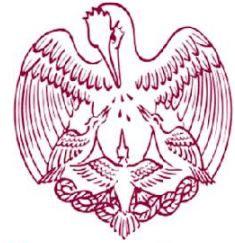


13 December 2024



**Sawston**  
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Weekly Round-Up – December 13th**

Well done to all involved in the Christmas Craft sale raising £115 towards completion of our Refresh Wellbeing Garden. Christmas is in the air, with rehearsals in full swing for the Carol Service next Thursday. As you will read below, festivities start next week which ends with a shortened day for pupils on Friday 20th December.

#### **IMPORTANT End of term arrangements**

We will be closing early at 12.20 pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December to enable staff to prepare for next term and celebrate Christmas together. Pupils will have lessons as normal at mentor time, period 1 and period 2. During an extended period 3, pupils will be in mentor bases to enjoy and compete in the Inter-house Christmas Quiz 2024. Break will be as normal with all catering facilities open but we will not be providing lunch for pupils. School buses will leave at 12.35 pm. School uniform as normal.

There is no After-School Study Support Club on the last day of term and all school transport will have left at 12.35 pm. All pupils are expected to leave the site, which remains closed at all times to pupils during the holidays.

#### **NEW New menu for the Spring term**

The new Spring 2025 menu can be viewed [here](#).

#### **NEW Anglian Leisure - First Aid course for SVC pupils**

The Sports Centre is excited to offer a new after-school First Aid course from January, open to all pupils in years 7-11. The course will take place on Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm and will cover a wide range of first aid skills, including basic first aid, recovery position and how to perform CPR. The course is £60.00 and will run for 10 weeks starting from 14th January. For more information or to book please contact the Sports Centre reception [sawston@anglianleisure.co.uk](mailto:sawston@anglianleisure.co.uk) or 01223 712555

#### **REMINDER Christmas Jumper Day**

Pupils are invited to wear a Christmas jumper in place of their school sweatshirt on Wednesday 18th December. Instead of a monetary donation, we are asking that pupils donate an item for the Christmas Give collections for Jimmy's or John Huntingdon's Charity Food Bank.



### **REMINDER Pupil Christmas Lunch**

On Wednesday 18th December our pupil Christmas lunch will take place in the Dining Hall. Tickets are now sold out, due to space limitations. Purchased tickets may be collected from reception at break or lunchtime. The other catering outlets will be open and serving a range of food, as usual.

### **REMINDER GCSEs in Chinese; Turkish and Russian in summer 2025**

A letter regarding the provision we are making for pupils in Y9 to Y11 to sit GCSEs in Chinese (spoken Cantonese and spoken Mandarin), Turkish and Russian in summer 2025 was sent out earlier this week.

If you would like your child to sit one of the above GCSEs , please email the Exams Officers at [examsofficer@sawstonvc.org](mailto:examsofficer@sawstonvc.org) with your child's name, mentor group and year group stating which language they are to be entered for, and confirming payment on Wisepay.

### **NICE TO KNOW Bake, plant and craft sale**

This week the Eco and Refresh Garden Clubs held a bake, plant and craft sale to raise funds for the school Refresh Garden. The crafts were made by pupils from both clubs using repurposed materials and herbs from the garden. Plants had been potted up by the garden club. There was fantastic support from pupils and staff alike and £115 was raised. Refresh Garden club members will meet in the New Year to decide how to spend the funds for the garden.

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Wishing you a restful weekend,

Jonathan Russell