

25th September 2020

Dear Parents, Carers, and Families,

We hope this finds you well as we approach the end of the third full week back at school. Pupils and classes are working hard within the Transition Curriculum to settle into structures and routines with the 'bubble zone' changes. The learning in class is vibrant, creative, and supporting the wellbeing of the pupils.

Medium Term Planning

The Medium Term planning for your child's learning was sent home in your child's bag. This gives a broad overview of the themes and focus for learning. We hope this supports potential links in the home environment. Please email your class teacher if you have not received it or need another copy and they will organise that for you.

PLIMs - Personal Learning Intention Maps

We are reflecting on the full four weeks of learning within the 'Transition Curriculum' to shape your child's 'Personal Learning Intention Maps'. The PLIMs will come home to you during the 5th week. This will be in your child's bag during the week of 5th October 2020. Your teacher will inform you that week so that you know it is headed home.

Evidence for Learning

'Evidence for Learning' is the protected and secure online electronic learning journal that we use to share your child's learning journey. It is active across the school now to share your child's learning experiences and provide updates to you through videos and images. We welcome uploads from experiences in the home environment and beyond the school day so that we can bring that into our reflections on your child's progress. Please email your teacher if you need any support to log into your child's protected and secure Evidence for Learning journal. They will be able to guide you with next steps.

World Education Week



We are incredibly proud to share that our school community is one of the 100 schools selected to showcase best practice for the international 'World Education Week'. We are 1 of 7 schools in the UK to feature, and one of the only special schools amongst the entire global event. This is a reflection of what we have achieved together!

Throughout the week, schools have a one hour feature on best practice related to key themes. Swiss Cottage School, DRC will feature on Thursday, 8th October 4-5pm and focus on our use of technology. We are also honoured to be sponsored by 'Evidence for Learning'. The events are free and located here: <https://www.eventbrite.dk/e/t4-world-education-week-tickets-116951472001?aff=Swisscottage> Be sure to book a place for our event on 8th October 4-5pm and spread the word on twitter with @SwissCottageSch @T4EduC @EFL_Insights #WorldEducationWeek

Fundraising Campaign



Swiss
Cottage
School
Charity

The School Charity launched a fundraising campaign to purchase a COVID-19 testing machine that provides accurate results in 90 minutes. This is following the impact of delays in staff and families receiving test results and limited access to testing. The Prime Minister's address to the nation on Tuesday night with the rise in COVID-19 cases confirms that we need a testing solution on-site. Please share this campaign with any friends or family members that work with companies that donate to charities. The Senior Team and Charity Trustees (<https://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/support-us/fundraising/>) are available to share information donors will need to consider a significant donation that links to their company's targets.

Thank you for the support throughout the start of this academic year. It really is wonderful to feel the energy and excitement of learning across the school. We know these are unsettling times with the rising number of cases of COVID-19 in London and across the country. We are focused on being ready for any situation to ensure you and your child are supported and safe. We hope you have a good weekend.

Warm wishes,



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Principal



Becky Shaw,
Vice Principal



Rima Blakaj,
School Business
Manager



Lucy Hall,
Assistant
Principal



Laura Fawcett,
Assistant
Principal
(Lower)



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(Upper)



**We must
keep on
protecting
each other.**



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

STAY ALERT • CONTROL THE VIRUS • SAVE LIVES

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