



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 28th February 2025  
[www.ourladys.camden.sch.uk](http://www.ourladys.camden.sch.uk)  
[admin@ourladys.camden.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ourladys.camden.sch.uk)



Go shine  
in the world



**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Since Monday 24th February, **Nursery children have been finishing school at 3.30pm**. This is to bring the Nursery school day in line with the rest of the school. **We are therefore not opening the school gates on Pratt Street until 3.25pm**, in order to start letting parents into the school playground.

At Our Lady's, children lead worship in their class every week. **This term, we are looking forward to sharing this worship with parents of Year 1 to Year 6 children**. Look out for the invitation in your child's book bag next week.

**With Best Wishes, Mrs O'Reilly (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Headteacher)**

## Word Aware Day...

On **Thursday 6th March**, the children and staff will be taking part in 'Word Aware Day'. The purpose of this day will be to celebrate and promote the learning of vocabulary. To encourage the children to feel excited about this learning, we are asking them to come to school dressed up as a specific word.



Your child's class teacher put a **letter in your child's book bag** before half term providing you with details and with the **word that your child should dress up as**. The children have also been shown some examples of what these costumes could look like. As part of their costume, your child should have their **given word and its definition** clearly displayed on a piece of card.

For example, the word can be hung from string or ribbon around your child's neck, or be attached to their clothing. There were some examples on the letter to help with this.

As well as dressing up as these different words, the children will also be participating in word games and a whole school assembly.

**We look forward to celebrating 'Word Aware Day' with all of the pupils!**



I have received and read the Our Lady's Primary School newsletter of 28.02.2025

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)**

## Important dates for your diary...



**Thursday 6th March** - Word Aware Day

**Wednesday 12th March at 2pm** - Spring term music concert

**Friday 28th March** - Non-School uniform day - children donate £1 for charity

**Friday 4th April** - last day of Spring term

## Our School Prayer Eighth Sunday of the Year



Lord Jesus,  
may people see the fruits of your love and goodness in our words and the way we treat other people.  
**Amen**

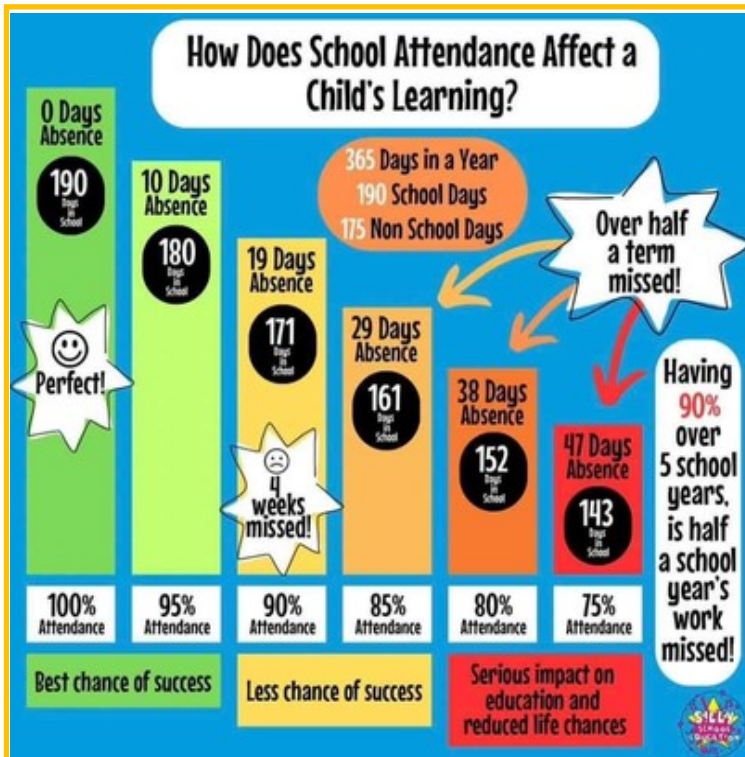
## Best Attendance this week...



For children to learn well and make good progress, it is vital that they attend school every day. Congratulations to **Year 6B** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week **100%** **Year 6B** really showed the Christian value of **Community** by helping their class to have the best attendance this week.

**Please make sure your child is in school every single day.**  
**Thank you for your help with this :)**

The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Bilen** in **Y4**. **Bilen** has won a £5 gift voucher to spend in Waterstones.



## Work of the Week!

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).



This week, **Year 4** have been reading the 'free-verse' poem 'Last Night I Saw The City Breathing' by Andrew Fusek-Peter.

**Lucas** has demonstrated a fantastic understanding of how to create a free verse poem.

**Lucas** thought really carefully about his choice of words and made sure to take ideas from the previous lessons, on similes and adjectives, to create a poem with exceptional imagery.

Well done, **Lucas!**



## Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mr Withers or Mrs O'Reilly.

**We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**





# The Camden Reading Road Map



## Short Story Competition

- Write your own original short story for a chance to win!
- Your story can contain characters from a book you have read before, or characters from your imagination.
- We will judge the stories on— Creativity, originality, use of language and imagination

Winners of the short story competition will have their story printed in a book.

That book will appear on next year's Camden Reading Road Map!



- Submit your story to [els@islington.gov.uk](mailto:els@islington.gov.uk) OR your teacher can have them sent to us at the Education Library Service.
- No more than 500 words.
- Competition ends 25th of April. Winners announced in June.
- Open to Years 3,4,5 and 6.
- You can include drawings but they won't count towards the judging of the story.





# Camden Mobile Health

Are you aged 30-70? Come and visit us for a free diabetes risk check, information and advice, no appointment needed

**We will be open at the below locations:**

**Bus location**

**Date**

**Ampthill Square Estate**

Ampthill Square Estate, NW1 2JR

**Friday 7 March**

11am-3pm

**Mortimer Hall**

Greville Road - Mortimer Crescent  
corner, NW6 5UR (indoors)

**Friday 14 March**

11am-3pm

**KCBNA - Marchmont**

**Community Centre**

62 Marchmont Street, WC1N 1AB  
(indoors)

**Friday 21 March**

11am-3pm

The **Camden Mobile Health Bus** is a walk-in service offering free diabetes risk checks, health information and advice to support residents to make positive health and wellbeing choices, and to prevent them from developing serious health conditions in the future.



## **What is a diabetes risk check?**

A diabetes risk check is open to anyone aged between 30 to 70. It is a short 15-20 minute appointment between you and a healthcare professional.

As we get older, we have a higher risk of developing conditions such as diabetes. This check helps us identify your level of risk and helps us find ways for you to lower this risk by exploring how you can reduce factors that affect this, such as your blood pressure and weight.

## **What can I expect during my check?**

We will take your body measurements including your weight, height, waist and check your blood pressure. These measurements will help us assess your risk for developing diabetes. We will discuss actions you can take to improve your health and wellbeing, depending on your risk level. A sample of your blood will only be taken for testing if you are assessed as being at high risk for diabetes.

## **What happens if I am high risk?**

If the measurements taken during your appointment identify you as a person at high risk for diabetes the healthcare professional will take a sample of your blood for testing to determine if you have diabetes or not. The medical team will then contact you with the test results within 4 weeks after the check.

## **Why is the diabetes risk check only for people aged 30 - 70?**

The diabetes risk check is focused on people aged 30 to 70 because certain body and lifestyle factors can start to emerge as potential risk factors for each of us as we get older. By inviting people in this age group to have a diabetes risk check as soon as they can we hope to identify people who might be at risk early so they can take steps to reduce their risk to maintain and improve their health.

## **Does the bus offer anything other than a diabetes risk check?**

Camden Mobile Health is focused on diabetes prevention. This means we do not hold or have access to personal medical records on board and cannot help with routine medical or emergency medical concerns. For routine medical questions please contact your GP. In an emergency always dial 999. Other health services may join us from time to time. Find more information about these services and the full bus schedule at [camden.gov.uk/camden-mobile-health](https://camden.gov.uk/camden-mobile-health)

## **I have a question that is not covered here, who can I contact to find out more?**

If you would like to contact us, please email [mobilehealth@camden.gov.uk](mailto:mobilehealth@camden.gov.uk)

