

The Camelot

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October 31st—Secondary School Transfer Deadline— Nothing is more important on this date

October 31st every year is the final day for Year 6 parents/carers to submit your secondary school application form. If you do not have children in Year 6 then why not check in with a friend or neighbour who has a child in Year 6 and check that they have completed their application. Please do not miss the chance to accept the support of your school, the school office team, class teachers, senior leaders or Mr Robinson (available all day and evening on Monday 31st October on 07944 720606). Mr Robinson is happy to sit with any parent/carer after school to complete their application form if this helps.

Nothing else is as important on October 31st or is acknowledged by the school

School Development Plans 2022-23

Our School Development Plan Priorities are formally agreed by the school's governing body in the Autumn Term meeting on November 14th and which will be attended by our two parent governors, Bunmi, mother of Raqueebat, Musilimotu and Abdul Rageeb and Eva, mother of Ellvina and Georgette.

In addition, Ms Lossa Grant continues to represent the staff team and Mr Robinson sits on the governing body alongside seven volunteer governors.

Camelot School Improvement Priorities 2022-2023

Strand 1

Phonics and Early Reading particularly for pupils who are reading below age-related expectations

SDP Driver: Quality of Education (QE)

Strand 3

Development of Whole Staff and Leadership Team Capacity

SDP Driver: Effectiveness of Leadership and Management (L&M)

Strand 5

Racial Literacy Hub development and its impact on curriculum provision

SDP: Appropriateness of Curriculum Provision (CP)

Strand 2

Curriculum Implementation to secure pupil outcomes, including across Early Years

SDP: Appropriateness of Curriculum Provision (CP)

Strand 4

Provision for SEND pupils and those pupils not on track

SDP Driver: Quality of Education (QE)

Strand 6

Additional recognition and support for school's SEMH agenda amongst its pupils and parents/carers – Healthy Schools Funded Project SDP Driver: Emotional Regulation (ER) The School Development Plan Priorities are written in response to a number of key influences as follows:

- National priorities, currently which include how schools respond to the recent Covid-19 pandemic
- Government priorities for schools which currently include a key focus on the importance of phonics and early reading provision in schools
- Pupil Attainment outcomes
- Parent feedback—at Camelot we received over 175 parent survey responses in 2022 and much of your feedback is responded to in these priorities

Saturday 5th November is Bonfire Night



Every school in the country will want to remind parents/carers that with Bonfire Night celebrations come the excitement of fireworks but also the dangers. Bonfires and fireworks should only be managed by responsible adults and should never be left available for children or teenagers to access without supervision. Like all events at this time, we want to emphasize our support on the condition of fun and celebrating but with safety as the priority.

Key dates to remember

Thursday 3rd November— 8.45 a.m. Maths Workshop for Parents/Carers of pupils in Years 4—6

Led by our Maths Lead Teachers. These teachers include Mr Joyce who will be on his first paternity leave from November 4th. He will back for the Year 1—3 Maths Workshop—see below

Thursday 24th November— 8.45 a.m. Maths Workshop for Parents/Carers of pupils in Years 1—3

Friday 25th November—School shut for Teacher Training Day.

The training day will include preparations for our next Racial Literacy week—see below as well as Ofsted preparation training—as Camelot is expecting our next Ofsted Inspection from January 2023 onwards*

Week commencing Monday 28th November— Racial Literacy Week at Camelot

Also coming up this term:

- Football World Cup Finals start. Come on England!
- Christmas Food Fair—like a Christmas Fair but with a food celebration twist—parent helpers welcomed by Miss Lou
- Christmas Nativity Performances by children in the Early Years and in Year Two—one for the whole family to attend/take the morning off work to attend—dates to be confirmed
- Winter CHAMPS 2022—planned for Monday 19th—Thursday
 22nd December subject to Camelot CHAMPS receiving the grant application (we hear this week & will let you know immediately)
 - Holidays start Friday 16th December—
 School back Tuesday 3rd January 2023

^{*} Please can we take this opportunity to advocate for your support in speaking to Ofsted inspectors about the special qualities of our school and how we overcome any hurdles with exceptional efforts and dedication to your children. The parent voice has never been so



The Book Fair is coming!

This November, get your Christmas presents sorted by buying a book and help our school get free books.

17th - 23rd November

Camelot School Uniform Charitable support

The panel met for October and has awarded 10 children in Years 2—6 with a uniform grant to spend at our uniform suppliers, APT in Rye Lane, Peckham.

The panel meets monthly and if you wish to apply for a grant please contact Ms Wilkinson via the school office

New plans to encourage cycling ahead

- 1. Our new bike storage area is planned for installation in the newly opened up area by the gate nearest to the school office. Pupils and Adults are encouraged to lock their bikes in this area.
- 2. More Cycling Proficiency lessons have been booked for 2022-2023 and the school continues to aim to teach more children to be cycling proficient to Level 2 Standard* (A Level 2 cyclist can use roads and cycle paths around London)
- 3. Free Bike Hire from School—if you are able to store a bike in your home or have a good bike lock your child will soon be able to borrow a school bike for a weekend or for a holiday period.

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