



The Camelot

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Camelot School continues to strive to be the heart of our community

Where we can help we will try. If you think you need additional support for any reason please speak in confidence to Mr Robinson (07944 720606); Miss Eastwood (07931 615568) or Miss Wilkinson (07931 615571). The Camelot community is too important to us not to try.

**Yr 3—6 Priority
Booking Window
until Monday 5th
December after
which places will
be offered to
Year 2 children.**



**By paying a £10 registration
commitment by Monday 5th
December every child signed
up will receive a new School
Tracksuit (worth £35) as the
Winter CHAMPS outfit to
wear every day this
holiday period.
Blue CHAMPS T-shirts will be
given out where available.**

Times and Dates of Winter CHAMPS 2022:

10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. daily*

**Please book your child a place for
Winter CHAMPS 2022 with Miss
Patrice in the School Office or by
texting your child's name to
CHAMPS phone number 07931
616456 (and by 05.12.22)**

4 days— Monday 19th to Thursday 22nd December inclusive

Camelot School, Bird in Bush Road gate, SE15 1QE

Mr Imran or Ms Wilkinson, CHAMPS leaders, 07931 616456

Mr Robinson, Camelot School Headteacher, 07944 720606

Miss Eastwood, Camelot School Designated Safeguarding Lead, 07931 615568

**We hope that CHAMPS brings additional support to our families at this time.
We will offer free water bottles & lunch to all attendees and free breakfast will be available upon request.**

CHAMPS is part of the Southwark Council Winter of Food and Fun and is open to all children from any Southwark School wishing to attend. Places are limited but CHAMPS is fully inclusive as a community provision.

Daily activities include:

- ♦ Outdoor, physical and fun activities including cycling, dance, swimming
- ♦ Outdoor and adventurous activities including trips to local parks
- ♦ Creative, artistic activities
- ♦ Planned trips to the theatre/cinema

In addition, Southwark are continuing to plan to give all families entitled to Free School Meals or No Recourse to Public Funds the holiday vouchers of £15 per child per week or £30 for the holiday period. Camelot can help if you're not registered.

Plans for Christmas Week at Camelot

Nativity Performances*—children will perform for parents/carers/family members on the following dates:

Nursery and Reception Nativity —

Thursday 8th December 2.30 p.m. &

Friday 9th December 9.15 a.m.

**Year 2 Nativity—Wednesday 14th
December - 9.15 a.m.**

* The magic of 'Nativity'* is about our children participating in the retelling of a story passed down through the ages

One way we struggle to support you on but where we hope we can signpost our families

The school does not have contacts in Southwark Housing and is unable to influence housing allocations that are given to our families. We have tried on numerous occasions but this is not an area where the school can help with Southwark Housing.

What would like to do is to signpost families where any of you may know about local available housing that can be privately rented. We have families looking for such properties and we ask that you contact Mr Robinson or Miss Wilkinson if you can recommend any such property to us.

Camelot's Day of Celebration

Wednesday 30th November 2022

Every child (& staff member!) is invited to dress up in the colours of our school lanyards for the day—either dress up in one colour from the list below or can they wear one item of all five colours?!



Prizes will be given to the best dressed more colourful children (and staff!) on this day—as long as the colours chosen are the same as our lanyards:

Chestnut Brown

Deep Purple

Outrageous Orange

Striking Pink*

Sky Blue

(* it would be great if we can promote variation of colours and items of clothing with these colours. Not be over-reliant on one colour dominating our outfits.

Please can we encourage a celebration of difference through what your children wear so please not lots and lots of 'Frozen' Princess outfits or football tops in these colours on this occasion. Thank you

Christmas/End of Term celebrations

The important school dates for your attention

1. **Friday 16th December**—School closes early at 1.00 p.m. for staff training
2. **Tuesday 3rd January**—School closed for Staff Training Day
3. **Wednesday 4th January**—Spring Term 2023 starts for all pupils
4. **Saturday 15th January**—deadline for Primary School Admissions to Camelot!

Week commencing Monday 28th November

Racial Literacy Week at Camelot School

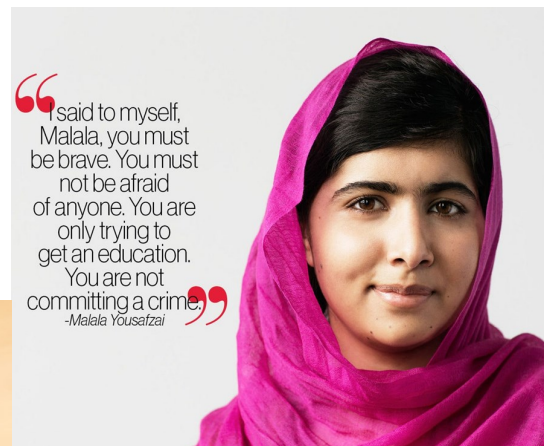
This week commencing Monday 28th November, everyone at Camelot School will be learning more about the importance of being racially literate in our lives, our education, our choices and decision making.

We have chosen the following role models associated with Camelot's Community who exemplify the school's learning values—the story behind the lives of these people are often remarkable and often exemplify how we all need to recognise the importance of the wider values of education and at the heart of being racially literate

Little Simz (Aspiration) - *Malala Yousafzai (Courage)*

Kye White (Dedication)

Anne Frank (Integrity) - *Ade Adepitan (Resilience)*



Camelot Christmas Food Fair

Wednesday 14th December

3.15—4.30 p.m.

The plans: Parents/carers cook for our food fair and donate a dish that celebrates their family's food culture—aka something that your children love eating at home with you and which we all need to try. Other Christmas related activities will be put on by the Parent Teacher Association including a Santa's grotto, the Camelot raffle, tombola, stalls and fun activities for all

Timings: At 3.15 p.m. all the food dishes are presented in the Rio hall for parents/carers and children to sample—each stall will serve portion of the food into bowls as provided

Support needed: We need parents/carers willing to make large portions of food so we can celebrate together. Can you make a big container/pot of jollof rice/rice and peas/cous-cous/patatas bravas or chicken/meat /tagine/ stew/curry dishes (no pork products please). We ask for food donations to be bought in on the day but preferably during the afternoon in preparation for the fair which starts after the school day finishes on that date.

The cost! We are asking all parents/carers to purchase a special meal ticket that we will stamp each time you visit one of the food stalls. We are aiming for parents/carers/staff with our cooking so the food may be spicy and may include lots of vegetables (but no nuts please)! We are therefore proposing a meal ticket will cost £2 each which entitles the holder to sample dishes from around the stalls... food from around the world.

Your support with these plans is so welcomed



Amazingly, the school are being donated three x 10 foot Christmas trees from this amazing company... we are all so grateful. This will allow our school to join in celebrations and countdown to Christmas.

Like in previous years, if your family can fit in a 10 foot tree and would like to have a tree from Friday 16th December (& you are in walking distance of the school) please can you inform the school office.

Christmas Tree Link

<https://clickmastrees.com/>



Why not buy yours from Clickmas Trees?

The Message on Christmas Jumper Day; Christmas Parties and Christmas Lunch—Thursday 15th December

We hope all our children will eat a school Christmas lunch (including a Brussel Sprout!) with crackers on this date.

In addition, this date will also be the **Camelot Christmas Jumper Day** when everyone at Camelot is invited to wear whatever Jumper is really special to them?

Any jumper is allowed but bright colours are recommended and Christmas fun jumpers are always encouraged for this time of year.

Classes will also have Christmas/end of term parties on this date— if any parent / carer can offer to bake or donate for these parties this is welcomed. Thank you.

Camelot School Uniform Charitable support

Across October and November we have awarded over 25 children in Years 2—6 uniform grants to spend at our uniform suppliers, APT in Peckham.

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

It is likely that December will be the last opportunity to receive a grant as our funds are running out. We hope we can be support more in 2023.

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

- Wednesday 4th 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)

Inset Days: 5 days for staff only

Thursday 1st September 2022
Friday 2nd September 2022
Friday 25th November 2022
Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Monday 6th June 2023

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