

# The Camelot

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### Plans for Christmas Time at Camelot School #exceptionaleveryday

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

### Nursery and Reception Nativity — Tomorrow, Thursday 8th December 2.00 p.m. & this 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



## Thursday 15th December Christmas Lunch and Colourful Jumper Day

Everyone is invited to wear their most colourful jumper for the day. It is school uniform except for the jumper.

# How can you help our school at this time... please?:

- 1. Come and watch our Nativity performances
- 2. Offer to help out at the Christmas Fair—

### we especially need your support to cook some food to share.. Please

- Ensure your child has a colourful jumper to wear on Thursday 15th December
  Remember to arrange early pick up on Friday 16th
  - 5. Keep supporting



# Camelot's Day of Celebration Wednesday 30th November 2022

Every child (& staff member!) was invited to dress up in the colours of our school lanyards for the day!



**Kye White** Peckham's Olympic Medallist sent a message to our Year 1 children



# The rest of November has been filled with lots of our celebrations inside and outside of Camelot School



The first children got their five lanyards five times so earned five special blazer shields... please can parents and carers ensure these are returned to us in the New Year. The Camelot Cobourg Football Team won their first match in their 'Wasps' kit.



New children have been welcomed into Camelot School and this has brought extra Greatness and Immaculate qualities to add to the Peace and Wisdom we already have! The Year 6 scientist wowed their headteacher with scientific language and the presentation of their ideas.... and in other news, Betty Robinson turned 9!



# Christmas/End of Term celebrations The important school dates for your attention

- 1. Friday 16th December—School closes early from 12.50 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!

#### Tracksuits will be **CHAMPS** is now handed out this week to fully booked for all parents/carers who **Winter 2022** have donated £10 to support paying for the CHAMPS uniform this winter. Times and Dates of Winter CHAMPS 2022: 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. daily\* Please book your child a place for 4 days - Monday 19th to Thursday 22nd December inclusive Winter CHAMPS 2022 with Miss Camelot School, Bird in Bush Road gate, SE15 1QE Patrice in the School Office or by Mr Imran or Ms Wilkinson, CHAMPS leaders, 07931 616456 texting your child's name to CHAMPS phone number 07931 Mr Robinson, Camelot School Headteacher, 07944 720606 616456 (and by 05.12.22) 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 Daily activities include:

HAMPS 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.



- 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

# Please, please apply for the help you might be entitled to receive at this time.

All parents/carers entitled for Free School Meals for their children will receive a Southwark Council Holiday Meals Food Voucher this winter holiday.
 This will be £33 per school aged child for this holiday.
 The above vouchers are also available if your family are not entitled to receive UK government support and are earning less than national thresholds. Text Mr Robinson on 07944 720606 if you think this might be you?

# Camelot Christmas Food Fair

# Wednesday 14th December

# 3.15-4.30 p.m.

<u>The plans:</u> 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

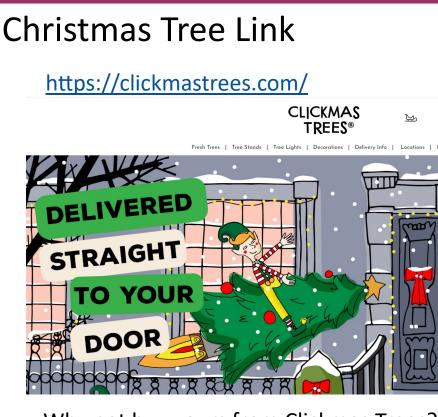
<u>Timings</u>: At 3.15 p.m. all the food dishes are presented in the Rio hall for parents/carers and children to sample—each stall will serve portion of the food into bowls as provided

<u>Support needed:</u> 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.

<u>The cost!</u> 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.



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 Colourful 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.

## One bit of local traffic management news

Southwark Council have opened consultation on making our school area subject to a Controlled Parking Zone from 2023. 8.00 a.m—6.30 p.m. Resident only parking with fixed notice fines for any vehicle stopping in the zone for such reasons as.... Parking/stopping your vehicle to drop off passengers!

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

### Spring term 2023

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (29 school days) Half Term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023
  - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (30 school days)

### Summer term 2023

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

### Inset Days: 5 days for staff only

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

### **Public holidays**

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

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