For children looked after and care experienced young people

MONTHLY NEWS

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The Euston Skills Centre

<u>Teaching construction in</u> <u>our communities</u>

Opportunities and discounts for care leavers via the Care Leavers Covenant



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Welcome

...to our fifth regular bulletin for all Camden children looked after and care experienced young people.

There's plenty of news to keep you up-to-date with opportunities, things to do and support you may need.





If you have any feedback, comments, or items that you would like to include in future issues, please email:

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Sports Education and Training Programme for 16 to 19-year-olds

The Sports Education and Training Programme is an amazing opportunity for young people aged 16 to 19 who want to pursue careers in sport and physical activity.

The programme means students can achieve accredited qualifications in activity leadership, sports coaching and sports development.

Many students go on to paid employment as sports coaches, play workers, fitness instructors and teaching assistants. The programme can also lead to a university place on coaching or teaching related courses.

<u>The programme</u> is run in partnership with <u>LaSWAP Sixth Form</u>, where applications are open until **14 February 2025**.

If you require any further information or would like an informal discussion and a tour of the campus please email lee.davis@camden.gov.uk or sophie.fogarty2@camden.gov.uk.





New guide helps
Camden
students choose
education, training
and career
paths

What you decide to do after Year 11 is important for your future. Your choices can affect how easily you get a job or continue your education later.

At 16, you can either stay in full-time education or start working in a job that includes part-time education, such as an apprenticeship or training.

The new <u>Camden Post-16 Prospectus</u> includes lots of useful information and short videos explaining the different learning paths students can take and the local options available.

Other information and support

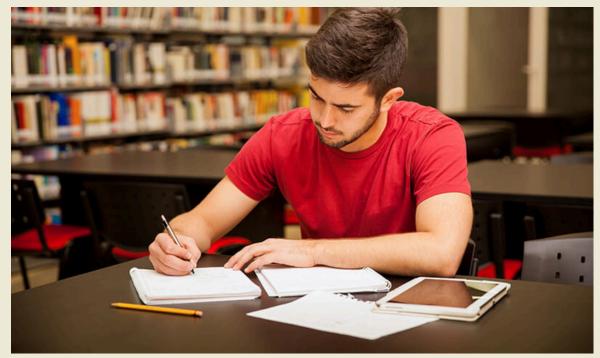
Camden sixth forms and colleges

- Good Work Camden Apprenticeships, Job Hub and Euston Skills Centre
- Careers and Connexions advice and support
- <u>Camden Young Talent Guarantee</u>



Free and lowcost winter holiday activities for children and young people

- Camden Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme runs from 23 December to 3 January and is open for children and young people aged 5 to 16 who live in Camden and are eligible for free school meals. The programme offers free, fun activities and nutritional education. A free hot meal is included as part of each day's activities. The Camden HAF programme is co-ordinated by Young Camden Foundation on behalf of the Council, with funding from the Department for Education. Find out more and book
- Sports and physical activities. These include Kids Swim for a
 Quid, Mini Gymnastics Holiday Camp for ages 4 to 7 and the
 Multi-Sports Holiday Scheme for ages 8 to 12. Find out more
 and book
- Play and youth activities. For play and youth activities near you, visit the youth clubs and projects page on Camden Rise website.



Being an estranged young person or care leaver shouldn't mean being left behind

The <u>Unite Foundation scholarship</u> offers a rent-free, year-round #HomeAtUniversity, which means you can go to university, stay at university and finish your course, just like anybody else.

If you want to find out what university life is like, and the many benefits of a rent-free #HomeAtUniversity, follow us on Instagram, Tik Tok and <a href="X (Twitter).

Applications for support in 2025/26 open on **1 January 2025**.

Find out more about the scholarship and apply

Education, training and work

Camden Job Hub

ACCESS ONE-TO-ONE SUPPORT FROM A JOB HUB ADVISOR FOR:

- CAREERS GUIDANCE AND ACCESS TO PRE-EMPLOYMENT COURSES AND TRAINING
- ADVICE ON SEARCHING FOR WORK EXPERIENCE, JOBS OR APPRENTICESHIPS
- SUPPORT WITH CVS, APPLICATIONS AND INTERVIEWS
- ADVICE ON BENEFITS, DEBT AND OTHER MONEY-RELATED MATTERS
- SPECIALIST SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE
 WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS
- FIND OUT MORE:
 GOODWORK.CAMDEN.GOV.UK



Looking for your first job since leaving school or college? Or maybe a part-time job to support you while you are studying? Then take a look at the range of job opportunities we have available in and around King's Cross to take that first step onto your career ladder.



Learn more about our **Camden Young Talent Guarantee** by visiting Camden
Rise website.



<u>Camden Apprenticeships</u> team creates apprenticeship opportunities exclusively for local people. <u>Apprenticeships</u> are paid jobs which offer hands-on work experience alongside training. They are open to anyone aged 16 plus. <u>Find out more</u>

Careers and Connexions

Camden <u>Careers and Connexions</u>
<u>service</u> offers careers guidance, as well as advice and support on education, work and training – so you can find opportunities that are right for you.

<u>The service</u> is for young people aged 13 to 19, or up to 25 for young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Care leaver covenant

Information on support for care leavers in apprenticeships or other employment - view the interactive pdf



From job opportunities to special experiences

- There are university and college-based Opportunities and Career Opportunities which can be filtered down into types, such as Paid and Mentoring. Fine-tuning further into the sectors you are interested in, for example Construction, Digital & Tech. You can also select opportunities in your area.
- Take a look around and if you have any questions, get in touch (contact details below) and we'll be happy to help.

How do I sign up to access opportunities?

Please sign up to our care leaver community, <u>Connects here</u>.
Connects will keep you informed about all the new and upcoming opportunities here at The Covenant.

Aged 16-25?



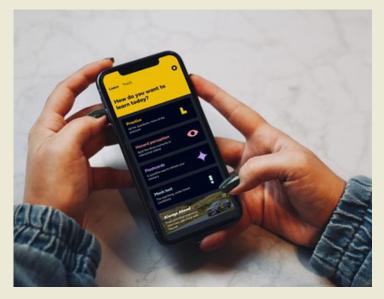
The Covenant is funded to support 16 to 25-year-olds in England. However, if you need support and are not in contact with your local authority, get in touch and we will assess how we can support you.

Contact the Care Leaver Covenant

Website; Tel: 0800 077 3557; Email: info@mycovenant.org.uk

Travel and transport support

To support care experienced young people to become competent and safe drivers, the AA Charitable Trust will provide free of charge the AA Driving School Theory Test App, which you can use to prepare yourself for the theory test. The app is easy to use and provides information, example tests and users can track their progress in readiness for their test.



AA Driving School Theory Test App,



Discounted bus and tram travel for care experienced young people - 50% discount - Oyster photocard transport TFL).

Before you apply

To take part in the scheme, you need to tell your responsible London borough that you're interested in applying. If you're eligible, they'll share your data with TfL and you can then apply.







Free prescriptions for care experienced young people

In North Central London, care experienced young people can apply for a **free Prescription Prepayment Certificate** so they do not have to pay for prescribed medication.

Who is eligible?

You are eligible for a free Prescription Prepayment Certificate if you are:

- a care experienced young person from Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey or Islington. It doesn't matter where you live now
- aged 18 to 24, up to your 25th birthday
- registered with a GP
- not already eligible for free prescriptions for another reason.

How do I apply?

To apply for the <u>Prescription Prepayment Certificate</u>, you need to contact your personal advisor at your local authority's leaving care service. They will help you to fill in a form and apply on your behalf for the certificate. You will need an email address you can access and must be registered with a GP. Where you're already eligible for free prescriptions through existing national exemptions, you will be supported to access that entitlement.