



Swiss  
Cottage  
School  
Development &  
Research Centre

# SCS Newsletter

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents, Carers, and Families,

We are incredibly proud of your child's engagement in learning across this half term.

They have reflected such motivation for challenging learning, creativity, social interaction, and happiness. We extend a heartfelt appreciation for your support and role in promoting their developments through the strong partnership between home and school.

Teachers are analysing the fantastic steps of achievement reflected in Evidence for Learning to plan the final half term's learning focus.

The pupils have been working so hard throughout the term and here is some of our school displays that reflect some of their learning. Some of the key themes we have been exploring have been around Mental Health and Wellbeing as well as Friendship and our School Community.

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## Unique Arts Award



Students from Swiss cottage school have been working on an installation of clay self-portraits as their entry for the 'Unique Arts Award' competition. On Monday, we found out that their amazing work has made it to the finals, chosen from over 200 entries! Students will be attending an award ceremony and dinner in September where the winners will be announced.

### Half Term - 31st May to 4th June 2021

Next week is the half term break. We look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Monday, 7th June 2021. Please remember that we are changing our bubbles to reduce from 7 bubbles to 5 bubbles. The classes that have this change have received a letter.

<https://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/news/2021-05-21-scs-newsletter-21-05-2021>

Our safety measures remain in place <https://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/our-school/school-safety-measures>

From 7th June:

- Sky Blue bubble, Purple bubble, Pink bubble (stay the same)
- Dark Blue and Green come together as 'Green' Bubble
- Black and Orange come together as 'Orange Bubble.

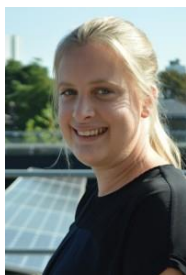
If you have any questions, please call reception.

We wish every family a safe and enjoyable half-term break.

Yours Sincerely,  
The Senior Leadership Team



Vijita Patel  
Principal



Becky Shaw  
Vice Principal



Mia Dodsworth  
Vice Principal



Lucy Hall  
Assistant Principal



Laura Fawcett  
Assistant Principal  
(Lower)



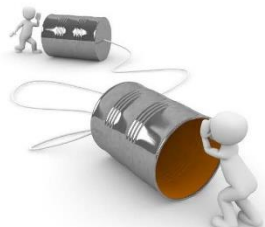
Matthew Maguire  
Assistant Principal  
(Upper)



Rima Blakaj  
School Business  
Manager

## TOTAL COMMUNICATION

A workshop for Camden parents of children with learning disabilities of any age who are not yet using spoken language to communicate



**When** Wednesday 9 June, 10.30-12.30pm  
**Where** Virtual meeting on ZOOM (You must book a space)

**This workshop will be suitable for anyone with a non-verbal child or a child who has some words but does not use them very functionally to communicate with others. (This could be a child any age)**


We will explore ways of building children's communication using a range of strategies such as pictures, objects and signs. There will be time for you to ask questions and share your experiences with other parents during the course of the session.

The workshop will be delivered by NHS Speech and Language therapists from the Camden Complex Needs Team (Nicole Palanyandi) and the Child Development Team (Thea Macaulay)

To book onto this session please email [maria.schultz@kids.org.uk](mailto:maria.schultz@kids.org.uk),  
call or text 07826 671 523  
<https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum>



[Click here for more information](#)

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### Term Dates & Diary

**Autumn Term 2021**

Wednesday 1st September to Friday 17th December 2021

Wednesday 1st September 2021: Staff training day – no school for pupils

Thursday 2nd September 2021: Staff training day – no school for pupils

Friday 3rd September 2021: First day for pupils

Monday 18th October: Staff training day – no school for pupils

**Half Term:** Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October 2021

Friday 17th December 2021: Last day for pupils

**Winter Holiday:** Monday 30th December 2021 to Monday 3rd January 2022

**Spring Term 2022**

Tuesday 4th January to Friday 1st April 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022: First day for pupils

Friday 28th January: Staff training day – no school for pupils

**Half Term:** Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February 2022

Friday 1st April 2022: Last day for pupils

**Spring Holiday:** Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April 2022

**Summer term 2022**

Tuesday 19th April to Friday 22nd July 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022: First day for pupils

Monday 2nd May 2022: May Day Bank Holiday – no school for pupils

**Half Term:** Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Monday 4th July 2022: Staff training day – no school for pupils

Friday 22nd July 2022: Last day for pupils

**Summer Holiday:** Monday 25th July 2022

[Click here to view term dates](#)

CAMDEN   
Special Parents Forum

### SUMMER Calendar 2021

Welcome to our SUMMER Calendar of events, workshops and socially distanced meet-ups for anyone in Camden with a child or young person (0-25 years) with special needs. We will continue our COVID-friendly programme so that we can still "meet" and support each other whilst trying to gather views on how SEND services in Camden could be shaped. Please join us!

**ZOOM Coffee Mornings** are a chance to meet other parents for a chat & to share advice and info. **Walk and Talks** are reserved 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, currently on Zoom. **Forum Meetings** are when we get together as parents with different professionals from services in and around Camden – ask questions, get updates and give feedback.

**You will need to book in to get Zoom links & join our sessions. To book onto anything in our calendar below, get on our mailing list or to find out more please get in touch: Rachel.Dixon@kids.org.uk or Maria.Schultz@kids.org.uk. Text or call Maria on 07826 671 523 or Rachel on 07711 767 258. We are on Facebook – www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum and Twitter @CamdenSPForum**

**April**

21 Wed Sleep Wise Webinar: 10.30-12pm (Limited Tickets available)

22 Thur Special Yoga with Emma, 10.30-11.30am on ZOOM

25 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15-12.30pm, Hampstead Heath

**May**

5 Wed Parent Expert Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am on ZOOM

10 Mon RP Parent Discussion Group 1-2pm

12 Wed Walk and Talk, 10.15-12.30pm, Hampstead Heath

17 Mon CSPT Forum meeting 10-12pm on ZOOM

20 Thur Preparing for Adulthood event week! (Put it in your diary - info to follow!)

24 Mon Special Yoga with Emma, 10.30-11.30am on ZOOM

26 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15-12.30pm, Hampstead Heath

25 Tue EHC Needs Assessment Workshop with SENDASS 10.30-12pm on ZOOM

26 Wed Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am on ZOOM

**June**

9 Wed Speech and Language Therapy Workshop "Total Communication" 10.30-12.30pm on ZOOM

18 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15-12.30pm, Hampstead Heath

22 Tue RP Parent Discussion Group 1-2pm

24 Thur Special Yoga with Emma, 10.30-11.30am on ZOOM

28 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15-12.30pm, Hampstead Heath

**July**

6 Tue CSPT Forum meeting 12-2pm on ZOOM

12 Mon Walk and Talk (and optional SWIM), 10.15-1pm, Hampstead Heath

[Click here to view the full calendar](#)