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Thanks,

David

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**To:** Fowler, David <[David.Fowler@camden.gov.uk](mailto:David.Fowler@camden.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** I Support Abacus Belsize Primary

Hi David

I am writing to share with you my support for Abacus Belsize Primary.

When I was looking for a school for my four year old son, I called Camden Council and was put through to someone in the Camden Primary School Admissions team. She kindly took my postcode and then there was a long pause. "Oh", she said. Then she said, "It seems that you live in primary school black hole of Camden. There are no primary schools near you and the nearest are religious schools." To say my heart sank would be to put it mildly.

I am thankful each and everyday that we found Abacus Belsize Primary 6 years ago and I am proud to be one of the founding families.

When the school was at the WAC centre the children and I walked to school each and every morning. Often taking the C11 bus home in the afternoon. I do not own a car. We cycle, walk, bus or tube everywhere we go.

The neighbourhood needs a non-religious, non-fee paying school. There are families in the community who do wish to send their children to private education or who cannot afford to. Also, there are many families of non-christian faith or no faith at all, who are left with no alternative when faith schools are not an option.

The building needs to be part of the community again instead of gathering dust and falling into decay. When my daughter heard the school was going to be in the police station she asked if her uniform would change to a police woman's uniform! -

If have you any questions or would like to discuss the importance of the school further, please do not hesitate to call me on [REDACTED]

Kind regards

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