

# SCS Newsletter



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19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Families,

The final term of this academic year is here! We are looking forward to an incredible term filled with exciting curriculum learning opportunities. We are kicking this off with the National Government Art Archives bringing a famous piece of artwork for sensory art lessons next week across pathways. This week's newsletter gives an overview of this half term.

**Week 1: 15th April - 19th April:** Today you will receive important learning information in your child's bag. Summer 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 Spring Term attendance and progress report.

**Week 2: 22nd April - 26th April:** The optional Spring 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. The 'Evidence for Learning' journal upload into the family portal is during this week. Tuesday, 23rd April 10am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include the NHS Nursing Team.

**Week 3: 29th April - 3rd May:** Tuesday, 30th April 10am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include members from Camden Council.

**Week 4: 6th May - 10th May:** 'Evidence for Learning' journal upload into the family portal is during this week. Monday, 6th May is a national Bank Holiday and the school will be closed.

**Week 5: 13th May - 17th May:** Tuesday, 14th May 10am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include planning for the End of Year International Day.

**Week 6: 20th May - 24th May:** 'Evidence for Learning' journal upload into the family portal is during this week. Tuesday, 21st May 10am Parent/Carer Coffee Morning will include the Camden Educational Psychologist Team with their second session on Trauma Informed Practice.

**Preparation for Adulthood Event:** Camden Council are hosting a fantastic programme on 16th May 10-2:30pm at the Greenwood Centre. This is open to all families with children at Swiss Cottage School age 13-19. Workshops and activities will be a great opportunity to meet key colleagues from adult services, and connect with other parents/carers.

Yours Sincerely,  
Swiss Cottage School

## Term Dates 2023/24

### Summer Term 2024

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Monday 6th May: May Day Bank Holiday – no school for pupils**

**Half-term:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June: **Staff training day - no school for pupils**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024: **Last day for pupils**

**CAMDEN Special Parents Forum**

## Preparing for Adulthood event

**May 16**  
Thursday 16 May, 10am – 2.30pm

**Greenwood Centre**  
37 Greenwood Place  
Kensish Town  
NW5 1LB

Buses 214, C2, 134

**Welcome**

An opportunity to ask questions, find out about services, meet other parents, and chat with staff

- information stalls
- workshops around health, care and support, independent living, autism and decision making
- free lunch & refreshments

To find out more, contact Sharon Stephens on 020 7974 3970 or by emailing [sharon.stephens@camden.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.stephens@camden.gov.uk)

**Camden**

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**CAMDEN Special Parents Forum**

## SUMMER Calendar 2024

Welcome to our SUMMER Calendar of events, workshops and meetings for any parents, carers in Camden with a child or young person (0-25 years) with special needs. Whether you are seeking guidance, looking to share your experiences or simply hoping to connect with other parents or carers, our calendar has something for everyone. Please join us!

**Coffee Mornings** are a chance to meet other parents for a chat & to share advice and info. Walk and Talks are also held 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.

**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 on our calendar below, get our mailing list or to find out more please get in touch:

**Natasha Burgess** @kids.org.uk, Text or call Natasha on 07711 707 258 Or contact **Aisha** @mohammed@kids.org.uk, Text or Call Aisha 07385 003 662.

We are on facebook – [www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum](https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum) and Twitter @CamdenSPForum

**April**  
22 Tue Introduction to SEND workshop (SEND101), 10.30am-12pm @ 37 Greenwood Centre, Kensish Town.  
24 Tue Coffee Morning, 10.30am-11.30am @ 37 Greenwood Centre, Kensish Town.  
25 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm @ Hampstead Heath.

**May**  
6 Wed Forum Meeting, 10.30am-12.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, Kensish Town.  
16 Thu Preparing for Adulthood event, 10am-2.30pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, Kensish Town.  
20 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm @ Hampstead Heath.  
22 Wed Themed Forum Meeting, 10am-12am @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place Kensish Town.

**June**  
10 Mon CAMDEN Workshop, 12pm-1.15pm, Understanding and Managing Behaviour, children up to age 8 years. Online.  
12 Wed Coffee Morning, 10.30am-11.30am @ Greenwood Centre, Kensish Town.  
17 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm, @ Hampstead Heath.  
20 Mon Total communication (speech & language) workshop @ 10am-12pm Online via Zoom (booking required).

**July**  
1 Mon Yoga & Lunch, 12pm-2pm @ Kensish Town, Gungahpekkoral Church, Kelly Street.  
3 Wed Coffee Morning, 10.30am-11.30am @ Greenwood Centre, Kensish Town.  
8 Mon Walk and Talk, 10.15am-12.30pm, @ Hampstead Heath.  
9 Mon Themed Forum Meeting, 10.30am-12am @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place Kensish Town.  
Forum summer lunch, 12pm-2pm @ Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place Kensish Town.  
16 Tue

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## Introduction to SEND workshop

For Camden parents & carers of children and young people, up to the age of 25 with additional needs.

# SPECIAL NEEDS

**When:** Tuesday 23rd April, 10:30am – 12:00pm  
**Where:** Greenwood Centre, 37 Greenwood Place, NW5 1LB

**We will cover.....**

- Definitions used within special educational needs and disability.
- Education processes for children or young people with SEND.
- Educational legislation and resources.
- Where to seek further advice and guidance.

This very informative session will be delivered by Julie Ridgway who is the manager for Camden SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service).

To book onto this session please contact:  
Aisha on 07385 003 662 or email [Aisha.mohammed@kids.org.uk](mailto:Aisha.mohammed@kids.org.uk) OR Natasha on 07711 707 258 or email [Natasha.burgess@kids.org.uk](mailto:Natasha.burgess@kids.org.uk)

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**NHS**

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

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**get checked out**

**Check up** Ask your GP for a free annual health check

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**Family Hubs Camden**

**SENDIASS**  
Information Advice & Support Service

## 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).

Harmond Children's Centre, Family Hub & Nursery, 1 Forge Place, Ferdinand Street, NW1 8DQ	9:30 am to 12 pm	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2024
Regents Park Children's Centre, Family Hub & Nursery, Augustus Street, NW1 3TJ	9:30 am to 12 pm	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2024

For more information please contact SENDIASS at [sendiass@camden.gov.uk](mailto:sendiass@camden.gov.uk) or Family Hubs at [familyhubs@camden.gov.uk](mailto:familyhubs@camden.gov.uk)

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