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**Autumn Term Issue 8
25 October 2024**

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Parent/Teacher Meetings

On Wednesday, you should have received an email regarding booking these meetings. Check your junk box.

The Meetings will be on Monday 18 November when school will be closed to children.

Parent/Children Quotes

Camden is creating online web-based "Report Cards" which families who are looking for schools can use. They've asked us to collect positive quotes from parents and children. If you would like to share your positive experience you may do so here:

<https://forms.gle/37jWYJzXUQ2FE16j8>

**Reminder: Next week is half term and school is closed to children.
Have a lovely half term.**

Year 6 Secondary Transfer

If your child is in Y6 please ensure that you complete the secondary school transfer form by 31 October.

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>

Class Assemblies

These happen on Fridays at 9.15am and last about 15 minutes. Join Rob afterwards for the class meeting!

15 November Y4

29 November Y5

6 December Reception

13 December Y3 (note change)

Nursery do their first assembly in the Spring Term and Y1/2 will be performing a version of the Christmas story at 2pm on Tuesday 10 December.

Dates for your Diary (so far)

28 October -1 November Half Term

Week beginning 4 November Science Week

Monday 4 November The Crick in school

Tuesday 5 November Dr Matt Pritchard

Thursday 7 November Y5 The Crick trip

Friday 8 November Environmental Magic

Friday 8 November 6pm Halloween Disco

Week of Monday 11 November Y5 Swim (2 weeks)

Monday 11 November Y6 Junior Citizens

Tuesday 12 November Y2 Nightingale Museum

13/14 November Y6 Voices for equality workshop

Monday 18 November School closed to children Parent Teacher Meetings

Tuesday 18 November Y5 Swim (for two weeks)

Thursday 21 November Y6 RAF Museum

Friday 22 November Y3 Parent/teacher meeting

Monday 25 November Y6 The Magic Circle

Thursday 28 November Nursery Little Angel Theatre

Tuesday 10 December 2pm Y1/2 Christmas play

Thursday 12 December Father Christmas pm

Thursday 12 December Rec Stickman am

Friday 13 December Christmas Fair pm

Tuesday 17 December Cinderella

Tuesday 17 December Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

Wednesday 18 December Y3/5 The Little Prince

Thursday 19 December 1.30 Magic Show 2.30 parties

Friday 20 December School closes 13.30

Y6 Assembly

Thank you Y6 for sharing your learning in assembly this morning. It was great to hear a snapshot of what you have been learning about World War II. It was lovely to see parents in the tea afterwards.

Due to a system outage with the nursing service on Monday all 'flu vaccinations were cancelled. You can still sign up here for when we have a new date (we don't yet know when that will be)

<https://ncl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/camden>

Thanks to Rec parents for the yummy cookie and hot chocolate stall on Thursday.

**Attendance for the week
Our target is 95%**

Year 1	92.86
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Year 2	87.24
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Year 3	95.24
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Year 4	88.00
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Year 5	90.71
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Year 6	98.36
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School	91.80
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Well done Y6!



FITZJOHN'S PRESENTS

HALLOWEEN DISCO

FRIDAY

NOVEMBER

8

**EARLY ACTIVITIES
5:30PM TO 6PM**

**PARTY
6PM TO 8PM**

POPCORN | GLOW STUFF | SWEETS | GAMES | RAFFLE

Fitzjohn's Educational Psychologist (EP) workshops

As part of Antibullying Week and our wider work with Camden Educational Psychology Service's Trauma Informed Practice team, we will be holding two EP-led workshops. The workshop will include psychoeducation and discussions on how to help children navigate friendships and help children navigate their emotions. Please see the poster for booking.



Come along to our Parent Workshops

Delivered by Camden Educational Psychology Service

Monday 11th November 9.00-9.45

Supporting your child to navigate friendships
Supporting you child with their emotions

Advance booking essential ([Click here](#))



**Drop in to see your child's PSHE lesson following
the workshop**

After the workshop you can pop into your child's class 9.45-10.30 to take part in a PSHE lesson.



Our local MP Tulip Siddiq send this:

I'll be running a Christmas Card competition this year.

The competition is open to all primary school aged children who go to schools in Hampstead and Highgate or live in the constituency. The winning design will feature on my online Christmas Card to be sent to local councillors, community organisations, MPs and others! I will also be hosting a reception for all the winners and runners-up in Parliament on **Thursday 12th December**.

Entries need to:

- Be A5, landscape, and in .jpeg or .png format
- Include the entrant's full name, age, full address with postcode, and the contact details of a parent, carer or teacher (and name of school)
- Either be **submitted by email** to tulip.siddiq.mp@parliament.uk by **15th November**,

or **submitted by post** to

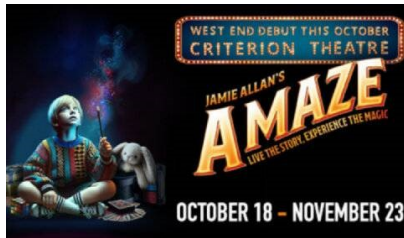
Office of Tulip Siddiq MP,
House of Commons,
London,
SW1A 0AA

by **8th November**

Following their success in the Cross Country, **Alex** and **Ofri** from **Y6** have been selected to represent Camden in the London event.

Well done to them and to everyone who took part.

I don't think I've mentioned before it but some of you might know that I'm a Member of The Magic Circle and some of my friends and fellow Members are involved in shows that are happening across London this Autumn. Click the image for more information and to book.



At the Criterion Theatre in Piccadilly Circus. A family friendly magic show by magician Jamie Allen. Some great magic and a lovely heart-felt message runs through the show.

In The Vaults Waterloo

An immersive show for **adults** only with lots of amazing close-up magicians who perform at your table. Your ticket price also includes 5 cocktails (alcoholic or non-alcoholic). This is great value.



In a secret venue near London Bridge. Another immersive show for **adults** set during the wake of a fictitious magician. A fun story with great close-up magic.

Underbelly Soho

Asi Wind is a real favourite amongst magicians and has created effects for people like David Blaine. I've seen this show and another show in NYC and he's great.

Aimed at 12+ with some strong language



B:M2024

Black History Season is drawing to a close, with a whole host of community events, including art exhibitions, live music, and history talks. Here are few highlights from the programme:

DIG DEEPER, LOOK CLOSER, THINK BIGGER

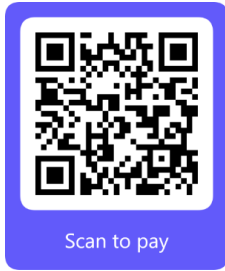
- **The Unknown Soldier** – A free exhibition celebrating the contributions of Black servicemen and women to British War effort in WWI & WWII. Being displayed at Swiss Cottage Gallery, up until 31 October.
 - **37 Poems to Inspire** – Is an opportunity for families and children to create poems to be part of a collection which aims to encourage confidence and positivity. Being held at Old Diorama Arts Centre, 26 October, 10.30am to 1pm.
 - **Explore Africa! Workshops** - For children and adults to learn about Africa's diverse languages, food, and traditions. Taking place across Camden's libraries, up until 24 October.
- Most of the Camden-run events this year are free, with a small number of events having a low entry fee. All proceeds will be donated to support the brilliant work of the [Black Curriculum](#). You can find out more about this year's Black History Season and see the full programme of events at lovecamden.org/blackhistoryseason.

In Monday's assembly were learnt about and saw the magic of Richard Essien an amazing magician and break-dancer who preforms under the name of Magical Bones.

Thanks to all of the parents who have come in to bake, crate art or to share stories.

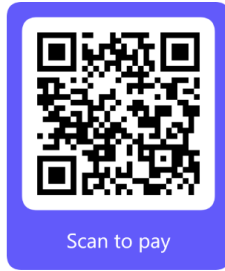
This week in class	
Nursery	This week we celebrated Diwali, the festival of light. We have enjoyed wearing traditional Indian clothing, as well as role-playing in our Indian restaurant. We read 'The best Diwali ever' and watched a short clip from CBeebies 'my first festival'. Nursery have also been very busy making clay Diva's and firework pictures this week. On Thursday, we made a chickpea curry with Ari's mum and Grandma- it was delicious! We got the thumbs up from Rob! Zig Zag is going on half term break with Axel, have a great time!
Reception	Reception have been learning all about how Diwali is celebrated by Hindus. We designed some rangoli patterns, did some mehndi and learnt the story of warrior Rama rescuing Sita from the demon king Ravana. We enjoyed drawing our own demons, with lots of heads and arms. In phonics this week we learnt the sounds h,l, f and b. We also learnt the tricky word 'l'. In maths we have been looking at numbers 1-3, trying to subitise them (recognise without counting). And finally thanks to all the parent volunteers who came on our trip to the Heath on Monday. It was great to find lots of colourful leaves and walking round the village. Some of the children made great maps of our walk to the park when we got back!
Class 1	This week in literacy we learnt and recited the poem 'Someone Different'. In phonics, the children were assessed on the phonemes we have learnt so far. They made us so proud and did a phenomenal job! In topic we created posters about human/physical features and climates of our home countries. In art the children sculpted and painted their African clay pots. In maths we have learnt how to write an addition fact family. Today we had our Diversity Day! The children presented their culture projects beautifully and we had so much fun during the party this afternoon. Thank you so much for attending, bringing food and joining in with our celebration. Well done for a fabulous first half term Year 1 and we hope you have a lovely break!
Class 2	It's been a busy week in Class 2, putting the finishing touches to our Great Fire of London information books and completing our RE learning on 'Stories Jesus told.' In Science this week, Class 2 enjoyed examining the properties of various objects to see if they would bend, squash, twist or squeeze. In PSHE, we talked about healthy snacks and the children made yoghurt and berry 'bark.' We will be learning about great heroes in nursing after half term, starting off with Florence Nightingale and then looking at Mary Seacole's equally important work. Have a restful break.
Class 3	Where has the time gone? It feels like only yesterday I was meeting my gorgeous class. How lucky I am to have such a vibrant, kind and hard working bunch. Class 3 have really impressed me this week with their resilience and ability to stay on top of our classroom routines and expectations. We have come to the end of our science unit, Human and Animals: The Human Body. Students showed a thorough understanding of healthy eating, types of skeletons and how our muscles work. In Maths it has been so wonderful to see how far these students have come, and to watch their independence and confidence grow around our maths topics. I urge students to continue regular practice of times tables over the break to continue to develop their fluency. I am so proud of them all, they really do deserve this break!
Class 4	What a productive first half-term of the year this has been! This week, we learned how to use onomatopoeia for effect and wrote our own poems with Rob in literacy. In maths, we learned to subtract using efficient strategies, estimate answers by rounding and check answers of calculations using their inverse operations. In history, we compared the ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic writing to English writing and researched some of the gods that the ancient Egyptians believed in. We are looking forward to some well-earned rest, relaxation and plenty of fun over the half-term holiday!
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has been learning in Maths about factors, common factors of 2 numbers, prime numbers and square numbers. In Literacy, we read a few more Cautionary Tales and planned and wrote our own narrative poem with a moral. In History, Class 5 learned about The Trojan War, while in RE we discussed the importance of acceptance and the consequences mean words said in anger can have. We also really enjoyed our Ancient Greek party where we ate Mediterranean food and did loads of fun activities, such as drawing our own Ancient Greek vases as well as making bookmarks with our names written in Greek and jewellery. Our visit to The British Museum - learning about the Ancient Greek artefacts - was the perfect way to end the first half term!
Class 6	Congrats to class 6 on performing so brilliantly in our sharing assembly today. In other news, we continued to review the skill of double-digit division, using number tracks and applying it to solving problems. Our Literacy work saw us review many of the punctuation and grammar features studied this term and we also continued our whistle stop review of Romeo and Juliet. To celebrate Black History Month, we learned about the contribution of black pilots (of the Caribbean), during 'WW2': their stories are often forgotten by history so it was refreshing to understand how vital these heroes were to the British war effort.

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Camden Foodbank is a local charity supporting adults and children in food crisis. In the past 12 months the Trussell Trust group of foodbanks gave over 3.1 emergency food parcels to people in food crisis with over 1.1 million of these parcels being given out to children. The winter months are the worst for people with no access to food as they also need to keep warm to survive.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Please donate **targeted food** to help Camden Foodbank make up emergency parcels or please donate money.

THIS AUTUMN & WINTER PLEASE HELP US TO FEED LOCAL PEOPLE IN FOOD CRISIS

HOW TO DONATE FOOD BY HAND?

DAY	TIME OPEN	ADDRESS
Everyday	8am – 10pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel, Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, NW1 0JN.
Everyday	8am – 10pm	The Wesley Hotel, 81-103 Euston Street, NW1 2EZ.
Tuesday	11.30am – 3pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD.
Friday	11.30am – 3pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD.
Sunday	10am – 12pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD.

URGENTLY NEEDED TARGETED FOOD

- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Soup
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Biscuits
- Jam and Honey
- Baked Beans
- Cereal
- Longlife Milk
- Longlife Juice
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Soap/Shower Gel
- Toilet Rolls
- Laundry Powder

HOW TO DONATE FOOD OVER THE NET?

DAY	TIME	ADDRESS
Tuesday or Friday	11.30am – 2pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD.

HOW TO DONATE MONEY?

THROUGH JUST GIVING

<https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3445418>

100% of your donation will go directly to Camden Foodbank.

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<https://camden.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money>

Camden Foodbank 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Phone for food deliveries only Tuesdays and Fridays – 020 7387 4551

info@camden.foodbank.org.uk

<https://Camden.foodbank.org.uk>

Camden Foodbank registered charity in England and Wales 1084806



Just Giving for Camden Foodbank



School T-Shirts etc:

Take a look at this site <https://shop.spreadshirt.co.uk/FitzjohnsNW3> where you can order and create t-shirts, etc in a variety of colours and sizes (children's and adults).

The logo is based on the iconic street signs around Hampstead.

Please note that you can "personalise" each item and choose any item from the site.

We receive approximately 20% (plus £3 for the logo) for each sale.

A tip: To try to cut down a bit on postage charges why not club together as a class.

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MARKS & SPENCER	£1.23	90p	£1.23	×
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Thank you!



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October 24

Half term

Playscheme

for children 5-12 (4 yrs if in Recp class)

Mon 28 Oct-Fri 1 Nov

@ the Community Centre

78 Hampstead High Street NW3 1RE

① Forms available from After School Club/Office

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Week B: Mon 28 Oct-Fri 01 Nov 2024 (5 days)

*Check online for which weeks are running at your Location

* Times: 9am - 3:30pm (6.5hrs)

Extended Hours: 8:30am; latest collection 4pm

- simply add when booking online

* Open to Children: aged 5-12 years

* Locations: across Greater London (look right>)

Halloween Science! - New 2024 Activities

Day 1> Atomic Monsters!

Getting To Know You!
Viral Viruses!
Pumpkin Life Cycle!
Haunted House!

Day 2: Gory Genius!

Eerie Eruptions!
Spooky Slime!
Witch's Cauldron!

Day 3: Trick or Treat!

Blood Making!
Skelly, the 3D Skeleton!
Witchcraft Illusions!

Day 4: Witchcraft Science!

Flying Bats!
Spooky Spider Webs!
Broom Zoom!

Day 5: Toil & Trouble!

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Manic Bone Hand!
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Talks

Free food

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- BBQ, Chocolate Apples, Goat Grooming, Mini Face Painting, Pottery with Pedro

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Tuesday 29 October
Jack and the Beanstalk.

West Hampstead Library 11:15am-1:00pm
NW6 1AU
Kilburn Library 1:30pm-3:15pm
NW6 5UH



A Story Book and Bag to take home for each family that attends

Wednesday 30 October
Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

Camden Town Library 11:30am-1:00pm
NW1 1BN
Queens Crescent Library 1:30pm-3:15pm
NW5 4HH





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