



Newsletter Issue 21

13th February 2026



Head Teacher's Award

Luart - Willow Class



Attendance Award

Sycamore Class - 96%



Upcoming dates for your diary

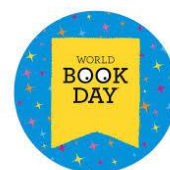
After half term, children in Years 5 and 6 who have permission to go home alone, may leave on their own after clubs.

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| Monday 23rd February | Y4, Y5, Y6 Maui Thai Club - 3:30pm-4:30pm |
| Tuesday 24th February | Football Team Finals at Talacre Y3-Y6 Drumming Club - 3:30pm-4:30pm Girls' Football Team – 3:30pm-4:30pm |
| Wednesday 25th February | NO JAM CLUB 3:45-4:15 Parents' Information Afternoon |
| Thursday 26th February | Y1, Y2, Y3 Boys Football Club – 3:30pm-4:30pm Reception and Y1 Computer Club – 3:30pm-4:30pm Performing Arts Club – 3:30pm-4:30pm |
| Friday 27th February | 8:50-9:15 YN-Y2 Parents' Stay and Read Boys' Football Team – 3:30pm-4:30pm |

Advance Date

Christ Church is celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 6th March**.

Children are invited to dress as their favourite character from a book on the day.



Parents' Information Afternoon

Wednesday 25th February 3:45pm in the school hall

This will be an opportunity for parents to meet with Lee and Amy to hear an update on school improvement, including current successes and aims for the coming months. Please join us if you can.

Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for our wonderful community at Christ Church.
Thank you for bringing us all together as one big family.
Please help us to continue to be a kind and safe community.
Please give everyone an enjoyable half term and make us ready for our learning next term.

Prayer written by Louie, Khadijatu and Alaa, Year 6

Our Christian Value this half-term is:

Endurance



Nursery Admissions for 2026

Applications for Nursery places in September 2026 have opened with a number of parents expressing their interest in these places.

If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, please come to the office to fill in an application form if you have not already done so.

Spaces in Nursery are limited and will fill up quickly.



London Diocesan Board for Schools Service at St Paul's Cathedral

Pupils from Church of England schools across London gathered for a special thanksgiving service at St Paul's on Thursday. There were around 1600 pupils and staff. Children from Christ Church participated by processing with a banner and adding a puzzle piece to the giant puzzle on the theme of reconciliation.



Changes to the Ofsted Inspection Framework



February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Changes to the way Ofsted reports school inspection outcomes

We are writing to share important information about the revised Ofsted school inspection framework, which came into effect in November 2025. As you may know, Ofsted inspects all maintained schools in England on a periodic basis and has previously given one overall grade, such as *'Outstanding'*, *'Good'* or *'Requires Improvement'*, in its published reports.

Under the new framework, schools will receive a **report card** with a **five-point grading scale** across up to **eight areas**. The new gradings are:

- **Exceptional**
- **Strong Standard**
- **Expected Standard**
- **Needs Attention**
- **Urgent Improvement**

Ofsted has been very clear that previous judgements cannot be directly compared with the new grades. For example, the former judgement of *'Outstanding'* is not the same as the new grade of *'Exceptional'*.

Ofsted has stated that a *'Needs Attention'* grade in any area should be seen by a school as advisory, indicating that further work is required to reach the expected standard in that area. It is not a failure; rather, it highlights where issues can be addressed before they become more significant and require urgent improvement.

Behaviour and attendance are now graded together under one heading. This means that an issue with school attendance alone could result in this area being judged as *'Needs Attention'*.

Ofsted continues to have high expectations, and the bar has risen again. Most schools are expected to be graded at the **'Expected Standard'**, which means the school is providing an effective education for its pupils and is doing everything it should be doing in that area. Ofsted is clear that comparisons cannot be made between the previous grading method and the new one. For example, schools that were previously graded *'Good'* under the former framework may have improved yet still be graded at the *'Expected Standard'* under the new framework. Some schools may have areas graded at the **'Strong Standard'**. Ofsted expects that very few schools across the country will be graded as **'Exceptional'** in any area.

More information for parents and carers about the Ofsted framework can be found here:

New Ofsted report cards and grades: a guide for parents: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kb10FvY976g>

You can also see our very own Camden school reports that give a fuller, more rounded picture of our schools and has the key things parents told us they wanted to know here: <https://camden.schoolreport.org.uk/>

We are very proud of the outcomes that Camden schools achieve for children and young people, and they benchmark amongst the best. Thank you for your continued support in helping us provide the very best education for your children, and in ensuring that they attend school every day.

Yours Sincerely

A stylized signature of Stephen Hall.

Stephen Hall
Chief Executive, Camden Learning

A handwritten signature of Tim Aldridge.

Tim Aldridge
Executive Director, Children and Learning, Camden Council.

Learning in Holly Class

Holly Class have had a fantastic start to the half term and have been thoroughly enjoying their topic, **People Who Help Us**.

The children have been learning about the important roles of police officers, doctors, nurses and firefighters, developing their understanding of how these people help us in our community.

This week, the children have particularly loved exploring our small world fire station and fire station office, as well as dressing up in firefighter costumes to act out real-life scenarios. Their role play has been full of imagination, teamwork and fantastic language.

They have also been keen to explore a range of non-fiction books, using them to find out interesting facts about firefighters and how they keep us safe.



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Times
Extended day: 8:45-3:30pm
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