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Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round-Up

Tonight, we celebrate with our Y11s with the full return of our Prom. They have worked so hard and gone through so much, which makes it doubly special to mark their formal departure from SVC in style. We hope it is enjoyed by all. It comes at the end of a busy and rewarding week: our KS3 musicians performed with aplomb at their annual concert; the cheerleading squad have been participating in the 'Schools Out' Future Cheer competition in Bournemouth, we welcomed our very polite new Year 7 cohort and their parents during our two day Induction events; and our Year 10s enjoyed a terrific, one-man show, '*Numinous*'; a humorous look at the life and times of Henry Morris.

Yesterday, the Henry Morris Memorial Trust hosted a centenary conference to celebrate his works and to explore his legacy. The attendees explored adult education, the arts and a shared commitment to community values. Miss Jackson's presentation on teaching local history was very well received. In a week in which we have said goodbye to one year group and welcomed in another, it is poignant to be reminded of why we do what we do – to transform lives through education, prepare young people to be positive members of their community and equip them with the skills, knowledge and understanding to live their best lives.

NEW Covid

As with many schools and reflecting the national context, we are experiencing a rise in Covid-19 cases. We would encourage everyone to remain vigilant and continue to exercise good hand hygiene, use tissues to *catch it, kill it, bin it* and stay at home if feeling unwell and symptomatic.

NEW Outdoor Gig

The Outdoor Gig will take place on Fountain Court on Friday 8th July at 5.30 pm. Tickets are free but we would ask you to book so we can have an idea of numbers

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sawstoncinema/t-dvanvrxr>



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[NEW Sweeney Todd](#)

Pupils are busy rehearsing for their production of Sweeney Todd which takes to the stage in the Marven Centre, 13th – 16th July. Tickets are available to purchase now. Go to: www.sawstoncinema.org.uk, look for the Buy Tickets tab, click on that and you will be taken through to a page where you can select which performance you would like to see.

[NEW Request for old carpet - Eco Club](#)

Eco Club is in need of old carpet and large carpet offcuts (any condition) to cover compost and to suppress weeds on unplanted beds over the summer break in the garden we are creating. If anyone has carpet they could donate please contact Jasmine Grogan jgrogan@sawstonvc.org or Sarah Bär sbar@sawstonvc.org.

[NEW Y11 NCS IAG Advice for parents and pupils](#)

Throughout the summer, the National Careers Service is running a series of webinars for parents and carers of young people who are expecting their exam results this August. They will be able to learn more about how to support their children with advice about choices and careers, including useful information sources, advice for results day and a Q&A with a panel of experts. Sign up using the [webinars schedule](#). The East of England webinars are on 27th July and 9th August 9th.

[NEW National Book Tokens](#)

National Book Tokens are giving five schools £1,000 of National Book Tokens each, plus membership to the School Library Association, to help them rebuild their range of books and encourage reading for pleasure now and for generations to come.

You can nominate Sawston Village College using the form on the link below, and if we are one of the five winning entries, you will also win a £100 National Book Token for yourself! Winners will be drawn at random after Friday 29th July and announced in September 2022. <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

[THANKS Parent/Carer Support for the Year 8 'What's My Line?' sessions on Monday 11th July](#)

Thank you very much to all of the parents/carers who have responded to the request by Mr Burgess for support with the year 8 'What's My Line?' event. We have had an overwhelming response and now have a full quota of volunteers. Mr Burgess will be in touch with all parents/carers who have responded early next week to let you know more information about the event. Thank you.

[NICE TO KNOW Jubilee Cup](#)

Last week, on Wednesday afternoon our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10's took part in the Jubilee Cup at Wilberforce Road Athletics Track on a smouldering hot day. Our girls and boys took part and competed in a range of track and field events against ten other schools. We could not have been more proud of their performance, effort and sportsmanship throughout. Sawston

finished third overall which is an outstanding achievement against some very strong schools. Really well done to everyone involved! Individual winners: Molly Smith (Y7, 100m and discus), Cam Dishaw (Y7, 100m), Oliver Seaborn (Y7, 1500m), Zach Summerlee (Y7, shot putt), Ted Silk (Y7, Javelin), Ned Jones (Y8, Triple Jump), Aymeric Tsyganov-Bodounov (Y9, Hurdles) and Thomas Moody-Tipping (Y10, 200m).

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Wishing you a relaxing weekend,

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