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Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round-Up

Thank you for supporting our non-uniform day in aid of giving racism the 'red card'. This week we have been celebrating the successes of our young people in our House assemblies. So many different pupils have been recognised for their achievements, their hard work and their contribution to the wider community. We wish our Y11s the best of luck with their revision for the forthcoming mock exams which start on Wednesday 2nd November. Hopefully, like everyone else, they will also find time to enjoy their well-deserved half-term break.

NEW SVC Newsletter

This half term's newsletter is now available to read on our website here

NEW School Transport - Letter from the LA re Stagecoach

You can read the letter here.

Please note that none of the routes to Sawston are affected but please find here a letter from the Director of Education, Jonathan Lewis, regarding the withdrawal of services by Stagecoach. The Citi7, which is the only school bus run by Stagecoach, is not affected.

REMINDER Show Racism the Red Card: non-uniform day contributions

Pupils and staff showed their support to the educational charity 'Show Racism the Red Card' today at school by wearing red on our non-uniform day. The aim of this charity is to combat racism through education and enabling role models to present an anti-racist message to young people and others. Parents and carers are still able to make a donation of £1 via Wisepay if you would like to do so. Thank you for all of the money raised so far for this excellent cause.

REMINDER Y11 Mock Exams

All year 11 pupils should have received their individual mock exam timetables last week to support them with planning revision. Thank you to all parents who attended the year 11 Information Evening on the 3rd October. All presentations from the evening are available on the College website at:
https://sawstonvc.org/information-evenings/

This includes 3 presentations to support pupils with revision for the three core subjects: Maths, English and Science. Last week Mr Burgess also sent all year 11 parents [this document](#), sharing the top two revision resources for each subject. There are also lots of revision resources for each subject available on the pupil drive.

COMMUNITY '**Mumneedarest': Free childcare event to support single mums**

Anglian Learning's I3 Parent Hub is hosting a free event that creates an opportunity for parents especially mums, both single and married, to take out time to have a rest. They can choose to do anything that gives them peace and rest, while the children are at the event. This will take place at Netherhall on Saturday 29th October at 11am-5pm. More information available [here](#).

NICE TO KNOW **DofE Weekend.**

We had 77 participants from our Y10 cohort who successfully completed their qualifying expedition in Thetford over the past weekend (15-16 October). This half term, we have run three DofE weekends and qualified a total of 156 participants from our Y11 and Y10 cohorts combined. By doing so we have now made up the gap of a lost year of training in 2020 due to COVID and have ensured that the Bronze Award has been offered to each of our year groups. So far this calendar year we've had 26 participants who have completed their Bronze Award and we have many others who are now well on the way to completing theirs.

DATES FOR NEXT HALF-TERM

- 3rd November   Y10 Information Evening
- 15th November   Y7 Assessment and Reporting Information Evening
- 17th November   Non-uniform Day: Children In Need
- 18th November   COLLEGE CLOSED: Staff Training Day
- 21st November   Y8 & Y9 Shakespeare Schools Evening
- 1st December   Y10 WEX Information Evening
- 8th December   Y11 Parents' Evening
- 19th December   Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
- 20th December   Great St Mary's Carol Service

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Have a lovely half-term,

Jonathan Russell