



## Weekly Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### General Updates

This week some of our younger pupils went on an exciting trip to the London Sea-Life Centre. The pupils loved exploring the huge underwater viewing areas, feeding the rays and meeting sharks, jellyfish and penguins.



### Arundel Residential

Our older pupils were back at school following a residential trip to Arundel. They have had a wonderful time learning lots of new skills and developing their independence. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed being in the outdoors and trying lots of new activities under the guidance of expertly trained staff



### Andria Zafirakou, Global Teacher of the Year

On Tuesday evening, the school welcomed Andria Zafirakou, the winner of the Global Teacher of the Year award, to speak to trainee teachers, newly qualified teachers, existing teachers and leaders. Andria has launched her charity, 'Artists in Residence', which will connect artists with schools in disadvantaged communities. Swiss Cottage is very proud that it is one of Andria's chosen schools to pilot the project.

For more information please visit this web link:

<http://www.artistsinresidence.org.uk/>



### **Resources for Autism**

One of our parents has brought us news of a great charity, 'Resources for Autism', who have proved a lifeline for so many families. They have been shortlisted, out of 7,000 funded projects, to the final 7 organisations which have a chance to win the Big Lottery Health Project Award. If you would like to support their nomination, please vote for them via this link:

<http://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/project/resources-autism-0>

### **Parent Council – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

The last meeting of our Parent Council for the school year will take place on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00 am – all welcome!

### **End of Year Progress Meetings, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

During the week of 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> July, teachers will be inviting parents and carers to end of year progress meetings. This is a chance to discuss your child's progress of the year, meet the new class teacher and talk about plans for next year.

### **Last day of term – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July, pupils finish at 1.30 pm**

On the last day of school, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July, pupils will be finishing school at 1.30 pm.

We also have new terms dates for the new school year starting in September. These can be found on the school's website <http://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/for-parents/term-dates/> and are also shown below.

Best wishes,

Monika Gaweda, Head of School

## Dates for your Diaries

### Autumn Term 2018

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 – staff Professional Learning Day – school closed to pupils**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 – first day for pupils

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – Last day of half term for pupils

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – staff Professional Learning Day – school closed to pupils**

**Half Term Break: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – first day of half term for pupils

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 – staff Professional Learning Day – school closed to pupils**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 – Last day of term for pupils

**Winter Break: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019**



### Spring Term 2019

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – staff Professional Learning Day – school closed to pupils**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – first day for pupils

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – last day of half term for pupils

**Half Term Break: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – first day for pupils

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Last day of term for pupils

**Spring Break: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019**



### Summer Term 2019

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 – first day for pupils

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – last day of half term for pupils

**Half Term Break: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> may 2019**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – staff Professional Learning Day – school closed to pupils**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – first day for pupils

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 – last day of term for pupils and end of Academic Year