

Read for Good

Whilst some prefer to continue studies from school, others often opt for a more creative and pastoral approach. During his stay, Ledri made a superb abstract montage of Sonic the Hedgehog. He is pictured here with Jen, our story teller from the charity Read for Good, composing an equally abstract story about the adventures of Elon Musk as a young man. When admissions such as Ledri's extend over a week, interventions such as these can play an important role in recovery.



Hear, Hear to the Volunteers

The school benefits greatly from the variety and wealth of experience introduced through both the Royal Free Charity and University College London volunteers. Our volunteer Anne dedicates her time making hospital admissions as interesting as possible for all our young people. Here she can be seen reviewing simple circuits with Luka until his understanding of the topic is complete.

Learning and Interning

Madeleine Smith and Sam Rebein are the school's most recent interns. Madeleine is a Health Science major at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama and Sam is studying Psychology at Rollins College, Florida. Both have made outstanding contributions to the day to day running of school and we wish them all the very best on their return to the US. Madeleine will now train to become a physician's assistant and Sam's plan is to follow her interests in neuropsychology.



Message from the Headteacher

Final work on alterations at Camden Learning Centre is close to being completed and we are really excited about the possibilities that this new space presents in developing both our Outreach Service and our new Paths programme.

Destinations and outcomes were positive for last year's leavers – including a couple of very good news stories here.

The new cohorts on our Alternative Provision programmes have made an excellent start. Jemma and Marghanita continue to develop their support for the RF Eating Disorder Intensive Service and we now have a growing team of 13 volunteers who enable us to extend our offer to young people across all sites.

On Nov 30th Jemma and our EP Dr Cat Halligan will be running a free national event for the Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health on our 'LinkEd Up' programme. You can sign up here [ACAMH EBSA EVENT](#)

Alex Yates

Results and Destinations

After 2 years of Teacher Assessed Grades, this year's cohort sat actual exams for the first time. Despite the challenging circumstances of the previous years, all of our young people approached the exams with a great sense of purpose and maturity, and have now secured positions either in work, education or within an apprenticeship. We were also very pleased to provide examinations for 12 private candidates from the local community who can now embark on the next stage of their education.



You're Hired!



Ilesma successfully completed her GCSE's at our Day School programme and has now enrolled onto the NHS Apprentice Nursing scheme – not to be confused with the one run by Sir Allen Sugar. Ilesma was pleased to discover that her first placement is on the same floor as the paediatric ward, so dropped by to say hello and said: "I am learning so much, I cant believe I am taking blood pressure and bloods. Fortunately everyone is so kind and helpful."



Dates for Academic Year 2022-23:

Autumn term 1	Mon 5 Sept - Fri 21 Oct
Autumn term 2	Mon 31 Oct - Fri 16 Dec
Spring term 1	Wed 4 Jan - Fri 10 Feb
Spring term 2	Mon 20 Feb - Fri 31 Mar
Summer term 1	Mon 17 Apr - Fri 26 May
Summer term 2	Mon 5 June - Weds 19 July

INSET Day 3	Tues 3 Jan 2023
INSET Day 4	Thurs 20 July 2023
INSET Day 5	Fri 21 July 2023



Fantastic Fundraising

Chris Seth, Sandy Hendry and Steve Green, our deputy headteacher, raised over £5000 cycling to Brighton (and back) for the Royal Free Charity. The school would like to send a huge thanks to Bloomberg, who match-funded the money raised by Sandy. Steve said: "It was a great sportive, cycling with over 20,00 other cyclists through stunning countryside, all encouraging each other, with the added benefit of raising money for a charity which performs such brilliant work, both within and beyond the hospital."



Innovation



Growth



Service Improvement



Application Transformation



Data

Charnwood Diabetes Camp 2023

Next year's summer camp for children and families with type 1 diabetes will be taking place from **Wednesday 26th July to Sunday 30th**. With money raised by the Royal Free Charity, the school is now in a position to fund up to 10 families to attend this wonderfully empowering experience, receiving support, guidance and, most importantly, the opportunity to share their experiences with other families and children of all ages with the same condition. Please contact the school to take advantage of this great opportunity.

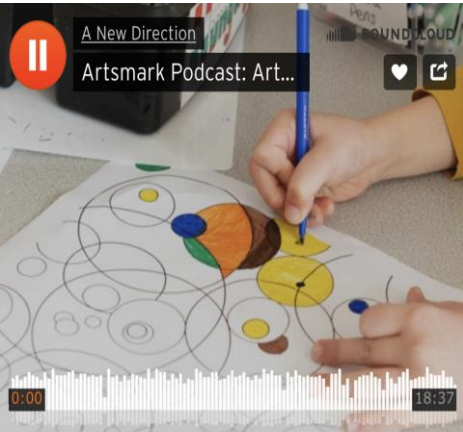


Jack Petchey Award Winner

This term's winners of the Jack Petchey award are Amar and Lucca. Amar has been an inspiration improving allergy awareness amongst his fellow pupils, and provided Epipen training to fellow pupils in after school clubs, whilst Lucca continues to demonstrate outstanding progress, achieving almost 100% attendance since September and excellent contributions to classroom discussion. Both intend to use the award to fund celebratory trips to the cinema and crazy golf with their friends.

Laptops for the CLC

As our capacity increases, the £5,000 grant from the London Metropolitan Police, specifically intended to improve the delivery of our IT and digital offer, could not have come at a more convenient time. The school would like to extend our gratitude to the CEO, Paul Finnis, who authorised the payment. The grant will be used to purchase Chromebooks and related equipment for our Thomas Group and Outreach provisions, operating from the City Learning Centre (CLC).



Arts Award Podcast

As a result of achieving Platinum award earlier this year, we were delighted to be invited to talk on a Podcast with Artsmark's expert officer Lynne Brackley. We spoke about our journey towards achieving the award as a specialist setting. We delved into how we use the arts as a platform to re-engage students not only with school, but with society, helping them develop resilience and the confidence to express themselves. [Link to Podcast](#)

My New Career

This term, John Howley, in his capacity as lead for Life and Leisure, has provided a detailed careers curriculum to guarantee the best post-16 outcomes for all our young people on our Day School. Sixth Form and College open evening dates have been emailed to all, and we strongly advise visiting the institutions of interest before making applications. Melanie Tie, from the Education Development Trust, is our new careers advisor and has been conducting interviews throughout the term. We also look forward to our trip to the Careers Fair at London Excel, 26 November.