms; more playground resources; more lanyard values;
 More free clubs for all ... Language, Art, Cricket, Basketball, Rugby, Cycling
 More Swimming.. for longer time; Better food (then they wrote broccoli
 and carrots!); More trips... to galleries, museums, parks, beaches



In the same week, the Super Team of School Leaders across the two schools met to determine the key features of the two schools they would be focusing on to ensure that all the pupils at Camelot and Cobourg receive an exceptional everyday education. The school leaders agreed on four strands that they would be looking at immediately to address some of the key challenges that the schools face at this time. These include:

- ✦ How the curriculum at our schools is taught... our pedagogical approach. This includes the consistencies that ensure the exceptional everyday education in every lesson
- ✦ Our provision and teaching to support pupils with additional educational needs. We recognise that we need to adapt our teaching to meet the needs of all our pupils.
- ✦ How all our staff team contribute to the exceptional education everyday for our pupils. Our Human Resources are our frontline and we pride ourselves on their effectiveness.
- ✦ What we are teaching to our pupils and the impact this has in preparing them for their next stage of education and the opportunities available to them ahead.

Ms Lossa Grant invites!

Ms Lossa Grant may be working at Cobourg but she wanted to invite some Camelot competition entrants to come over to share their Camelot work with her Cobourg children.

'The Rise to the Challenge' competition is open to all pupils and is designed to promote and stimulate our children's curiosity about their local environment and the people who are part of it. Children who wish to take part will be required to research and find out about one person who lives in London (preferably in the local community) who demonstrates one of our school learning behaviours—Aspiration, Courage, Dedication, Integrity or Resilience.

To enter, please help your child create a poster about their chosen person. Their posters should include information about their chosen person and a short explanation as to why they think they demonstrate our school learning behaviours.. Please hand in your entry to the school office by the end of October.



Heads up all parents/carers of Year 3 to Year 6 children* that Camelot have bid for a full Winter CHAMPS provision for Monday 19th—Thursday 22nd December. The intention is also to provide all 100 children signing up to the full programme with a new school tracksuit to wear along with their CHAMPS t-shirt (please bear this in mind if you were planning to buy your growing child with a new tracksuit at this time).

Please note signing up will happen before October half term for the limited number of places available. (* unfortunately on this occasion, Year 1 & 2 pupils will only be offered places after Yr 3—6 sign up is complete).

Evaluation of the Holiday Activities Food Programme

Did you child attend CHAMPS Summer 2022. If so then you are invited to complete a short survey (5-10 minutes) about their experiences this summer, particularly regarding their mental wellbeing and household food security.

The survey provider would like you to circulate the following survey link to all parents and carers whose children in their care are eligible for free school meals.

<https://forms.office.com/r/UU710UYjFP>.

We will acknowledge parent/carer participation and ensure good data management practice. The privacy statement is included in the survey.

Parents/carers will be offered a £10 Love2Shop voucher as a thank you for participating.

All information collected during will be anonymised.

Personal information that is collected is solely for the purpose of research staff communicating with participants and providing them with their voucher.

Please note the next date when the school has a staff training day inside a normal school week is then Friday 25th November . Thank you

Camelot School Term and Holiday dates

Academic year 2022/2023

Autumn term 2022

- Monday 5th September 2022* to Friday 21st October 2022 (35 school days)
Half Term Monday 24th October 2022 to Friday 28th October 2022
- Monday 31st October 2022 to Friday 16th December 2022 (34 school days)
Mid-term Inset Day Friday 25th November 2022

Spring term 2023

- Tuesday 3rd January 2023 to Friday 10th February 2023 (29 school days)
Half Term Monday 13th February 2023 to Friday 17th February 2023
- Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023 (30 school days)

Summer term 2023

- Monday 17th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023 (30 school days)
Half Term Monday 29th May 2023 to Friday 2nd June 2023
- Tuesday 7th June 2023 to Wednesday 19th July 2023 (32 school days)

Total number of days for children in school: 190

Inset Days: 5 days for staff only

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Friday 25th November 2022

Monday 6th June 2023

+ Twilight training – 1 session per term

Public holidays

- Christmas Day – Sunday 25th December 2022
- Boxing Day Holiday – Monday 26th December 2022
 - New Year's Day – Sunday 1st January 2023
- New Year's Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd January 2023
 - Good Friday - Friday 7th April 2023
 - Easter Sunday – Sunday 9th April 2023
- May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 1st May 2023

Please remember holidays are not expected to be taken during the 190 school days of a child's annual educational entitlement

Hosted at Camelot School

With opportunity to earn up to £85 through your participation.. that's pretty



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Good
parenting
ideas based

Are you a parent who finds it tough to manage strong emotions? Are you worried about your child's behaviour?

Would you be interested in participating in research on a new parenting group?

We are looking for parents of children, **aged 2-11**, who are worried about their child's behaviour to take part in research on a **new parenting group**. Being a Parent- Enjoying Family Life is for parents who may be experiencing **strong emotions** which spillover into their parenting, who may **struggle to trust** in relationships/friendships or may have experienced challenging childhoods or invalidating relationships with their own parents.

**Starts at Camelot in
October 2022**

**Sign up using the QR
code here or by
talking to Miss
Wilkinson**

We want to test whether BaP-EFL helps parents better than the original EPEC-BaP groups. BaP-EFL and EPEC-BaP are both ran **by parents, for parents**.



If you are interested and eligible for the study, you will receive either BaP-EFL or original EPEC-BaP **parenting groups**. The groups last between **9-10 weeks** for **2 hours** and cover topics such as **managing stress, positive parenting strategies and communication skills**. A creche will be provided if needed.

Parents will also be asked to complete online questionnaires and an at home interview before, after and 6 months after attending the group. You will receive **up to £85** for your participation in these questions