

SCS Newsletter

17th November 2023



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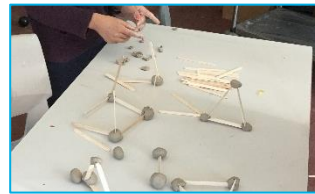
Inclusive
Nurturing
Inspiring

Dear Families,

We hope this finds you well as we feel the seasonal change with the colder weather.

The school puts 'Enrichment' into the school day through lunchtime clubs that are run by our talented staff members. The lunchtime clubs are a way for pupils to take part in activities with their friends, and they also have the option of play in the different school playground zones. We build this into the school day because the majority of our pupils travel home on Local Authority Transport. Class teams link to the specialist team to plan the groupings and rotations.

Cello and free play for Early Years
Inclusive Orchestra
Percussion Club (Lower School)
Percussion Club (Upper School)
Choir
Rap/music tech club
Band
Crochet Club (Sixth Form)
Art Club
Clay Club
Football Club
Yoga Club



London Zoo: The school is a member of the ZSL Education Access Scheme, and we were so pleased to welcome team members from the London Zoo to meet with teachers this week. We are working together to plan curriculum learning at the Zoo across all pathways.

Parent Representative Meeting for Autumn Term: We are in the process of calling all of the allocated parent representatives to confirm their role. The Autumn Term meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday 24th November at 10am. We will schedule a second one for anyone who can't make this time. We will be discussing a fundraising event, arts curriculum workshops, and other interesting topics.

Holiday Food Appeal: We are supporting the Camden Foodbank to bring longlife emergency food parcels to local families in food crisis. Please see the attached flyer and bring any donations to the school reception. Our Sixth Form will be involved in delivering the donation from the Swiss Cottage School community. You can make direct donations to the Foodbank through the addresses or internet shopping details on the flyer. Thank you for your support.

Wishing all families a safe and enjoyable weekend.

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**

URGENT CHRISTMAS APPEAL FROM CAMDEN FOODBANK

PLEASE HELP US TO FEED ADULTS & CHILDREN IN FOOD POVERTY

What food is needed and why?

Camden Foodbank make up longlife emergency food parcels to support local people in food crisis. In order to make up well balanced food packages we need any of the items listed below:

Targeted food needed by Camden Foodbank at Christmas time:

Tinned Meat	Tea/Coffee	Longlife Juice
Tinned Fish	Sugar	Longlife Milk
Tinned Fruit	Cereal	Cooking Oil
Tinned Tomatoes	Baked Beans	Shampoo
Pasta Sauce	Christmas present for Children	Shower Gel/Soap
Pasta/Rice	Christmas Biscuits	Toothbrush
Washing up Liquid	Christmas Sweets	Toothpaste
Washing Powder		Toilet Paper

What are the different ways you can donate food to help local people at Christmas?


- I. Purchase targeted food listed above and **Deliver in person**,
- II. Purchase targeted food listed above and **Send through internet shopping**.

How to donate money?

INDIVIDUAL GIVING THROUGH JUST GIVING for Camden Foodbank click on <https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3445418> 100% of your donation will go directly to Camden Foodbank. We would be grateful if you can also select **GIFT AID** which will increase your donation

FOR CHEQUES/DIRECT DEBITS AND OTHER WAYS OF GIVING <https://camden.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

EVERY £40 RECEIVED IN CASH DONATIONS PAYS FOR ONE EMERGENCY PACKAGE*




A well balanced 3-day emergency for 1 person could mirror the photo above. (Cost per package may vary according to availability*)


Where can the food be delivered to and what times? *

Deliver Food in Person:		
Day	Time	Address
Tuesday & Friday	11.30 am to 3.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.
Wednesday	5.00 pm to 7.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Saturday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Sunday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.
Send by Internet Shopping:		
Any Tuesday or Friday	11.30 am to 2.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.


Camden Foodbank is closed for Christmas from 23rd December 2023 and open again 9th January 2024. *



Camden foodbank
14 Pratt Mews
London NW1 0AD
07871 248704 (Food deliveries only)
info@camden.foodbank.org.uk
www.camden.foodbank.org.uk
Registered Charity in
England & Wales (1084806)




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CAMDEN Special Parents Forum

Join us for our next SEND Forum Meeting

When **Wednesday 22nd November @ 10.30 – 12.30pm**
Where **Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, Kentish Town, NW5 1LB**




Join in to get the latest news from Camden SEN Department (Special Education Needs) and the Disabled Children's Social Care Team.

In this meeting we will be given an update on the CNWL Autism roadmap, the SEND Strategy self-evaluation, the Camden SEN Survey and the new service structure in the disabled children's social care team. It's going to be super informative so do come along.

Open to any parent carer in Camden with a child or young person (0-25 year) with special needs.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGNUP BY MONDAY IF YOU WANT TO JOIN US:
Please email natasha.burgess@kids.org.uk, call or text 07711 767 258
<https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum>



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