



# Kentish Town C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Excellent Teaching, Excellent Effort, Excellent Progress:  
Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all families, I really hope you managed some rest and recuperation during the Easter break. There is much to do in the summer term with lots of learning to achieve!

## Class Letters

Class letters will be coming home this week outlining the curriculum for each class. Please take some time to read these and do contact teachers if you have any questions or if you can help in any way.

## Clubs and Staff Training

Due to staff training, there are no clubs this afternoon and also on Tuesday 6th May.

## Camden Music Festival

On Wednesday 30th April, Coren and I will be taking a group of children to the Camden Music Festival. This is a wonderful celebration of music making in which every school in Camden is involved. It happens every other year and takes place at the Royal Festival Hall in Kensington. If your child is performing, please make sure you have booked tickets, this is not something you want to miss!

## Community Breakfast

We have secured sponsorship from Herbie Austin from **Reactive Maintenance London** and from developers **GM London**. As a result, we are able to offer Community Breakfast on Friday 2nd May, Friday 9th May and Friday 16th May. If anyone knows of a potential sponsor, please put them in touch with school. Each breakfast costs £250. We will mention sponsors in this newsletter and on social media

## Daily Supported Reading (DSR) in Oak and Ash Classes

We are now running DSR in both Oak and Ash classes. Please email Emily Fox if you can help with DSR. We aim for each child in Oak and Ash classes to reading in a group with an adult every morning. We are aiming for as many children as possible to be fluent readers by the end of Year 1. Emily's email is: [e.fox@kentishtown.camden.sch.uk](mailto:e.fox@kentishtown.camden.sch.uk).

## Playground Buddies Visit 10 Downing Street

Our Playground buddies visited the official residence of the UK Prime minister (and our local MP) Keir Starmer. The PM was in parliament but he left a letter welcoming the children to his office with Larry, the Downing Street cat!

## Parents and Carers Confidential Counselling Service

Camden offer a confidential counselling service from any parent or carer. The service is free and is completely confidential. If any parent would find this service helpful, the link for self referral is here:

<https://www.camden.gov.uk/parent-and-carer-counselling-service>

These are challenging times generally and being a parent can be very difficult at times so please be aware of this support.

Best wishes,

James Humphries - Headteacher



Our Playground Buddies in front of the famous door to 10 Downing Street. The children had a tour of the state rooms of 10 Downing Street including the cabinet room, the room where the Covid updates were given and the staircase where the pictures of every UK Prime Minister are hung (still waiting for a portrait of the last PM). We had to leave our phones by the door as we went in and no photos inside are allowed. Many thanks to the staff at Downing Street for looking after us all and for showing us around. It was a very special tour.

Below is the letter from the Prime Minister to the Playground Buddies.



**RT HON SIR KEIR STARMER KC, MP**  
**PRIME MINISTER AND FIRST LORD OF THE TREASURY**



**HOUSE OF COMMONS**  
**LONDON SW1A 0AA**

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Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025

Dear Kentish Town School Playground Buddies (a.k.a. the B.F.G's),

I have been told that you are visiting 10 Downing Street today with James, Grant, Sharon and Maxine.

You may know that I am your Member of Parliament in Holborn and St Pancras and that until recently I lived in Kentish Town, which I was proud to call my home. However, since the General Election last year I am also the Prime Minister, and this special place is now home to me and to my family. Welcome and I hope that you enjoy your visit.

Unfortunately, I can't be here to welcome you today, as I will be in the Chamber of the House of Commons, for Prime Minister's Questions. I hope that if you have any questions for me, you will write to me at the email address below.

Kentish Town is a brilliant local school, thanks to its wonderful team of grown-ups, but also thanks to its children, like you, who are proud to work hard and look after one another. Thank you for doing such an important job and keep up the good work!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Keir Starmer'.

Keir Starmer KC, MP  
Member of Parliament for Holborn & St Pancras  
Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury  
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# The Acland Burghley Community Fair

12-3pm Saturday 17th May



FOOD AND DRINK STALLS | TABLE TOP SALE | KIDS' GAMES  
PLANT SALE | DR BIKE | THE FAIRWELL VAN | CRAFT STALLS  
AND THE **INTRA MUSIC STAGE** FEATURING LOCAL SCHOOL BANDS



For more information and to book your table  
for the sale, please scan the QR or contact us!



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# **Parenting your Child with ADHD**

Group for parents and carers of children  
aged 5-12 years who have a clinical  
diagnosis of ADHD

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## For parents and carers of children with ADHD aged 5-12 years

For parents and carers of children with a diagnosis of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) aged 5-12 years. This is a 6-week group programme that meets for 1.5-2 hours a week. The group is facilitated by a qualified mental health professional with experience in supporting parents and carers. The group is run several times a year either online or face to face.

The group builds on what parents are doing well and teaches parents and carers skills and strategies to improve and manage difficult behaviour in children in this age group. It also incorporates the **123 Magic™** approaches, which complement and enhance the programme. The sessions cover the following areas:

- Providing information on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Setting household rules
- Developing and implementing schedules and routines
- Realistic expectations
- Giving clear and calm instructions
- Rewards and praise
- Staying positive and looking after yourself
- The 123 Magic™ approach to effective discipline.

**“Thank you thoroughly  
enjoyed the sessions.”**

**“Good facilitation with  
some good advice in  
response to real questions.”**

**“It worked well - thank you!”**

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Centre**

## Referrals

To find out more information about the programme and upcoming groups please email us at **[familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk](mailto:familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk)**

Self-referrals or professional referrals are accepted and can be made by calling **07939 833 069** or emailing **[familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk](mailto:familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk)**

## Contact details:

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## **CONSTIPATION INFORMATION AND ADVICE FOR PARENTS/CARES**



**Are you a parent/carer of  
a child/young person in  
Camden aged 5-19 who is  
living with constipation?**

The Camden School  
Nursing Team and UCL  
Hospital Emergency  
Department are  
delivering a free  
webinar on how to  
access support and  
guidance for you and  
your child



**SIGN UP BY  
SCANNING THIS  
QR CODE:**



## HOME START CAMDEN AND ISLINGTON

Home-Start Camden and Islington is a local charity with more than 30 years of experience that offers free, confidential mental and practical support to parents that have at least one child under 5. To make a referral for someone or yourself please follow this link:

<https://homestartcamdenandislington.org.uk/referrals-2/>

We are also recruiting for our new Volunteer Training starting May 13th and we would really like to have local parents as part of our amazing team to express interest please call or WhatsApp Eleni at 07940338754.



UNCRC Article 3:  
Adults must do what is best for me



UNCRC Article 5:  
My family should help know and use my own rights



UNCRC Article 29  
I have the right to an education which develops my talents and abilities