

Weekly Newsletter: Thursday 22nd November 2018

Dear Parents, Carers, and Families,

Charity Fundraising during December

This December, we will be working with our students to support a number of important charities and we would love your support.

The Salvation Army is running a Christmas Present Appeal to collect gifts for those children who otherwise wouldn't receive a present at this time of year. The school would welcome any donations of unwrapped toys and gifts between 3rd December and 14th December. We will then work to distribute these to The Salvation Army who will wrap and gift them to children in need across London and the UK. Any donations can be left in the school reception. More details of the appeal are available [here](#).

On Friday 14th December we will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Learners and staff are all encouraged to wear their brightest, wackiest festive jumpers for the small donation of £2. The money we raise will go towards supporting the broad range of projects that Save the Children undertakes to improve the lives of vulnerable children across the UK and internationally. Donations will be collected through your class teams. You can find out more information about their projects [here](#).



Festive Cards Sale

Students across the school have also been using their artistic talents to create a range of Season's Greetings cards which will be sold in support of our own school charity. There are fabulous designs this year. They are £3 for a pack of 5 (1 of each card design). Cards will be available from next week to purchase at reception, all profits go to fund resources through the school charity.



Supporting the School Charity

You can raise money for the school charity when you do online shopping. All you need to do is link to the retail website via the school link for your shopping. There are a number of online shopping companies on our website, including Amazon, Boots, Trainline, Ticketmaster, Cineworld, and more! Let your friends, family, and work colleagues know as well!

Please use this link <http://swisscottage.camden.sch.uk/give-as-you-live/> which is located on the school website under 'Support Us' and 'Give as you live'. Every pound goes towards school resources, so please spread the word. This is available throughout the year!

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HOME OUR SCHOOL FOR PARENTS LEARNING SUPPORT US

Give As You Live

Raise money for Swiss Cottage School Charity with the click of a button. Each time you use the link below to go shopping online, you are raising money for our school charity. Every £ counts! Share this with friends, families, colleagues, and your community to raise funding for special educational needs.

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| Amazon | Boots | John Lewis | Itunes |
| Argos | Mothercare | Superdrug | Waterstones |
| Trainline | Expedia | Booking.com | National Express |
| M&S | Currys | Interflora | Cineworld |
| Build a Bear | New Look | Hamleys | Wowcher |
| Groupon | Very | Ebay | Audible |
| Etsy | Wall Street Journal | Apple | Early Learning Centre |

More shops are located within this weblink to support Swiss Cottage School
Charity: www.giveasyoulive.com/search/stores

Visit from the Dentist

In late November and early December the community dentist will be visiting to provide an in-school inspection service for your children. The service is optional and consent forms will be provided through your class teams in which you can opt in or out. The aim of this visit is to briefly look at your child's teeth to see if there are any dental problems that might require treatment. This brief inspection does not replace a full check-up by your child's regular dentist.

The visiting dates are the 29th November and 5th, 6th and 13th of December 2018.

Please look out for the consent forms in your child's school diaries.



Swiss Cottage School's Annual
Winter Concerts
DECEMBER 17-20, 2018

Lower School Concert:
Monday 17th December, Sports Hall, 11am
(Snapdragon, Pansy, Bluebell, Jasmine, Tulip, Dandelions, Violet, Sunflower, Lotus & Buttercup)

Early Years Concert:
Monday 17th December, Drama Studio, 2pm
(Snowdrop, Poppy, Rose, Lily & Daffodils)

Upper School Concert 1:
Thursday 20th December, Sports Hall, 10.30am
(Anne Frank, Stephen Hawking, Roald Dahl, JK Rowling, David Attenborough & Jonas Salk)

Upper School Concert 2:
Thursday 20th December, Sports Hall, 2pm
(Yousafzai Malala, Post-16, Bill Gates, Mary Seacole & The School Band)

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Winter Concerts Reminder

A reminder that in the final week of this term, students from across the school will come together to share some of their creative work in a series of Winter Concerts.

There are four concerts grouped together by age and stage within the school. Parent, carers and families are all welcome and you will be receiving an invite with specific details of which day to attend via your class teams next week.

Classes have begun to prepare some festive music, movement and drama which they very much hope you will enjoy.

Safe Haven Basketball sessions

We would like to draw your attention to this great opportunity for your children to keep active and make new friends in a weekly basketball club taking place in the community.

The club is open to all young people with learning disabilities and special educational needs ages 12 to 25. The nearest venue is at Little Venice Sports Centre with weekly, term-time meetings taking place on Mondays from 5.00pm to 6.00pm.

For more information please see the details on the flyer or visit their Facebook page @safehavenbasketball.



SAFE HAVEN BASKETBALL

We are
A LEARNING DISABILITY BASKETBALL CLUB
Open to all 12 to 25 year olds

COME AND JOIN US FOR
SPORT,
FRIENDS AND FUN
NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

WHEN AND WHERE

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| WESTMINSTER CLUB Mondays 5.00 to 6.00pm During termtime At Little Venice Sports Centre 10 Crompton Street, W2 1ND | HACKNEY CLUB Tuesdays 5.15 to 6.15pm During termtime At Kings Hall Leisure Centre 39 Lower Clapton Road, E5 0NU |
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YOUR FIRST SESSION IS FREE
ALL ABILITIES
TO FIND OUT MORE
Facebook: @safehavenbasketball
Or contact
Emma on 07813778409
Or email emmacolverd@safehavenbasketball.co.uk

Networks for Minors
BASKETBALL ENGLAND
Special Olympics
London

Camden Special Parents Forum

A reminder that Camden Special Parents Forum will be holding a special Hampstead Walk and Talk next Tuesday 27th November with guests Karen Flanagan, Head of SEN and Becca Dove, Head of Family Support and Complex Families in Camden. They invite you to join them for this get-together and informal chat with some of Camden's key figures in SEN provision. More details are available [here](#).

Comfy Friday

The very last day of term this year is Friday 21st December. To end the term in a cosy, fun (and hopefully warm) fashion - staff and students are invited to wear their comfiest pyjamas or onesies to school on this day.

Please note the final Friday of term is a full day with a normal finishing time of 3.30pm.

The school will be closed to pupils on Monday 7th January for a staff professional development day. Students will return to school on Tuesday 8th January.

Spring term dates run as follows:

Tuesday, 8th January 2019 – First day for pupils

Friday, 15th February 2019 – Last day of half term for pupils

Half Term Break - Monday, 18th February to Friday, 22nd February 2019

Monday, 25th February 2019 – First day for pupils

Friday, 5th April 2019 – Last day of term Spring Term for pupils

Spring Break - Monday, 8th April to Monday, 22nd April 2019

Best wishes,

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Head of School

Catherine Shipton
Deputy Head of School