

# SCS Update

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November



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Dear Families,

We hope this finds you well as we approach the seasonal change with colder weather.

## Tuesday 10:00-11:30am workshops Parent/Carer Coffee Mornings

- **19th November: Positive Behaviour Support:** This is a session with our Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) Mentors and the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) professional to discuss PBS approaches in the home setting.
- **26th November:** Camden Attendance & Inclusion Officer Shuma is back by popular demand with a focus on housing
- **27th November: Complex Continuous Medical Needs:** This session is an opportunity to meet others who understand the challenges and joy of caring for children with complex needs. You will also be able to share resources, tips and ideas in a supportive environment.

**18th November 2024 - Upper School Photo Day:** The Upper School photos will be taken on Monday, 18th November 2024. Order forms for all pupils will come to you from the company with the school photos once they complete this session.

**Evidence for Learning Family Portal:** Your child's online learning journal will be updated this half term

- Week of 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 (next week)
- Week of 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Week of 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Please contact if you need any support with login or training with the Evidence for Learning portal.

**External Workshops and Events:** Camden MOSAIC will be hosting a series of workshops at Swiss Cottage School on Mondays from January 2025. They are informal sessions for parents of adolescents covering a range of topics from 'What to Expect', 'Identity and Independence', 'Adult Relationships' and more. [Click here](#) or on the flyer to access more information and to book a place. Interpreters are available on request.

**Term Dates:** The school term dates are located on the school website and the last day of the Autumn Term is 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

<https://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/parents/termdates>

Wishing all families a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Sincerely,  
Swiss Cottage School


**Camden MOSAIC**  
*Group for parents  
of adolescents with extra needs - 2025  
at Swiss Cottage School*

OPEN TO PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AT ANY CAMDEN SCHOOL  
Interpreters are available if you let us know in advance


Monday mornings from 10am to 11am on:  
Monday 13 Jan 2025 **ADOLESCENCE - WHAT TO EXPECT**  
Monday 20 Jan 2025 **FRIENDSHIPS**  
Monday 17 Feb 2025 **SEXUALITY**  
Monday 24 Feb 2025 **IDENTITY AND INDEPENDENCE**  
Monday 10 Mar 2025 **SIBLINGS**  
Monday 24 Mar 2025 **YOUR ADULT RELATIONSHIPS**

**WE ARE INFORMAL, FRIENDLY AND WILLING TO LISTEN  
– COME ALONG AND TRY A SESSION**

Group run by Susan Cottam and Will Parkinson  
from Camden MOSAIC CAMHS  
Contact us on 020 3317 2261 or [susan.cottam@nhs.net](mailto:susan.cottam@nhs.net) or  
[william.parkinson@nhs.net](mailto:william.parkinson@nhs.net) if you would like to come



**Coffee Morning**  
at Swiss Cottage School



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**For parents/carers of children with complex, continuous medicals needs.**

We warmly invite you to join us for a coffee morning with other parents/ carers of children with complex, continuous medical needs.

This will be a welcoming space to connect, share experiences and support one another.

**This meet up is an opportunity to:**

- Meet others who understand the challenges and joy of caring for children with complex needs.
- Share resources, tips and ideas in a supportive environment
- Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea in good company.

**Whether you are looking to chat, listen or simply have a quiet moment with others who understand, we'd love to see you there!**

**Details:**  
Date: Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 2024  
Time: 10.00am  
Location: Swiss Cottage school or virtually

[Click here for more information](#)

**Camden's SEND Local Offer Live Launch: Monday 25 November, 10am to 1pm**

Supporting children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families

Come to our **Local Offer Live event on Monday 25 November**. Drop in anytime **between 10am and 1pm** at the Crowndale Centre, 218 Everholt Street, NW1 1BD to find out more about local services and support.



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families.camden.gov.uk/send-local-offer



[Click here for more information](#)

**CAMDEN Special Parents Forum**

**Introduction to SEND workshop**  
For Camden parents & carers of children and young people, up to the age of 25 with additional needs.



**When:** Tuesday 26th November, 10:30am – 2pm  
**Where:** Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, NW5 1LB

**We will cover.....**

- Definitions used within special educational needs and disability.
- Education processes for children or young people with SEND.
- Educational legislation and resources.
- Where to seek further advice and guidance.

This very informative session will be delivered by J. Jie Bidgway who is the manager for Camden's SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Advice and Support Service).

Refreshments will be provided.

**To book onto this session please contact:**  
Aisha on 07385 033 662 or email [aisha.mohammed@kids.org.uk](mailto:aisha.mohammed@kids.org.uk)  
Or Nazisha on 07711 767 256 or email [Nazisha.Berges@kids.org.uk](mailto:Nazisha.Berges@kids.org.uk)

<https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum>  
Please do keep an eye on Facebook for general information.



**Kids** Special Parents Forum

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**Free Online Dental Health Advice sessions for Parents & Carers via TEAMS**

Whittington Health **NHS**



**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November - 13:00 - Parents & Carers of SEN Children**  
[Join the meeting now](#)  
Meeting ID: 319 744 581 474  
Passcode: 206XG

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November - 10:00 - All Parents & Carers**  
[Join the meeting now](#)  
Meeting ID: 235 180 484 665  
Passcode: W61KX

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - 10:30 - All Parents & Carers**  
[Join the meeting now](#)  
Meeting ID: 256 095 194 246  
Passcode: LK6TSA

Sessions held by: Nicola Ramonina (Oral Health Promoter)

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**CAMDEN Special Parents Forum**

**Join us for our AUTUMN Walk & Talk sessions**



Our popular Walk & Talk sessions are led by AI who herself is a Camden parent. This is a chance to get together with other parents who all share the experience of having a child with additional needs and/or learning disabilities. Talk about your problems, get some emotional support and find possible solutions. Everyone gets some time to talk and to learn from each other's experiences. Midway we stop off for a coffee at the café in Hampstead. You are also welcome even if you just want to walk and listen. You will feel great after a walk on the Heath with us – so why not come along?

**When:** Mondays: 30<sup>th</sup> Sept, 14<sup>th</sup> Oct, 18<sup>th</sup> Nov & 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024  
**Time:** 10.15am – 12.30pm  
**Where:** Hampstead Heath - Meet by the water fountain/cafe/ollers on Hampstead Heath by the Parliament Hill side of the Heath near the tennis courts (bus access from C2 or 214 or C13 get off at Parliament Hill (leave bus stop))  
**What:** Wear appropriate clothing as we will rain or shine, and please be on time!  
Please let AI know if you're coming and also if you have to cancel but include so we don't wait. AI: 07788 521693  
Keep an eye on Facebook, add your name to our contact list and keep in touch.  
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**CAMDEN Special Parents Forum**

**Autumn Calendar 2024**

Welcome to our Autumn Calendar of events, workshops and meetings for any parent, carer in Camden with a child or young person (0-25 years) with special needs. Whether you are seeking guidance, looking to share your experiences or simply hoping to connect with other parents or carers, our calendar has something for everyone. Please join us!

Coffee Mornings are a chance to meet other parents for a chat & to share advice and info. Walk and Talks are relaxed walks on Hampstead Heath and a chance to get together with other parents, have a cup of coffee along the way and just talk about anything and everything. Workshops are held each term on different subjects. Forum Meetings are when we get together as parents with different professionals from services in and around Camden – all opinions, get updates and give feedback.

You will need to book in to join our sessions. To book onto anything on our calendar below, get on our mailing list or to find out more please get in touch:  
[Nazisha.Berges@kids.org.uk](mailto:Nazisha.Berges@kids.org.uk) Text or call Nazisha on 07711 767 256 Or contact Aisha.Mohammed@kids.org.uk Text or Call Aisha 07385 033 662  
We are on Facebook – [www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum](https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum) and Twitter @CamdenSPForum

**Sept**

13 Wed Forum coffee morning, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Kilburn Sports of Mind, The Play Hub, Kilburn Square Park, NW5 4UB  
14 Wed Parent Forum morning, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
14 Sat Small SEN Morning, 10am-12pm @ Crowndale Centre, 218 Everholt Street, Mornington Crescent, NW1 1BD (National Event)  
18 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm @ Hampstead Heath

**Oct**

1 Tue Movement, education and lunch, 12pm-2pm @ North Tynes Congregational Church, Kelly Street, North Tynes  
1 Wed Forum Meeting, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
14 Mon CAMHS Morning for carers/workshops, 10.30am-12pm @ apt (online)

**Nov**

13 Tue Movement, education and lunch, 12pm-2pm @ North Tynes Congregational Church, Kelly Street, North Tynes  
14 Wed Coffee Morning, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
18 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm @ Hampstead Heath  
19 Mon Parent Forum meeting, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
24 Tue Family Hub Coffee Morning (SEND Parents, Carers 0-5 years), 10.30am-12pm @ Harwood Family Hub, 1 Forge Place, Harwood St, NE5 1BD

**Dec**

1 Tue Movement, education and lunch, 12pm-2pm @ North Tynes Congregational Church, Kelly Street, North Tynes  
4 Wed Parent Meeting, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
5 Thu Creative writing with Paul Cook, 10am-12pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
11 Fri Parent's Health Evening, 5.30pm-7pm @ Woodland Centre, 19 Greenwood Place, North Tynes  
14 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm @ Hampstead Heath

[Click here for more information](#)

