

SCS Newsletter

23rd February 2024



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Dear Families,

We hope this finds you well after an enjoyable half term break. We begin the new half term with a focus on the annual World Book Day. It celebrates the love and joys of reading and storytelling. This year World Book Day takes place on 7th March 2024 for the UK and Ireland.

We are planning a range of sensory literacy, reading, and storytelling activities across the week.

- Classes will join an interactive online session: 'Fairy stories with Michael Rosen, Jasbinder Bilan and Allen Fatimaharan'
- We have the Umbrella Theatre Company in school for a sensory performance of the Wind in the Willows!
- Peer reading with pupils from the Upper School reading to classes in the Lower school
- Fun literacy and reading lessons in the school library.
- Inviting families to share reading experiences at home through Evidence for Learning so that your child can share this with their class.

Our 2024 £1/€1.50 books

World Book Day 7 March 2024

Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

World Book Day is a charity sponsored by National Book Tokens.

Illustrated by Vikki Teague

We invite all pupils to dress up as their favourite character for the activities planned on Thursday, 7th March. **Please check your child's home-school book for their World Book Day token** to collect their 2024 free book at a local book store. More information and fun resources are available here:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

27th February 10am Coffee Morning: The Camden Educational Psychologists are leading a workshop on 'Trauma Informed Practice'. Please sign up for this coffee morning so that we can get the space ready. We hope you can join!

Wishing all of our families a safe and 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**

St John's Hospice 40th Anniversary 1984-2024

EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 March 2024
St John's Wood Church Gardens - 10 am to 4 pm

£5 TICKET PRICE

FOLLOW THE EASTER TRAIL TO SEARCH FOR HIDEAWAY BUNNIES

A WEEKEND OF EASTER FUN TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL HOSPICE

With an Easter trail, face painting, rags and crafts, refreshments and more!

Purchase tickets by scanning the QR code or visiting
www.stjohnshospice.org.uk

Winkworth

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Talk to us about MMR

Are you worried that your child may not be fully vaccinated against measles?
Measles cases are increasing in London.

Is your child fully vaccinated against measles?

Measles cases are increasing in London.

What is measles?
Measles is a very contagious viral infection that spreads through the air. It is highly contagious and can be fatal. It is caused by a virus that is spread through the air. It is highly contagious and can be fatal. It is caused by a virus that is spread through the air.

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PARENTS/CARERS DROP IN

TUESDAY 27TH OF FEBRUARY
@10.00am-12.00pm
SWISS COTTAGE SCHOOL

**INTRO TO TIPC:
TRAUMA INFORMED PRACTICE**

Please come along to meet Kate Eldred and Emma Goldstone, our link Educational Psychologists. They will talk about their role at Swiss Cottage, including supporting the school to embed trauma informed practice. There'll be plenty of time to ask any questions if you have any.

If you are interested please contact:
admin@swisscottage.camden.sch.uk

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Family Hubs London SENDIASS

SEND Drop In

For parents with children and young people (0-25) who have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

An opportunity for parents to:

- Receive information and advice about education, health and social care SEND systems and procedures, from initial concerns to appeal processes.
- Speak to someone from the SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS).

Harmood Children's Centre, Family Hub & Nursery, 1 Forpe Place, Ferdinand Street, NW1 3DQ	9:30 am to 12 pm	Tuesday 17 th October 2023 Tuesday 6 th February 2024 Tuesday 21 st May 2024
Regents Park Children's Centre, Family Hub & Nursery, Augustus Street, NW1 3TJ	9:30 am to 12 pm	Wednesday 15 th November 2023 Wednesday 30 th February 2024 Wednesday 12 th June 2024

For more information please contact SENDIASS at sendiass@camden.gov.uk or Family Hubs at familyhubs@camden.gov.uk

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ican dance believe it

Dance for Wellbeing for Parents at Swiss Cottage School:

ican dance 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.ican dance.org.uk to find out more.

ican dance Greenish Community Centre, Leeson Rd 15A, Dublin 7
Tel: 01 452 8422 1737
www.ican dance.org.uk
Company limited by guarantee in Ireland and England
Registered charity number: 115786
www.organiising.org/indemission/dance

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NHS

Do you have a learning disability?
Are you over 14?

start well live well age well

get checked out

Check up Ask your GP for a free annual health check

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Hullabaloo

ADDITIONAL NEEDS SOFT PLAY

UPCOMING DATES

30TH JANUARY
13TH FEBRUARY
27TH FEBRUARY
5TH MARCH
19TH MARCH

ALL SESSIONS ARE 17:15 - 18:00 £2 EACH

EMAIL US TO BOOK YOUR SESSION
hullabaloo@thesheriffcentre.co.uk

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PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH SEND EVENT

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH, 10:00AM - 1:00PM
SWISS COTTAGE LIBRARY MW3 3HA

Come along and talk to various organisations in Camden, who can provide you with information and support for you and your family

An opportunity for you to find out about different activities that can help you relax and support your wellbeing

Delivered by Camden Adult Community Learning in partnership with Camden Libraries

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Music Therapy

Music therapy aims to support physical, emotional and mental wellbeing, develop communication and promote social skills.
In-Deep run free group sessions led by qualified music therapists

Face to face music therapy:
13th January
10th February
9th March

Online music therapy via Zoom:
27th January
24th February
23rd March

Music therapy times:
11:30am-12:20pm (3-10 year olds)
1:00pm-2:00pm (11-18 year olds)
1:00pm-2:00pm (19-25 year olds)

Parent and child relaxation sessions online via Zoom:
18th January - 6:30-7:00pm (all ages)
15th February - 6:30-7:00pm (all ages)
14th March - 6:30-7:00pm (all ages)

Sing and Sign sessions online via Zoom:
25th January - 6:30-7:00pm
22nd February - 6:30-7:00pm
21st March - 6:30-7:00pm

To book, email: emma.chapman@in-deep.org.uk
Follow us on social media! @indeepmusictherapy

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