

SCS Newsletter

24th April 2026



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Dear Families,

This week's newsletter is centred on our **Swiss Cottage School Charity**, which over the years has raised money for many activities and resources that we could not otherwise afford. Highlights include purchasing the school minibuses to access community trips, paying for residential trips for our older pupils, paying for the sensory rooms in the school, paying for specialist visitors and performances – all of these additions have been vital to support our children and young people, who deserve the very best.



Many of you will be aware that schools across the country are struggling with shrinking budgets. Special school base funding has not increased since 2013, and the top up fee that the Local Authority gives per pupil has failed to rise with inflation and in line with other specialist provisions in Camden, so the work of the charity is more important than ever.

This term, we are aiming to raise just over £5000 to invest in a new set of **playground resources, such as those pictured alongside.**



To this end, we are asking for families to attend the **coffee morning coming up on May 12th** to help us **plan fundraising and promote the work of the charity.** Please do come along to this, as well as any of the upcoming Coffee Morning dates listed below.

Upcoming Coffee Mornings (Tuesdays at 10am):

Dates	Theme
Tuesday 28 th April	Relationships and Sex Education Relationships and Sex Education session with a focus on healthy and safe relationships and what that looks like within our curriculum, led by Morgane (Assistant Principal) and Akosua (Positive Behaviour Lead)
Tuesday 5 th May	Regular Coffee Morning This is a regular coffee morning with the Family Inclusion Team. You can just come for a coffee and chat or to seek general support or advice from the team.
Tuesday 12 th May	Fundraising and School Charity We are asking families to attend and support senior leads and the Charity Trustees to plan a fundraising event and to promote the work of the charity. Your attendance, as always, is appreciated.

On May 9th, a choir will be singing at a local church to raise money for the charity (see the flyer below for Fellow Singers – Pure Gold concert). It takes place at 5pm at St Saviour’s Church, Eton Road, NW3 4SU, and anyone who would like to attend is most welcome.

For families who are able to donate to the charity, you can do so on the [JustGiving page](#) or you can get in touch with fundraising@swisscottage.camden.sch.uk and arrange directly with our finance team.

Thank you for your support,
 Syra Sowe
 Principal



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