24 June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

# Sawston Village College

# Principal: Mr J P Russell

# **Weekly Round-Up**

A relatively quiet week with just three year groups in school and the excitement and buzz of Activities Week behind us. However, it has been a momentous week for our Y11 pupils as they reach the conclusion of the exam series with just History and Russian left to sit early next week. For many, this means they have sat all of their exams and can look forward to a truly relaxing weekend with much to celebrate. We'd like to thank them for all for their hard work and effort throughout, and look forward to celebrating with them at the Prom. Our Y10s will be returning next week after work experience. It will be lovely to see them back and to see how well they take on the mantle of being our senior pupils; we think they will do us all proud, just as they have done during their placements.

# **New Catering Contract**

We are pleased to announce that we will have a new catering provider from September 2022. Anglian Learning has been working since autumn 2021 on appointing a single catering partner to work across all schools. Following a formal tendering process *Innovate* has been selected from a strong field and will start delivering a high quality food offer in September 2022, supported by existing staff and a number of new appointments. We shall be sure to share parent feedback from the recent survey with the new company to ensure that provision is as good as it should be with a greater range of healthy choices.

As well as the quality of food, an important focus in awarding the contract was sustainability. Innovate will be working hard to reduce packaging and will work with staff, parents and pupils to reduce food waste and with our site teams to ensure that the waste that does remain is managed effectively to minimise our carbon emissions. Alongside capital investment in a number of school kitchens, Innovate is also creating a social impact fund for each academy, empowering pupils to make a difference in their local communities. We will share more on what catering will look like in the autumn in the coming weeks.

### **NEW Biometrics and Cards**

In September, we shall be reintroducing biometric fingerprints as an alternative to using catering cards. We intend to enable pupils to use either and will give more information at a later date.

### **NEW** HPV Vaccinations for Year 8

A reminder for Year 8 pupils who have consent for the HPV vaccination, the Immunisation Team will be with us on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June.** 













If you have not already given consent but wish to do so, please follow the instructions on the attached letter <a href="here">here</a>. If you have already completed the form, you do not need to resubmit it.

If you have any queries Please contact the immunisation team on: **0300 555 5055** or email: **ccs-tr.cambsimmsteam@nhs.net** 

### **NEW Y10 CEIAG Post-16 T-levels**

You may or not be familiar with the new T-Level vocational qualification for 16-19 year olds. Whilst there is a very limited offer in the local area, the DfE is keen to promote this new qualification which has been designed with over 250 leading employers. The Secretary of State has written an open letter to all Y10 parents nationally which can be read <a href="here">here</a>. All pupils in Year 11 will be given information, advice and guidance about all pathways available to them.

# **NEW Paint needed for school garden**

If you have any leftover paint from projects, or sample tins of paint, please consider donating this to the school garden project. We will be using it to upcycle things like old tyres into planters, and refurbishing garden furniture. Old paint brushes would also be welcome. Please email Jasmine Grogan at <a href="mailto:jgrogan@sawstonvc.org">jgrogan@sawstonvc.org</a> or Sarah Bär at <a href="mailto:sbar@sawstonvc.org">sbar@sawstonvc.org</a>.

# **NEW RLSS National Pool Lifeguard Qualification**

Lifeguards benefit from varied working hours, which can easily fit around other commitments, the experience of working within a team, and the opportunity to progress within the leisure industry.

Course  $-17^{th} - 22^{nd}$  July (must be aged 16+ on the date of the assessment) Cost - £250 for SVC pupils Please contact sawston@anglianleisure.co.uk for further information.

### **COMMUNITY** Cambridge Maths School: Section 10 consultation

Eastern Learning Alliance, in partnership with the University of Cambridge, is opening Cambridge Maths School, a specialist sixth from centre catering for students across the whole of East Anglia. They are running a consultation to provide more information on the project as well as collect your views. Should you wish to find out more about the school, there will be drop-in consultation meetings and they have prepared an introductory video should you not be able to make it to one of these meetings. This consultation ends on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Any responses received after this date will not be considered in the survey. If you are interested to give you feedback, the information can be found <a href="here.">here.</a>

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Have an enjoyable weekend,

Jonathan Russell