Dear Families,

October is Black History Month and the school curriculum will include a focus on different activities across pathways. Classes will explore art, music, stories, people, and more. We will end this half term with activities bringing classes together to take part in sensory activities celebrating the topics.

Camden is sharing their 4th annual Black History Season to all families which promises to be the biggest and best programme yet – with events and activities ranging from art exhibitions, workshops, live music and history talks to poetry, supper clubs and much more. They will be shining a light on the borough's most influential leaders, activists and changemakers, giving you the chance to learn and explore the past, present and future of Black culture. The full programme is located here:

www.lovecamden.org/blackhistoryseason

19th October 2023: We want to celebrate the diversity of our incredible community every half term. Pupils are invited to come to school in the traditional heritage clothing to celebrate the beauty of our diverse community.

Update from the Finance Team: We have set up a new online payment system, called School Gateway, for families to pay for school dinners and uniform. For more information on how to register, please follow the link to the guide at the end of this newsletter. If you need any support, please contact: finance@swisscottage.camden.sch.uk

Seasonal COVID-19 Vaccine: You may be able to get a seasonal COVID-19 vaccine if you're at increased risk of getting seriously ill from COVID-19. You can find more information on the NHS website: https://www.england.nhs.uk/london/our-work/covid-19-vaccine-sites-in-london/

Wishing all of our families a fun weekend.

Yours Sincerely, Swiss Cottage School

Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4th September to Thursday 21st December 2023

Monday 4th September: Staff training day

- no school for pupils

Tuesday 5th September: **Staff training day**

- no school for pupils

Wednesday 6th September: First day for

pupils

Monday 16th October: **Staff training day - no**

school for pupils

Half-term: Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th

October 2023

Winter Holiday: Friday 22nd December 2023 to

Friday 5th January 2024

Spring Term 2024

Monday 8th January to Thursday 28th March 2024

Monday 8th January: **Staff training day - no**

school for pupils

Half-term: Monday 12th February to Friday 16th

February 2024

Spring Holiday: Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April 2024 (Easter weekend 29th March – 1st April)

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15th April to Wednesday 24th July 2024

Friday 28th June: **Staff training day -** *no school for*

pupils

Half-term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

2024

Wednesday 24th July 2024: Last day for pupils



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