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**Sawston
Village College**

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round-Up

It's been a week of settling in and getting into the rhythms of school life again. Pupils have risen to this challenge and deserve an enjoyable weekend to re-energise. Our Freshers' Fair was a buzz of activity and we were thrilled to see so many pupils sign up for the clubs. It may only be the end of the first full week of this academic year, however, our first Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition is already underway. Twenty six of our year 11 pupils, supported by several members of staff, are currently in the Peak District on their qualifying expedition for the Silver Award. We wish them well for the successful completion of their assessed venture.

NEW WisePay catering accounts

If your child uses the food outlets in school, we encourage you to check the balance on their WisePay catering account and top up if necessary. Pupils are not able to go overdrawn at the till; if your child does not have sufficient funds on their account, they will be asked to come to reception to call home for a top up. If necessary, reception can issue a note for one day to allow your child to have lunch- this will then be charged onto their WisePay account once it is in credit. If you need help accessing WisePay, or wish to set a daily spend cap, please email finance@sawstonvc.org.

NEW Free School Meals

Information from Innovate, our school catering provider, was sent to parents of pupils eligible for free school meals earlier this week. This information can also be found [here](#) please see the download link at the bottom of the page for meal deal ideas.

NEW Tempest photography proofs

Proofs of individual Y7 and Y11 photographs were distributed in mentor time today. Please order online using the information on the proof.

NEW Parent Support Group (Neurodivergent children)

The SEND department will be hosting a monthly support group for parents/carers of neurodivergent children who attend the College. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 1 October from 7pm to 8.30pm. Please contact Mrs Horlock on shorlock@sawstonvc.org to express interest in attending.

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Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Jonathan Russell



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