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Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round-Up

The Olympics is already over! Sawston Olympics that is – good luck, Paris. The last of three very successful KS3 Olympic Days took place on Wednesday with the overall winners proving to be Mandela. The overall House Cup for 2024 has been won by Turing. Congratulations to all involved. Although tinged with sadness, as we've said goodbye to departing colleagues, it's been an exciting week and not just because of the pending holiday: our celebration assemblies and special events, Cinema Club premiere, Hunstanton Field Trip, Sawston Fun Run Presentation Evening, Staff vs Pupil Volleyball match to name a few. But now, we have reached the end of a glorious year and time for a very well deserved break. Thanks for all of your support throughout. We hope you have a wonderful summer and look forward to the safe return of everybody in September. Enjoy!

IMPORTANT Start of the new academic year

The autumn term will start on Thursday 5th September for pupils in year 7 and 11 and for all other year groups on Friday 6th September. School buses will be running from Thursday 5 September.

NEW Summer Safeguarding

Pastoral and Safeguarding staff will not be working on site over the summer. Urgent safeguarding concerns should be directed to safeguarding@anglianlearning.org.

If you are worried about the safety and wellbeing of a child, call Cambridgeshire Children's Social Care on 0345 045 5203.

Pupils were also reminded in assemblies this week that they have access to Childline over the summer break should they need help or support, on 0800 1111. Equally, both pupils and parents/carers can find a list of useful mental health services on the college website here: https://sawstonvc.org/parents/wellbeing/

NEW Newsletter and Fountain

Our final newsletter of the year with staff news and updates from departments can be found on our website here: https://sawstonvc.org/category/newsletter/. You can also find the summer edition of our Fountain magazine, the first to be produced by our new Senate Ambassadors, and a bumper read at 44 pages, here: https://sawstonvc.org/category/the-fountain/.













NEW Anglian Learning Arts News

Please find below the first issue of the Anglian Learning Arts News, a termly update featuring some of the arts activities in which schools across Anglian Learning have been engaging.

AL Arts News Template (anglianlearning.org).

NEW Cinema Club

Congratulations to our pupil filmmakers who put on a wonderful film showcase at their redcarpet premiere event this week. The films shown at this event will shortly be uploaded to the Sawston Cinema website and will be available to watch

here: https://sawstoncinema.org/cinema-club/our-films/.

NEW Arts Award

This week we received a certificate from Trinity College London, recognising the school as a Trinity Champion Centre for Arts Award 2024-25. This coincides with our entering over 200 Year 7 pupils' work for the Bronze Arts Award and 10 Year 8 pupils' work for the Silver Arts Award, with more Silver Arts Award work due to be ready for moderation in September.

NEW Getting Ready for Change – Health Questionnaire - Year 9

Local NHS clinicians have created an online health questionnaire that can be your 'Getting Ready for Change' checklist and help you to understand the health of your child as they move through secondary school. This invitation goes out to parents and carers living in Cambridgeshire or Peterborough who have a child aged 13-14 years.

It covers lots of points from hearing and eyesight through to emotional health and behaviour. You can complete it on your mobile device or laptop. After answering just seven questions a summary report will be produced for you with links to helpful information and support.

You can access the questionnaire by using this link: https://portal.cambspborocyphs.nhs.uk/GRfC/Year9

REMINDER Y11 Results Day

The College will be open from 8.30am to 10.30am on Thursday 22 August for Year 11 parents and pupils to collect their examination results. Results will then be emailed to all Year 11s using their SVC email account and uncollected results slips will be posted home.

NICE TO KNOW Sawston Cinema

We enjoyed NT Live's *Present Laughter* in the Marven Centre last night, our final screening of this academic year. Our screening programme will kick off again after the summer break with an encore showing of NT Live's *Prima Facie*, starring Jodie Comer, on 12th September. Check out the website -https://sawstoncinema.org/ - for more information and to see the programme as it is updated.

COMMUNITY Summer at Saffron Screen

Saffron Screen is a local independent cinema based in Saffron Walden. They will be open Thursdays to Mondays throughout the summer holidays They will be showing a <u>variety of</u>

<u>films</u>, including blockbusters, independent, Arts on Screen, foreign language and documentaries, and parking is free!

Saffron Screen have recently launched a Student Membership, details of which can be found here.

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Wishing you a marvellous summer holiday,

Jonathan Russell