

SCS Newsletter

12th January 2024



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Dear Families,

Happy New Year! We hope all families had an enjoyable holiday period. We are looking forward to a positive and exciting Spring Term. This week's newsletter is sharing key information to help us work together during this short half term.

Week 1: 8th – 12th January: Today you will receive important learning information in your child's bag. Spring Term Class Timetable, Curriculum Pathway Medium Term Plan, Learning Targets (known as Personal Learning Intention Map), and Overview of classmates and teaching team. The pack also includes your child's Autumn Term attendance and progress report.

Week 2: 15th – 19th January: The optional Autumn Term progress meetings with the class teacher are scheduled. Thank you for completing the form if you planned to attend the optional progress meeting. The technology team will also be available if you require any tech support for Evidence for Learning. Tuesday, 16th January 10-11:30am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include members of the Camden Special Parents Forum.

Week 3: 22nd – 26th January: The 'Evidence for Learning' journal upload into the family portal is during this week.

Week 4: 29th January – 2nd February: Tuesday, 30th January 10-11:30am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include a member of the Camden Local Authority Team to share information about the Local Authority's Autism Strategy.

Week 5: 5th February – 9th February: 'Evidence for Learning' journal upload into the family portal is during this week.

12th February – 16th February: Half Term Break

Home – School Communication: Day to day communication between the home and class teacher is through the 'home-school communication book'. Please continue to use this. Teachers and the class team are preparing the day's learning activities from 8:30-9:30 and teaching from 9:30-3:30. The teacher is able to pick up phone call messages and emails from the school day at 3:45-4:00pm. If you email after school hours (4:30pm to 8:30am) it will be picked up by the class teacher at 3:45pm the next day. We also communicate with you through a weekly newsletter. This is sent via email, text, and through the school website.

2024-2025 Term Dates: The school term dates for 2024-2025 are confirmed and located here: www.swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/parents/termdates

Wishing all of our families an enjoyable weekend.

Yours Sincerely,
Swiss Cottage School

Term Dates 2023/24

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**

CAMDEN SEND PARENT/CARER SESSION






Survey Feedback
We want to share the results of the November 2023 survey and what you told us about your experiences



SEND Strategy
We want to show how your feedback has influenced our work and plans



Next Steps
We want to share and discuss our next steps for working with families and improving services

Wednesday 17th January 2024
10:30 - 12:00

The Greenwood Centre,
37 Greenwood Place,
London, NW5 1LB

Camden
Find the Centre in Google Maps

[Click here for more information](#)


Mencap's Newsletter

Christmas Edition October – Dec 23

At Mencap, we are pleased to be working in partnership with Swiss Cottage School to deliver our Employ Me programme. We're supporting young people to develop employability skills and provide experience in a work-based setting, via work experience. The Employ Me in Schools helps manage the transition from classroom-based learning to a vocational programme.

Over the months, I have been working to provide unique and enriching work experiences for our students. We are thrilled to report that seven of our students had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the professional world during the last term.

As we reflect on the achievements of the past term, we are excited to share some incredible stories of growth, learning, and exploration from our students. These diverse work experiences have not only exposed our students to different career paths but have also played a crucial role in their personal development. They have learned essential skills such as time management, problem-solving, and building their communication skills that go beyond the classroom and are fundamental for success in any field.



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ESOL English Classes On Thursdays 09:30am-11:30am





Come to enjoy your learning!



Come and make friends!



Get help, apply for jobs or emails.



Skills for life in London



Get a certificate qualification.




Small groups and a lovely teacher!

Swiss Cottage School
80 Avenue Road, London NW8 6HX

Please register your interest

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Dance for Wellbeing for Parents at Swiss Cottage School:

icandance is a creative, therapeutic community using dance and movement to express, connect and support wellbeing. We specialise in working with families with lived experience of disability believing the best outcomes for a disabled child is achieved by supporting the family.

Our sessions are facilitated by experienced Dance Movement Psychotherapists and dance artists who provide a safe, creative space to connect to feelings and experiences through dance and movement whilst also having fun and improving your physical health.

Sessions are interactive and creative working together as a group to move and reflect as we use our bodies as a creative resource. No prior dance experience needed.

Sessions will take place on a weekly basis at Swiss Cottage School on Thursdays from 11:15am to 12:15pm if we get enough interest (look out for a survey by text).

22nd February to 28th March
Visit www.icandance.org.uk to find out more.

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Current limited to 20 places per session and 10 places per term. 7-8pm
Registered charity number: 1137665
www.icandance.org.uk/whoweare/whoweare

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