

8 September 2023



**Sawston**  
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Weekly Round-Up**

What a glorious week of weather in which to start school, although we probably might all have preferred the sun to have shone in the holidays. Pupils have returned with a great attitude and begun the term really well; thank you for all you have done to prepare them for the start of the year. We are particularly proud of our Year 8 Housemates who came in on Monday to help support our new intake – they were so kind. Next week, we have our Freshers' Fair to encourage all pupils, especially those new to the College, to join a club and get involved in the life of the College.

### **NEW Year 8 and Year 9 Vaccinations- change to calendar dates**

We have been informed that the calendared HPV vaccination for Year 8 and the Men/DTP vaccination for Year 9 have been rescheduled. This is due to the government prioritising the Flu and Covid vaccination. The new dates are: HPV (Year 8) 5 March 2024 and Men/DTP (Year 9) 2 February 2024.

### **NEW Uniform**

Thankfully temperatures are forecast to cool down next week. With this cooler weather, we request that pupils are only wearing shorts, skirts and trousers which adhere to our uniform policy. Whilst we have taken a more pragmatic approach to these items given the heat this week, we will not accept sports shorts, skirts made from stretchy/clingy material, nor those which are very short on Monday. We are grateful for your support in ensuring that your child is not wearing any of these items

### **NEW Freshers' Fair**

Our annual Freshers' Fair takes place on Tuesday which will provide pupils in all year groups with the opportunity to get a flavour of all of the clubs and extra-curricular activities on offer here at SVC. Year 7 will spend part of their period 5 lesson at the Fair so they can sign-up for the clubs taking place this term. We are very proud of our extra-curricular offer; with over ninety different clubs and activities there is something for everyone and we encourage all of our new Year 7 pupils to get involved.

### **NEW Grade 5 Music Theory**

Those wishing to register their children for the Grade 5 Music Theory Course can now find more information and registration details on the [school website](#).



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### **[NEW](#) School Preference Advisor for Cambridgeshire**

A Parents' School Preference Adviser for Cambridgeshire has recently been appointed. The service offers families advice and support when applying for schools. They are able to advise how the transfer and admissions process works, as well as supporting the understanding of policies and criteria for different schools. They can support in the appeals process and issues concerning transport. The appointed adviser is Tiff Christian, and their email address is [Choosingaschool@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Choosingaschool@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) .

### **[COMMUNITY](#) Development Hockey Training**

Cambridge City Hockey Club are running weekly training sessions on Tuesdays from 6.30pm – 7.30pm at Wilberforce Road Sports Ground. For further information, please follow [this](#) link.

### **[COMMUNITY](#) Shelford RFC, Girls Rugby Open Day**

Shelford Rugby Club are holding a Girls Rugby Open Day on Sunday 10 September from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm. For further details, please follow [this](#) link.

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Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Jonathan Russell